

Early Childhood Education Major, B.A.

Early Learning Specialization Concentration

2026-2027 Catalog

All courses must be passed with a grade of C- or better.

All students must complete the [School of Education admission](#) process.

Please see your Early Childhood Education advisor to plan your course of study.

Courses limited to specific terms are coded as Fall, Spring, and/or Summer.

First Year - Semester 1			First Year – Semester 2		
Course	Credits	Field Hrs.	Course	Credits	Field Hrs.
Written Communication (General Studies)	3		Written Communication (General Studies)	3	
Oral Communication (General Studies)	3		Arts and Humanities (General Studies)	3	
Historical (General Studies)	3		Natural and Physical Science (General Studies)	3	
Quantitative Literacy (General Studies)	3		Social and Behavioral Science (General Studies)	3	
ECE 2100 – Introduction to Early Childhood Education (F, S)	3		ECE 2400 – Development and Characteristics of Early Learners (F, S)	3	
<i>Note: Select at least one General Studies course with Global Diversity designation</i>			ECE 2500 – Health, Safety and Nutrition (F, S)	3	
Subtotal	15	0	Subtotal	18	0
Second Year - Semester 3			Second Year - Semester 4		
Arts and Humanities (General Studies)	3		ECE 2330 – Creativity and Expressive Arts for the Young Child (S)	3	
Natural and Physical Science (General Studies)	3		ECE 2345 – Administration of Early Childhood Programs (S)	4	
ECE 2600 – The Exceptional Child (F)	3		ECE 2360 – Infants and Toddlers I (S)	3	
ECE 2950 – Developmentally Effective Practice (DEP) I: The Intentional Preschool Teacher (F)	3	45	ECE 2370 – Curriculum for the Young Learner (F, S)	3	15
ECE 2970 – Supporting Social Emotional Competence (F, S)	3		ECE 3860 – Cultural Socialization of Children (ESSJ) (F, S)	3	
Subtotal	15	45	Subtotal	16	15
Third Year - Semester 5			Third Year - Semester 6		
Social and Behavioral Science (General Studies)	3		ECE 2310 – Families and Communities: Advocacy and the Law (S)	3	
ECE 3120 – Early Literacy Development: Birth to Age 5 (F, S)	3	10	ECE 3500 – Teaching with Children’s Literature (S, SU)	3	
ECE 3140 – Math and Science: Birth to Age 5 (F)	3	10	ECE 3600 – Curriculum in Inclusive Settings 0 to 8	3	
ECE 3150 – Developmentally Effective Practice II: Planning for Beginning Readers (F, S)	4	45	ECE 3610 – Teaching for Social Justice (F, S)	4	45
EDT 3010 – Integrating Educational Technology into Teaching	3		ECE 3750 – The Young Culturally and Linguistically Diverse Learner (S, SU)	3	
Subtotal	16	65	Subtotal	16	45
Fourth Year – Semester 7			Fourth Year – Semester 8		
ECE 3250 – Advocacy in Early Childhood Education (F)	3		ECE 4350 - Senior Experience in Early Childhood Education (F, S)	6	
ECE 3350 – Documentation and Assessment in Early Childhood Ed. (F, S)	3		ELECTIVE	3	
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			<i>Note: Consult with an ECE advisor to select 12 credit hours of electives</i>		
Subtotal	12	0	Subtotal	12	0
TOTAL CREDITS FOR PROGRAM: 120 (minimum)					

This 4-year plan is intended to support advising and course registration planning. For official documentation of degree requirements, please refer to your Degree Progress Report or the University Catalog.