

# EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION (M.ED.)

## Degree Requirements

The Master of Education (M.Ed.) program in Early Childhood Education provides advanced study for teachers working with children preschool through third grade. Upon completion of the program, students are eligible for the Class A Professional Early Childhood Education Certificate provided they already hold the Class B Professional Early Childhood Certificate.

**Note:** The appropriate course of study sheet and the assigned departmental advisor should be consulted in all program matters.

## Thesis

A student may elect to write a thesis as part of the program. If the student decides to write a thesis, a thesis committee will be appointed to work with the student and to evaluate the thesis. (IDE 510 and IDE 620 are required.)

The program for the M.Ed. in Early Childhood Education is as follows: 30 minimum hours required (500 level)

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Curriculum and Teaching</b>		
EEC 553	Org Patterns and Curr in ECE	3
EEC 522	Elementary School Curriculum	3
EEC 523	Instr Plan Elem School	3
RED 531 & EEC 532	Trends-Practices Tchg Reading and Lit and Lang Dev in Elem Sch	6
<b>Diversity Elective</b>		
SPE 500	Nat-Needs of Exc Chld and Yth (required if introductory special education course not previously taken)	3
or EDU 567	Multicultural Exp in Schools	
<b>Research &amp; Evaluation see footnote table below (p. 1) <sup>1</sup></b>		
IDE 510	Educ Research and Evaluation	3
IDE 620	Quantitative Methods I (see footnote table below (p. 1)) <sup>2</sup>	3
<b>Technology</b>		
EDM 510	Microcomputing Systems in Ed	3
<b>Teaching Field</b>		
Advisor approved 500 level AED, EEC, RED courses		6
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>33</b>

## Footnote

<sup>1</sup> Students who have previously not completed an evaluation course will be required to complete an approved evaluation course in addition to IDE 510.

<sup>2</sup> Thesis Option Only with IDE 510.

All certification programs require an introductory special education course SPE 500 required under B above, if not completed at the undergraduate level.