Earn a Bachelor’s Degree in Elementary Education at OJC in four years:

1. Apply to Otero Junior College.
2. Earn an Associate of Arts degree after 60 credits (year one & two).
3. Apply to the University of Colorado Denver (application fee will be waived).
4. Take University of Colorado Denver education courses at OJC (year three & four).
5. Participate in a prescribed degree plan with authentic coursework closely connected to field experiences from the beginning to the end of the program, working with teachers and faculty to support your development.
6. Experience and build relationships in local classroom settings with built-in field experience from the OJC and CU Denver partnership, I am now able to finish my degree in a career I love.
7. Become part of a strong learning community that meets regularly to include support with peers, mentors and faculty. 

This program can support para-educators working in elementary education classrooms with district and T-PREP program approval.

For more information, contact T-PREP advisor at OJC

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Checklist
APPLY - FREE application: ojc.edu/howToApply.aspx
1. SUBMIT your High School, GED or College Transcript
2. APPLY for COF - The College Opportunity Fund (COF) for Colorado residents only. https://cof.college-assist.org/
5. APPLY for Scholarships - Download applications at: ojc.edu/scholarships.aspx
6. COMPLETE the New Student Online Orientation at: ojc.edu/futurestudents/studentorientation.aspx

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NaTasha

”I am a 2011 graduate of OJC and when I heard about the T-PREP program I immediately applied. I have found the encouragement and support of the teachers to be phenomenal. The financial support through scholarships, grants and affordable tuition rates has also made my dream of becoming a teacher within reach. Thanks to the OJC and CU Denver partnership, I am now able to finish my degree in a career I love.”
Elementary Education Associate Degree to Bachelor Degree

Bachelor’s Degree
T-PREP Undergraduate Residency Program BA in Elementary (K-6) Education

Year Three (35 credits)
Semester One (11-14 credits)

- Literacy Learning: Clinical Block
  - EDHD 2930*: Learning & Dev. in Early Childhood
  - 60 hrs. field experience & seminar

- Cultural Diversity Core
  - UEDU 4931*
  - UEDU 4932

Semester Two (15 credits)

- Diverse Learners Clinical Block
  - EDHD 3930*: Diverse Learners...
  - 120 hrs. field experience & seminar

- Cultural Diversity Core
  - LCRT 4002*

Summer Semester (9 credits)

- LCRT 4001* Soc. Foundations...
- LCDE 3830* C&L Lang...
- SPED 4300 Family, Prof. & Comm. Collaboration...
- LCRT 4001* Resp. Class...

- All PY courses & residency internships must be taken exactly as specified in each year.
- All courses during the PY Residency and (*) courses must be passed with B—or better.

Year Four: Professional Year (PY) Residency

- UEDU 4033 Residency Internship & Learning Comm Sem III...
- MTED 4003 Elem Math Teaching...
- MCRT 4003...
- 6 hrs. 3 days/week 1st 8 wks; full-time in school last 8 wks
- 6 hrs. 3 days/week 1st 8 wks; full-time in school last 8 wks

- Pass PRAXIS

CU Denver @ OJC Program of Study

Elementary Education

Teacher Preparation for Rural Education Partnership at Otero Junior College

T-PREP@OJC

Join the teacher education partnership offered by Otero Junior College and the University of Colorado Denver to earn a bachelor’s degree in Elementary Education on the OJC campus.

- Earn an Associate of Arts degree (60 credits) from OJC with a 2.3 GPA or better.
- Complete all general education courses with a C or better.
- Complete required English composition courses with a B or better.
- Apply to the University of Colorado Denver in year two, semester two.

According to U.S. News & World Report, CU Denver is a top education school, and a school known nationally for more than 25 years as a successful teacher residency program in public schools. Likewise, for almost 80 years, OJC has been providing the citizens of the Lower Arkansas Valley with a high quality two-year academic education that has positioned students to transfer on to earn bachelor’s degrees with great success.

The OJC/CU Denver partnership prepares students with an education that is rooted in proven best practices and a strong commitment to working in rural communities. Multiple early field experiences and a full year of teaching experience in the final year are incorporated into the four-year program.

Not only does this partnership satisfy community and statewide interests, it adds highly competent newcomers to the teaching profession.