

Early Childhood-Elementary Education (PreK-4) BSEd

Overview

Offered by the Department of Teaching and Learning, the **Bachelor of Science in Education in Early Childhood-Elementary Education (PreK-4)** is designed to prepare teachers to work in programs serving children in pre-kindergarten, kindergarten, primary and early intermediate grades. The program aims to help students gain an appreciation and understanding of child development and learning, build conceptual and practical expertise about effective instruction, acquire a sound philosophy of education, and develop personally and professionally.

One hallmark of the program is the variety of exciting and diverse field experiences. By working directly with children many times over the course of several semesters prior to student teaching, students in the program gain hands-on experience with children of various ages and backgrounds, gaining insight into the creation of effective learning situations which meet the needs of all learners.

Students may complete the **optional concentration** in Special Education.

Campus Location: Main

Program Code: ED-ECED-BSED

Accreditation

The program is approved as a teacher preparation program by the Pennsylvania Department of Education.

Licensure/Certification

Upon successful completion of the program requirements, candidates may apply for a Pennsylvania Instructional I Teaching Certificate. Please note, Pennsylvania requires assessment of candidates in General Knowledge, Professional Knowledge and/or Subject Area Knowledge prior to issuance of a certificate. Please refer to the PDE web site for testing requirements.

Accelerated +1 Programs

The College of Education and Human Development offers accelerated programs, including the opportunity for Early Childhood-Elementary Education (PreK-4) majors to pursue the Early Childhood-Elementary Education (PreK-4) BSEd and Special Education MEd accelerated program. Qualified students earn a bachelor's and a master's degree in a five-year course of study. Learn more about the College of Education and Human Development's +1 Accelerated Programs.

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These requirements are for students who matriculated in academic year 2023-2024. Students who matriculated prior to fall 2023 should refer to the Archives to view the requirements for their Bulletin year.

Summary of Requirements

University Requirements

- All new students are required to complete the university's General Education (GenEd) curriculum (except where a waiver is noted).
- All students must take a minimum of two writing-intensive (WI) courses at Temple University. The specific writing-intensive courses required for this major are ECED 3296 and SPED 4198.

College Requirements

- Students must be accepted into the certification program prior to taking methods courses; for further details, see "Candidacy" under College Requirements.

- Additional University and College requirements are located on the College of Education and Human Development's Academic Policies and Regulations page in this *Bulletin*.

Program Requirements

Code	Title	Credit Hours
Required Courses		
MATH 1015	Introduction to Numbers & Figures	4
EDUC 1016 or MATH 1021	Mathematics for Educators College Algebra	4
ECED 2101	Child Development, Birth to Nine	3
ECED 2104	Integrating the Arts into Early Childhood Education	3
ECED 2105	Cognition and Learning in the Classroom	3
ECED 2106	Language and Literacy Development in Early Childhood: Birth through Kindergarten	3
ECED 2187	Practicum for Pre-K and Kindergarten	3
ECED 3106	Literacy Foundations for the Primary Grades: First Grade through Fourth Grade	3
ECED 3107	Learning Mathematics for the Primary Grades: First through Fourth Grade	3
ECED 3109	Science for the Early Years	3
ECED 3187	Practicum for the Primary Grades	3
ECED 3207	Mathematics and Science Pedagogical Content Knowledge	3
ECED 3208	Social Studies for the Early Years, Pre K-4	3
ECED 3296	Differentiated Literacy and Assessment	3
ECED 4106	The Learning Community: Family and Community Relationships	3
ECED 4187	Senior Practicum in Early Childhood Education	6
ECED 4802	Senior Seminar I in Early Childhood Education	3
ECED 4803	Senior Seminar II in Early Childhood Education	3
ECED 4588	Student Teaching in Early Childhood Education	9
EDUC 2103	Socio-cultural Foundations of Education in the United States	3
SPED 2231	Introduction to Special Education	3
SPED 3211	Effective Instructional Strategies for Students with Disabilities	3
SPED 4103	Classroom Management and Positive Behavior Support	3
SPED 4198	Literacy Instruction and Assessment in Special Education	3
TESL 3631	Principles and Practice for Teaching English Learners	3
Total Credit Hours		86

Major Requirements

Code	Title	Credit Hours
ECED 3287	Practicum II for the Primary Grades	3
Total Credit Hours		3

Suggested Academic Plan

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Suggested Plan for New Students Starting in the 2023-2024 Academic Year

(Certain courses require that a student secure clearances as per the College of Education and Human Development policy; students should check the current list of courses that require clearances on the College of Education and Human Development web site.)

Year 1		
Fall		Credit Hours
ENG 0802 or ENG 0812 or ENG 0902	Analytical Reading and Writing ³ or Analytical Reading and Writing: ESL or Honors Writing About Literature	4
MATH 1015	Introduction to Numbers & Figures ^{1,3}	4

GenEd Breadth Course		3
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Credit Hours		17
Spring		
IH 0851 or IH 0951	Intellectual Heritage I: The Good Life ³ or Honors Intellectual Heritage I: The Good Life	3
GenEd Breadth Course		3
GenEd Breadth Course		3
EDUC 2103	Socio-cultural Foundations of Education in the United States ³	3
Select one of the following Algebra courses: ^{1,3,4}		4
EDUC 1016	Mathematics for Educators	
MATH 1021	College Algebra	
Credit Hours		16
Year 2		
Fall		
IH 0852 or IH 0952	Intellectual Heritage II: The Common Good ³ or Honors Intellectual Heritage II: The Common Good	3
Elective		3
SPED 2231	Introduction to Special Education ^{2,3}	3
ECED 2101	Child Development, Birth to Nine ^{2,3}	3
GenEd Breath Course		3
Credit Hours		15
Spring		
ECED 2104	Integrating the Arts into Early Childhood Education	3
ECED 2105	Cognition and Learning in the Classroom ³	3
ECED 2106	Language and Literacy Development in Early Childhood: Birth through Kindergarten ³	3
ECED 2187	Practicum for Pre-K and Kindergarten ³	3
ECED 4106	The Learning Community: Family and Community Relationships	3
Credit Hours		15
Year 3		
Fall		
ECED 3106	Literacy Foundations for the Primary Grades: First Grade through Fourth Grade	3
ECED 3107	Learning Mathematics for the Primary Grades: First through Fourth Grade ¹	3
TESL 3631	Principles and Practice for Teaching English Learners ²	3
ECED 3109	Science for the Early Years	3
ECED 3187	Practicum for the Primary Grades	3
Credit Hours		15
Spring		
ECED 3296	Differentiated Literacy and Assessment	3
ECED 3207	Mathematics and Science Pedagogical Content Knowledge	3
ECED 3208	Social Studies for the Early Years, Pre K-4	3
ECED 3287	Practicum II for the Primary Grades	3
SPED 3211	Effective Instructional Strategies for Students with Disabilities	3
Credit Hours		15
Year 4		
Fall		
ECED 4802	Senior Seminar I in Early Childhood Education	3
ECED 4187	Senior Practicum in Early Childhood Education	6
SPED 4103	Classroom Management and Positive Behavior Support	3
SPED 4198	Literacy Instruction and Assessment in Special Education	3
Credit Hours		15

Spring

ECED 4588	Student Teaching in Early Childhood Education	9
ECED 4803	Senior Seminar II in Early Childhood Education	3
Credit Hours		12
Total Credit Hours		120

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Completion of 1) MATH 1015, 2) MATH 1021 or EDUC 1016 and 3) ECED 3107 constitute the waiver for the GenEd Quantitative Literacy (GQ) category if the courses are completed with a C- or better.

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Completion of 1) SPED 2231, 2) ECED 2101 and 3) TESL 3631 constitute the waiver for the GenEd Human Behavior (GB) category if the courses are completed with a C- or better.

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These courses must be completed with a C- or better to be eligible for Candidacy approval. Pre-Candidacy coursework includes a variety of courses, including a minimum of 1) two college-level math courses totaling at least six credits, 2) one college-level writing/composition course with a minimum of three credits (GenEd Analytical Reading and Writing), and 3) one literature course with a minimum of three credits (Intellectual Heritage I: The Good Life or Intellectual Heritage II: The Common Good); no 0700 or pre-college level courses can count toward these requirements.

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Students selecting MATH 1021 should do so in consultation with a CEHD academic advisor.