

ELEMENTARY EDUCATION
EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION MINOR (leading to ZA endorsement)

Successful completion of this minor and the certification test #82 (Early Childhood Ed.) qualifies the student for endorsement in Early Childhood Education. The ZA endorsement indicates special preparation for teaching children birth through 3rd grade. Students planning to take the MTTC subject area test for certification should take the test when all the course requirements are completed.

Courses	Titles	Credits	Pre and Corequisites
The following FOUR courses are REQUIRED:			
____+ECE 214 (formerly CURR 214)	The Developing Child in ECE	3	Prerequisite: PSY 101 or PSY 102 Corequisite: ECE 215
____+ECE 215 (formerly CURR 215)	Developing Professional in ECE + 3 hours of practicum in Children's Institute (Must have 1 morning 3-hour block (9-12) and 1 afternoon 3-hour block (1-4) available, except for Monday p.m.) All transfer students must take this course.	2	Prerequisite: PSY 101 or PSY 102 Corequisite: ECE 214
____ECE 302 (formerly CURR 302)	Methods of Integrating Curriculum and Resources in ECE (Take prior to the EDUC 490 placement and earn a C or better.)	3	Prerequisites: ECE 214, ECE 215, EDPS 322 (or EDPS 325 for Special Ed. students), Teacher Preparation Program (TPP) Admission Corequisite: ECE 303
____ECE 303 (formerly CURR 303)	Implementing Curriculum in Early Childhood + 3 hours of practicum in Children's Institute (Must have 1 morning 3-hour block (9-12) and 1 afternoon 3-hour block (1-4) available, except for Monday p.m.; must take prior to the EDUC 490 Placement and earn a C or better.)	2	Prerequisites: ECE 214, ECE 215, EDPS 322 (or EDPS 325 for Special Ed. students), TPP Admission Corequisite: ECE 302
Choose THREE of the following:			
____+ECE 314 (formerly CURR 314)	Infants and Toddlers in ECE (Special Education students <u>must</u> elect this.)	3	Prerequisites: ECE 214, ECE 215, EDPS 322 (or EDPS 325 for Special Ed. students)
____+ECE 307 (formerly EDPS 307)	Young Children in Peril: Ed. Implications	3	Prerequisites: ECE 214, ECE 215 or instructor permission
____ECE 318 (formerly EDPS 318)	Play and Creativity in ECE	3	Prerequisites: ECE 214, ECE 215, EDPS 322 (or EDPS 325 for Special Ed. students), TPP Admission
____+PHED 381	Motor Behavior of the Young Child	3	None
Required ECE Courses that are part of the professional education sequence:			
____ECE 341 (formerly EDPS 341)	Assessment of the Young Child This course replaces EDPS 340. (Must be taken before the elementary education student teaching.)	3	Prerequisites: ECE 214, ECE 215, EDPS 322 (or EDPS 325 for Special Ed. students), TPP Admission
____EDUC 495	Student Teaching (Placement in a pre-Kindergarten placement)	4	CURR 302, CURR 303, EDUC 490, TPP Admission

+Students may take these courses prior to admission to the Teacher Preparation Program.

Notes:

1. ECE students may not take the Structure of the Disciplines minor.
2. Students may only complete one student teaching placement each term. Students complete their regular Elementary Ed placement (EDUC 490, 8 cr. hrs.) in a 1st – 3rd grade classroom before their ECE Placement (EDUC 495, 4 cr. hrs.) in a pre-Kindergarten setting.
3. ECE students may leave some general education courses, one or two courses remaining in their major or minor(s), and/or ECE minor electives to take along with EDUC 495.

Advisor's signature: _____ Date: _____