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Endorsement Checklist Essay

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In my freshman year of college I was able to take English Composition 1 which increased my grammar, vocabulary and sentence structure. I believe having the correct knowledge when it comes to grammar with writing is obviously the number one attribute needed for education.

Another course that I found as a necessity to becoming a well rounded teacher was Intro to Education. We discussed the history of education, good and bad. The diversity within classrooms and what minorities face in education. With my own experience in the school environments and having to deal with bullying, and racism. I believe this needs to be a known subject of matter and faculty need to be aware of these issues and know how to act on it. I also took Math for

Elementary I and II, these two courses were a good reminder of some of the key subjects of math that were sitting in the back of my brain. We also got the opportunity to work on teaching math.

The group assignment involved us teaching our own curriculum to one another and that allowed me to know what I am more skilled at and what I may need to work on when my time comes in a classroom. My science classes were Nutrition and Geology, which I gained a lot of knowledge that I lacked in those areas. Nutrition is highly needed in the outside world and in the classroom.

I got to understand a lot about the body, including what your body needs to keep a healthy life and how the body works through the digestive system. Geology is not just learning about rocks but it's learning about the land that we live on, the water and climate change. I believe everyone should know more about the land they precede on, I remember in my own early education

classes analyzing crystals, minerals, rocks and water. My history classes involved Anthropology, Colonialism and Salish People culture. Anthropology is the study of humans, so I was able to go

all the way back in time to the Homo erectus, Homo habilis, etc. Study of humans, means study of individuals. I gained knowledge of humans and that changed my perspective on life greatly with the way I view others. I know everyone has their own story and sometimes that story can impact them and maybe I could be a positive one in their story. I also took a course my junior year at The Evergreen State College on Settler Colonialism. The history we learn in early education isn't the whole history of the Americas. Taking this class I got to learn the truth about our history and all the way back to time in memorial for the Indigenous people in North America. Now that I am educated on history as far back as contact between Europeans and the Indigenous across North America, I believe my historical knowledge has expanded. While I have this advantage, it brings me closer to education and my students.