

Bachelor of Science: Early Childhood Education - ONLINE PROGRAM

Birth – Grade 3

Course	Title	Credits	Semester
LEP/MNTC Courses Required for Admission to Teacher Preparation Program			
COMM XXX	Any Goal 1 COMM with COMM prefix <i>(Minimum grade of C or better required for admission to TPP)</i>	3	B, Su
ENG 151 or ENG 251	Academic Writing or Writing in Professions <i>(Minimum grade of C or better required for admission to TPP)</i>	3-4	B, Su
MATH XXX	Any Goal 4 MATH with MATH prefix <i>(Minimum grade of C or better required for admission to TPP)</i>	3-5	B, Su
Standards of Effective Practice			
ED 101	Introduction to Education & LAB	3	B
ED 102	Educational Technology	2	B, Su
ED 251	Child and Adolescent Growth and Development	3	S, Su
ED 312	Human Relations and Diversity in Education	3	B, Su
ED 400	Foundations of Literacy & Literature <i>*Pre-Requisites: ED 101 & ED 102, and ED 251</i>	2	B, Su
SPED 290	Introduction to Special Needs & LAB	3	B
TESL 431	Foundations of Teaching Multilingual Learners & LAB	3	B
ED 458	Pre-Student Teaching Experience **	3	B
Early Childhood Education Content Methods			
ED 275	Foundations: Parent-Child Relationships	2	B
ED 315	Play and Creative Activities & LAB	3	F
ED 330	Curriculum, Methods, & Assessments in Early Childhood & LAB ** <i>*Pre-Requisites: ED 315</i>	3	S
ED 331	Infants & Toddlers	3	F
ED 418	Kindergarten Methods & LAB ** <i>*Pre-Requisites: ED 101</i>	3	B
ED 456	ECE Program Leadership Experience <i>*Pre-Requisite: Junior Standing</i>	2	B, Su
HLTH 290	Wellness, Safety, & Nutrition from Birth to Grade 3	3	B
SPED 470	Collaboration in Educational Settings ** <i>*Pre-Requisite: SPED 290 and Sophomore status</i>	3	B, Su
ED 402	Early Literacy and Linguistics & LAB ** *	3	B
ED 404	Literacy Methods & LAB ** * <i>*Pre-Requisite: ED 402</i>	3	B
ED 423	Effective Learning Environments for Classroom Management ** *	3	B
ED 424	Elementary Mathematics Methods & LAB **	3	B
ED 425	Elementary Science Methods & LAB **	3	B
ED 426	Elementary Social Studies Methods **	3	B
ED 455	Leadership and Advocacy in Early Childhood <i>*Pre-Requisites: Declared ECE majors with Junior/Senior status or previous degree</i>	1	S, Su
Student Teaching			
ED 462	Student Teaching: Birth – Early Childhood **	12	B
ED 473	Teacher Licensure	0	B
Degree & Major Requirements			
	LEP/MnTC requirements (not all listed here)	45	
	Early Childhood Education requirements	75	
	Total credits required	120	
<i>Note: Students must complete a minimum of 120 credits in order to graduate with a bachelor's degree.</i>			

F = Fall S = Spring B = Both F & S Su = Summer

Courses in the shaded area may be taken prior to admission to the Teacher Preparation Program

Courses not in the shaded areas require admission to the Teacher Preparation Program

Note: Sections 88 & 89 are reserved for online learners.

** Courses that need to be taken at SMSU (not articulated) * Courses that meet Reading Standards: Includes [MN Dyslexia Standards](#). If equivalent courses are transferred in, the candidate will need to provide evidence of meeting the MN Dyslexia Standards or take ED 296 for one credit. *Courses that meet SEP and content standards.

This information is provided for advising. Official curriculum is published in the SMSU academic catalog: www.SMSU.edu/catalog/
Students should refer to the online catalog or their DARS report for current curriculum. This advising guide was updated: 7/7/2025