EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUC (EDEC)

EDEC 201 - Inquiry into Early Childhood Education (3 Credits)
Inquiry into the roles, programs, history, and culture trends in early childhood education.

EDEC 250 - Play and Early Learning (3 Credits)
Theory and practice related to children’s play and early learning in family, community, and educational settings.

EDEC 335 - African and African Diaspora Literacies in the Early Childhood Classroom (3 Credits)
Pedagogical methods for introducing young children in prekindergarten-to-third grade classrooms to perspectives on African and African Diaspora literacies (Peoples, histories, and contributions to the world’s knowledge).

EDEC 336 - Culturally Relevant Pedagogy in Early Childhood Classrooms (3 Credits)
A study of the theoretical and practical foundations of effective teaching in diverse classroom environments. Ethnicity, gender, social class, religion and other issues are considered from multiple perspectives.

Graduation with Leadership Distinction: GLD: Diversity and Social Advocacy, GLD: Global Learning

EDEC 340 - The Young Child: Development, Care and Education (Birth to 3 years) (3 Credits)
Infants’ and toddlers’ development and care from an ecological perspective. Assessment of children in various settings is emphasized.
Corequisite: EDEC 340P.

EDEC 340P - The Young Child: Development, Care and Education (Birth to 3 years) Practicum (1 Credit)
Practicum in infants’ and toddlers’ development and care observed and assessed from an ecological perspective. Includes service learning.
Corequisite: EDEC 340.

EDEC 342 - The Young Child: Development, Care and Education (3-8 years) (3 Credits)
Study and practicum in culturally relevant child development, ages 3-8, and applying this knowledge as foundational in early childhood assessment and practice.
Prerequisites: C or better in EDEC 340 and EDEC 340P.
Corequisite: EDEC 344, EDEC 347 and EDEC 345.

Graduation with Leadership Distinction: GLD: Professional and Civic Engagement Internships, GLD: Research

EDEC 342P - The Young Child: Development, Care and Education (3-8 years) Practicum (3 Credits)
Practicum in development, assessment, and education of young children with an emphasis on mathematics, science, and social studies.
Prerequisites: EDEC 340 and 340P.
Corequisite: EDEC 342, EDEC 344, EDEC 347 and EDRD 345.

Graduation with Leadership Distinction: GLD: Professional and Civic Engagement Internships

EDEC 344 - Supporting Linguistic Pluralism Across Content Areas (3 Credits)
Introduction to issues, ideas, practices and policies in support of learning and teaching in multilingual classrooms, pre-K to grade 12 for undergraduate early childhood education majors. Early Childhood Majors Only.
Corequisite: EDEC 342, EDEC 342P, EDEC 347 and EDRD 345.

EDEC 345 - Teaching Reading in Early Childhood Education I (3 Credits)
Theory and practice in the teaching of reading for children from birth through age eight for undergraduate majors in early childhood.
Prerequisites: Admission to the professional program in Early Childhood Education.
Corequisite: EDEC 342, EDEC 342P, EDEC 344 and EDEC 347.

EDEC 347 - Community of Learners and Classroom Management in Early Childhood (3 Credits)
Methods of building a community of learners including child guidance and group management that foster the development of self-control and learning.
Corequisite: EDEC 342, EDEC 342P, EDEC 344 and EDEC 345.

EDEC 410 - Parent/Family Dynamics in Early Childhood Education (3 Credits)
Principles, practices, and content of family dynamics, including practicum/service learning.
Graduation with Leadership Distinction: GLD: Community Service

EDEC 441 - Teaching Mathematics in Early Childhood (3 Credits)
Methods and materials in teaching and assessment in early childhood mathematics (prekindergarten-grade 3).
Prerequisites: Admission to Internship I.
Corequisite: EDEC 443.

EDEC 442 - Teaching Science in Early Childhood Education (3 Credits)
The study and practice of science education for pre-school and primary students focusing on appropriate content, goals and methods.
Prerequisites: Admission to internship in early childhood education.
Corequisite: EDEC 443.

EDEC 443 - Internship in Integrated Curriculum in Early Childhood Education (4 Credits)
Internship in developmentally and culturally appropriate content and pedagogy in language and literacy, mathematics, science, social studies, and fine arts for young children through grade 3. Admission to internship in early childhood education.
Corequisite: EDEC 441, EDEC 442 and EDRD 445.

EDEC 444 - Teaching Social Studies to Early Childhood Education (3 Credits)
The study and practice of Social Studies education for undergraduate majors in early childhood education. Early Childhood Majors Only.

EDEC 445 - Teaching Writing in Early Childhood Education (3 Credits)
Theory and practice in the teaching of writing for children from birth through age eight. For undergraduate majors in early childhood education including literacy practice.
Prerequisites: C or better in EDEC 345.
Corequisite: EDEC 443.
EDEC 491 - Seminar on Teaching in Early Childhood (3 Credits)
Exploration of the principles and theories about teaching and learning as they apply to early childhood education in the context of schools in democratic societies.
Prerequisites: Admission to internship in early childhood education.

Corequisite: EDEC 492.

Graduation with Leadership Distinction: GLD: Professional and Civic Engagement Internships, GLD: Research

EDEC 492 - Internship in Curriculum, Assessment, Teaching, and Professional Roles (9 Credits)
Internship for practice in classrooms appropriate to the level of certification sought (early childhood) related to professional roles. Admission to the Professional Program in Early Childhood Education.
Graduation with Leadership Distinction: GLD: Professional and Civic Engagement Leadership Experiences
Experiential Learning: Experiential Learning Opportunity

EDEC 540 - The Young Child: Behavior and Development in Early Childhood (3 Credits)
Service-learning and seminar experiences addressing intellectual, physical, social, and emotional development, prenatal through grade three, within an ecological context. Child's critical thinking, creative expression, and diagnosis/assessment emphasized.

EDEC 546 - Education of Young Children: An Ecological Approach (3 Credits)
An ecological study with emphasis on home-school relations, parent involvement, and community resources. Multicultural perspectives and needs of exceptional children addressed.
Corequisite: EDEC 469.

EDEC 547 - Field Problems: Teaching Mathematics Using Manipulative Materials, Grades K-3 (3 Credits)
Instructional approaches and materials for teaching elementary school mathematics, grades K-3.

EDEC 570 - Internship in Environments for Teaching and Learning (3 Credits)
Internship for practice in classrooms appropriate to early childhood education related to curriculum design and assessment. Admission to the professional program in early childhood education.
Graduation with Leadership Distinction: GLD: Professional and Civic Engagement Internships

EDEC 608 - Parent Involvement in Early Childhood Education (3 Credits)
Analysis of programs and practices for involving parents in early childhood educational settings. Emphasizes objectives, methods, techniques, and materials for program development. Community resources for supporting programs for children in various instructional settings.

EDEC 690 - Independent Study (1-3 Credits)