NORTHERN
STATE UNIVERSITY

Major: Career & Technical Education (CTE), BSEd (Bachelor of Science in Education)
2026-2027 4-Year Plan Guide
Major: 46 core credit hours, Cluster: 15-18 credit hours
Total Degree Requirements: 120 credit hours

Students are not limited to this plan; it is meant to be used as a guide for planning purposes in consultation with your advisor. The sample schedule is one possible path to completing your degree within four years. For official program requirements, please refer to the Undergraduate Catalog.

FIRST YEAR

Fall

Prefix + Number + Course Title	Major / General Education Requirements (SGR)	Credits
FYS 101 First Year Seminar	Major	2
EDFN 102 Introduction to Education, Human Values Course	Major	3
Social Science Course #1	SGR Goal 3: Social Science	3
ENGL 101 Composition I	SGR Goal 1: Written Communication	3
Mathematics Course (MATH 103 or higher)	SGR Goal 5: Mathematics	3
	Total Credit Hours:	**14**

Spring

Prefix + Number + Course Title	Major / General Education Requirements (SGR)	Credits
Fine Arts & Humanities Course #1	SGR Goal 4: Fine Arts and Humanities	3
Natural Science Course #1 (#1 or #2 must be a Biology course)	SGR Goal 6: Natural Science	3-4
ENGL 201 Composition II	SGR Goal 1: Written Communication	3
Social Science Course #2	SGR Goal 3: Social Science	3
SPED 100 Introduction to Persons w/ Exceptionalities	Major	3
	Total Credit Hours:	**15-16**

SECOND YEAR

Fall

Prefix + Number + Course Title	Major / General Education Requirements (SGR)	Credits
CMST 101 Foundations of Communication	SGR Goal 2: Oral Communication	3
EPSY 302 Educational Psychology	Major	3
EPSY 296 Field Experience	Major	0
Fine Arts & Humanities Course #2	SGR Goal 4: Fine Arts and Humanities	3
Content Cluster Course	Major	3
Elective or Minor Course	Elective	3
	Total Credit Hours:	**15**

Spring

Prefix + Number + Course Title	Major / General Education Requirements (SGR)	Credits
Natural Science Course #2 (#1 or #2 must be a Biology course)	SGR Goal 6: Natural Science	3-4
EPSY 428 Child & Adolescent Development	Major	3
Content Cluster Course	Major	3
Elective or Minor Course	Elective	3
Elective or Minor Course	Elective	3
	Total Credit Hours:	**15-16**

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THIRD YEAR

Fall

Prefix + Number + Course Title	Major / General Education Requirements (SGR)	Credits
CTE 400 Principles & Current Trends in CTE	Major	3
Content Cluster Course	Major	3
Content Cluster Course	Major	3
Elective or Minor Course	Elective	3
Elective or Minor Course	Elective	3
	Total Credit Hours:	**15**

Spring

Prefix + Number + Course Title	Major / General Education Requirements (SGR)	Credits
CTE 450 Work-Based Learning Program	Major	3
CTE 460 Elevating Content Literacy	Major	3
Content Cluster Course	Major	3
Content Cluster Course	Major	3
Elective or Minor Course	Elective	3
	Total Credit Hours:	**15**

FOURTH YEAR

Fall

Prefix + Number + Course Title	Major / General Education Requirements (SGR)	Credits
CTE 402 CTE Methods	Major	2
CTE 420 5-12 Philosophy & Pedagogy	Major	3
EDFN 440 Classroom Management	Major	3
Elective or Minor Course	Elective	3
Elective or Minor Course	Elective	3
CTE 496 Field Experience	Major	2
	Total Credit Hours:	**16**

Spring

Prefix + Number + Course Title	Major / General Education Requirements (SGR)	Credits
EDFN 472 School Law & Ethics	Major	2
SPED 441 Inclusive Methods for Diverse Learners	Major	2
INED 211/411 SD Indian Culture & Education/SD Indian Studies	Major	3
CTE 488 CTE Student Teaching	Major	6
	Total Credit Hours:	**13**

COMMENTS & NOTES

Notes:

*Content cluster courses yet to be developed