

## Early Childhood Education Teacher Certification Requirements Undergraduate Program

Candidate: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Initial GPA: \_\_\_\_\_ Campus ID: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Advisor: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
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### Content Requirements for ECE Certification:

*The early childhood teacher is expected to be able to provide effective instruction in several different content areas. For this reason, there are courses that all teacher candidates are required to take to ensure sufficient content background. When chosen wisely, these courses meet the requirements of the Department of Education and may meet some of the General Education Program (GEP) of the University as well. They are:*

	Course No.
PSYC 100 Introduction to Psychology	_____
PSYC 200 Developmental or Child Psychology	_____
Fine arts / literature (6 credits)	_____
Two social studies courses	_____
(Pref. US History and Geography)	_____
8 credits in math (Math 131 and/or 132 are preferred)	_____
8 credits in science (at least one with lab)	_____
(Pref. Science 100)	_____

### An Academic Major

*Certification in early childhood education licenses teachers to teach children birth through grade 3. Any major may be used towards certification in the Program.*

**PRAXIS Core** Math (150)\_\_\_ Reading (156)\_\_\_ Writing (162)\_\_\_

*Candidates need to receive qualifying scores on the **Praxis Core Academic Skills for Educators (Core)** tests or meet the SAT Reasoning Test, ACT test, or GRE General Test requirements established by the Maryland State Department of Education to be fully admitted into the program. **PRAXIS II Early Childhood Tests** must be passed for program completion and certification.*

### Comments:

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### Professional Education Requirements:

*A GPA of 2.75 is required for program entry. A GPA of 3.0 is required for entering internship. Students wishing to attend part time will develop an individual plan with an advisor.*

	Grade
<b>First Semester: (9)</b>	
EDUC 439 (3) Observation & Assessment in ECE	_____
EDUC 442 (1) Creative Media Processes in ECE	_____
EDUC 441 (3) Children's Literature	_____
EDUC 440 (2) Field Experience in ECE (under 5)	_____
<b>Second Semester: (11)</b>	
EDUC 446 (3) Language, Literacy & Intellectual Development	_____
EDUC 434 (4) Science Processes in ECE	_____
EDUC 445 (1) Field Experience in ECE (Pre-K or K)	_____
EDUC 432 (3) Accommodating Special Needs in ECE	_____
<b>Third Semester: (11)</b>	
EDUC 447 (3) Teaching of Reading and Writing in ECE	_____
EDUC 419 (3) Assessment for Reading Instruction	_____
EDUC 433 (4) Math Processes in ECE	_____
EDUC 448 (1) Phase I Internship (1st, 2nd, or 3rd grade)	_____
<b>Fourth Semester: (13)</b>	
EDUC 450 (10) Internship in Student Teaching (Pre-K/K & Primary Grade)	_____
EDUC 451 (3) Internship Seminar in Early Childhood	_____
<b>Total Credits:</b>	<b>44</b>

### Clinical Experience Record:

Semester	School/ Center	Teacher	Age/ Grade	Total Hours or Days	Supervisor
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
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