

School of Education

Teacher licensure at Virginia Tech is provided through Educator Preparation Programs at both the graduate and undergraduate level, depending on the endorsement area. Students will earn a B.S.Ed., B.A.Ed., M.A.Ed., or M.S.Ed. contingent on which program is pursued. Each of the educator preparation programs at Virginia Tech are fully approved by the Virginia Department of Education and the Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP).

If you are interested in obtaining a teaching license in Virginia, you should contact the Professional Advisor for Education and Human Development Majors, Dawn Knight (dknight1@vt.edu). She can guide you in the selection of the most appropriate undergraduate major and path to licensure based on your teaching interest. We also provide opportunities for student organization leadership, volunteer classroom experiences, and licensure test preparation materials.

The following information is intended to help you choose the right undergraduate major based on what you want to teach. Within your undergraduate program, it is important to plan carefully so that you also meet the Virginia licensure requirements for the selected subject area. Additional majors can be considered for any area but would require specific additional coursework in the licensure content area.

Please contact the Professional Advisor for Education and Human Development Majors, for the most current information about licensure, or to discuss teaching areas not listed below. For undergraduate majors listed below see the major's courses recommendations by major in this guide for more information.

*Undergraduate majors available fall 2022

If you want to teach this:	Then you might major in this:
*Agriculture, 6-12	Agricultural Science and/or CTE Agricultural Education
Business, 6-12	Business Information Technology and/or Business Information Technology Education
Biology, 6-12	Biological Sciences, Biological Systems Engineering, or Biochemistry
Chemistry, 6-12	Chemistry or Chemical Engineering
Earth Science, 6-12	Geosciences, Geophysics, or Forest Resources and Environmental Conservation
*Elementary, PK-6	Elementary Education (Pk-6) (Bachelor's degree in any major considered for M.S.Ed. Most popular majors include: Human Development, and Psychology, <i>Applicants must complete specific general studies requirements</i>)
*English, 6-12	English and/or English Language Arts Education
Family and Consumer Sciences, 6-12	Consumer Studies or Sociology - <i>Applicants must complete specific family and consumer sciences requirements</i>

*History and Social Science	History and/or History and Social Sciences Education
Marketing, 6-12	Marketing and/or Marketing Education
*Mathematics, 6-12	Mathematics
Music (Choral or Instrumental), PK-12	Music
Physics, 6-12	Physics or Engineering
School Counselor, PK-12	Bachelor's degree in any major considered. Most popular majors include: Psychology, and Human Development