

EDUCATION (EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION PLUS LICENSURE) - MASTER OF ARTS (ONLINE)

Master of Arts in Education Plus Licensure in Early Childhood Education Online

The College of Health, Education, Social Transformation's School of Teacher Preparation, Administration and Leadership at New Mexico State University offers a 39-credit Master of Arts in Education Plus Licensure in Early Childhood Education for individuals who have completed a bachelor's degree. The program is designed to meet the professional education course requirements for teacher licensure as a part of a Master of Arts in Education degree program. A full-time student in this program typically completes in 2 years.

Admission requirements include:

- Completed a bachelor's degree in a closely related field with a cumulative GPA of 2.75 or higher.
- Prerequisites may be required depending on BA degree coursework.
- Be admitted to the NMSU Graduate School and/or NMSU Global
- Be admitted to the School of Teacher Preparation, Administration and Leadership

Prefix	Title	Credits
Program Requirements		
<i>Core Courses</i>		
EDUC 5120	Multicultural Education ¹	3
EDUC 5140	Research in Curriculum and Pedagogy ¹	3
ECED Licensure Course Work		
ECED 5510	Advanced Teaching and Learning of Literacy ^{2,3}	3
ECED 5420	Science/Math Curriculum ^{2,3}	3
ECED 5520	Literacy Development in Early Childhood	3
ECED 5110	Working with Young Children with Special Needs, Ages 3-8	3
ECED 5410	Seminar on Child Development, Assessment and Well-being of Young Children	3
ECED 5220	Play in the Early Childhood Curriculum	3
Early Childhood Electives (6 Credits)		
BLED 5120	The Bilingual Preschool Child	
ECED 5130	Working with Parents of Young Children	
ECED 5210	Leadership and Advocacy in Early Childhood	
ECED 6110	History and Philosophy of Early Childhood Education	
ECED 5310	Issues in Early Childhood Education	
Student Teaching Block		
ECED 5810	Student Teaching/Seminar ⁴	3
SPED 5870	Early Childhood SPED Student Teaching ⁴	6
Total Credits		39

¹ Prerequisites to apply to TEP. TEP portfolio can be submitted during the semester in which Core Courses are in progress or completed.

² Courses require 100 hours of practicum in a K-3rd grade classroom. Students must complete a background check and fingerprinting process at the beginning of the semester to obtain district clearance. Information will be posted each semester in O'Donnell Hall.

³ Courses require admission into TEP.

⁴ Courses require admission into Student Teaching.

Road Map

Two electives should be selected and taken any time during the program. Some electives are offered only during the fall and others only during the summer. The program can be started at any point.

The following roadmap outlines coursework for a fall semester start.

First Year		
Semester 1		
EDUC 5120	Multicultural Education ¹	3
EDUC 5140	Research in Curriculum and Pedagogy ¹	3
Consider Fall Elective - ECED 6110 (MS1) or ECED 5310 (MS2)		3
Apply to TEP		
Credits		9
Semester 2		
ECED 5520	Literacy Development in Early Childhood (MS1)	3
ECED 5110	Working with Young Children with Special Needs, Ages 3-8 (MS2)	3
Credits		6
Semester 3		
ECED 5410	Seminar on Child Development, Assessment and Well-being of Young Children	3
ECED 5220	Play in the Early Childhood Curriculum	3
Consider Summer Elective - BLED 5120, ECED 5130, or ECED 5210		3
Credits		9
Second Year		
Semester 1		
ECED 5510	Advanced Teaching and Learning of Literacy ^{2,3}	3
ECED 5420	Science/Math Curriculum ^{2,3}	3
Consider Fall Elective if still needed		
Apply to Student Teaching - STEP		
Credits		6
Semester 2		
ECED 5810	Student Teaching/Seminar ⁴	3
SPED 5870	Early Childhood SPED Student Teaching ⁴	6
Credits		9
Total Credits		39

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Accelerated Plan of Study

First Year

Semester 1 Credits

This group of courses can also be started during the Fall or Spring semester.

Mini Semester 1		
EDUC 5120	Multicultural Education	3
BLED 5120	The Bilingual Preschool Child	3
Mini Semester 2		
EDUC 5140	Research in Curriculum and Pedagogy	3
ECED 5310	Issues in Early Childhood Education	3
Consider the Fall electives to meet the elective requirement. ¹		
Credits		12

Semester 2

ECED Licensure Course Work (Fall Only)		
ECED 5510	Advanced Teaching and Learning of Literacy	3
ECED 5420	Science/Math Curriculum	3
Consider the Fall electives to meet the electives requirement. ¹		
Credits		6

Semester 3

Spring Only		
ECED 5520	Literacy Development in Early Childhood	3
ECED 5110	Working with Young Children with Special Needs, Ages 3-8	3
Credits		6

Second Year

Semester 1

Summer only (5 week courses)

Mini Semester 1		
ECED 5410	Seminar on Child Development, Assessment and Well-being of Young Children	3
Mini Semester 2		
ECED 5220	Play in the Early Childhood Curriculum	3
Consider the Summer electives to meet the elective requirement.		
Credits		6

Semester 2

Student Teaching Block (Fall or Spring)		
ECED 5810	Student Teaching/Seminar	3
SPED 5870	Early Childhood SPED Student Teaching	6
Credits		9
Total Credits		39

¹ Fall Semester Elective Choices: **ECED 6110** History and Philosophy; **ECED 5310** Issues in Early Childhood.

² Summer Semester Elective Choices: **BLED 5120** Bilingual Preschool Child; **ECED 5210** Leadership and Advocacy in ECED; **ECED 5130** Working With Parents of Young Children.