Students should attend 4 conferences over 4 years: WVAHPERD is offered each Fall; AAHPERD each Spring.

Candidates must take WV-required PRAXIS I tests: candidates must pass them according to WV Cut-off Scores in order to be admitted to the Program. WV-passing scores must be achieved and reported directly to the Education Department’s Office before completing the 445/470/472/473 Block – i.e. they are prerequisites to Student Teaching.

Education (Required Courses)

EDUC 203 Human Development
    (FR Fall/Spring) 3 credits

SPED 207 Exceptionalities and Diversities
    (FR Fall) 3 credits

SPED 208 The Special Education Process (not req. if PHED 333 completed)
    (FR Spring) 3 credits

SOCI 210 Human Diversity
    (SO Spring) 3 credits

EDUC 242 Professional Principles
    (FR Spring/SO Fall) 3 credits

EDUC 282 Instructional Technology
    (SO Fall) 3 credits

EDUC 295 Multicultural Field Experience
    (SO Fall) NC

PSYC 100 General Psychology
    (SO Spring) 4 credits

EDUC 348 Classroom Discipline and Instruction
    (JR Spring) 3 credits

RDNG 376 Content Area Literacy
    (SO Spring) 3 credits

Student Teaching Block:

EDUC 445 Professional Issues in Education
    (SR Fall/Spring) 4 credits

EDUC 470/471 Clinical Practice and Student Teaching I and II
    (SR Fall/Spring) 8 credits

EDUC 472 Student Teaching Seminar
    (SR Fall/Spring) 2 credits

EDUC 473 Philosophy of Education
    (SR Fall/Spring) 2 credits

Requirements for a Bethany BA degree include the following:

First-Year Experience
    (FR Fall & J-Term) 7 credits

College Writing
    (FR Fall) 3 credits

Introduction to Religion
    (FR Fall/Spring) 3 credits

Creative Arts
    (SR Spring) 3 credits

The Bethany Fitness/Physical Activity Requirement
    (FR Fall & Spring) 2 credits

World Languages and Culture Requirement
    (FR Fall/Spring) 8 credits

Liberal Arts Core

Contemporary Society and Institutions
    (FR Fall)

Culture Awareness (SOCI 210)
    (SO Fall)

Human Behavior (EDUC 203)
    (JR Fall)

International Understanding
    (SR Fall)

Life Science (PSYC 100, PHED 327)
    (SR Spring)

Literature
    (FR Spring)

Mathematical Understanding
    (SO Spring)

Aesthetic Awareness & Creativity (SO Spring)

Physical Science
    (JR Spring)

The Western Tradition (PHED 244)
    (SR Spring)

1 Requirement may be met by through comparable Red Cross instruction.

2 Counts as one of the two 3CR SPED courses required per certification area by WV.

3 In the semester of taking EDUC 242, candidates must take WV-required PRAXIS I tests; they must pass them according to WV Cut-off Scores in order to be admitted to the Program. WV-passing scores must be achieved and reported directly to the Education Department’s Office before enrolling in EDUC 348.

Bethany College does not currently offer a health education certification track therefore, graduation from BC will not enable you to be certified to teach Health in West Virginia. For those interested in teaching health in other states, it is recommended that you position yourself to pass the PRAXIS II Health Content Examination by enrolling in the following courses: PHED 226 First Aid; HLTH 250 Community and Population Health; HLTH 251 School Health; PSYC 188 The Psychology of Death and Dying; PSYC 220 Health Psychology; INDT 204 Human Sexuality; and, SOWO 130 Drug and Alcohol Abuse. You should attempt to take at least one course per semester. States differ in their certification requirements. Check with the particular state department of education for its requirements or contact the Certification Specialist in the Education Department (education@bethanywv.edu). If you endeavor to teach health using an alternative route to certification request a placement which enables you to teach both health and physical education. BETHANY COLLEGE DOES NOT GUARANTEE STATE CERTIFICATION THROUGH COMPLETION OF THESE COURSES.