Early Childhood Education

Bachelor of Science in Education (BSED)

The College of Education creates a supportive climate to help all education majors meet the rigor of teacher education. Early Childhood students have the opportunity to participate in Tomorrow’s Teachers Learning Community which links cohort learning and living opportunities. Students also receive support in preparation for the Missouri General Education Assessment required for admission. We also provide our future educators the tools to learn and use instructional technology across our curriculum. Join our EDvolution of future educators!

**Early Childhood Education students will**...

- Be certified to teach ages Birth – 3rd grade upon successful completion of this program and licensure exams.
- Add on certification in Elementary Education (Grades 1 – 6).
- Participate in multiple field experiences in local classrooms.
- Integrate technology into the curriculum with our EDvolution one-to-one instructional technology program.
- Have the opportunity for student teaching abroad, including our partnership with Eagles College in Iquique, Chile.
- Have opportunities for leadership in our numerous student organizations.
- Have full-time faculty with experience in the classroom as their primary instructors.

**Career Planning**

The state of Missouri has high expectations for future educators. Students graduating spring 2017 or later must maintain a 2.75 cumulative GPA and a 3.0 GPA in both the area of content expertise and pedagogy coursework. In addition, students must pass the Missouri Content Assessment and the Missouri Preservice Teacher Assessment for recommendation for licensure. Students must also fulfill other assessments such as the Missouri Educator Profile and be cleared through a FBI background check.

Career preparation is part of the mission of Southeast. 100% of programs offer our students an internship, study-abroad program, clinical opportunity, student teaching or research internship.

The Office of Career Services in Academic Hall 057 can provide students with professional career counseling and coaching, resume critiques, practice interviews, job search strategies, career events, networking opportunities, and more.

### Demonstrated Career Proficiency is a Requirement of all Southeast Students

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<th>Students connect academic career planning by completing an online career assessment</th>
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<td>Students learn about resume development, professional communication, interviewing, and transitioning to the first job from college</td>
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**Education Outlook**

- Students secure teaching positions across the state of Missouri, in surrounding states, and beyond.
- Early Childhood graduates with add-on certification in Elementary Education find jobs as preschool, kindergarten, and elementary grade teachers in public or private schools. Graduates may also work in programs such as Parents as Teachers or First Steps.
- Placement rates are high for alumni with more than one certification.
- First year teachers report feeling well prepared by Southeast Missouri State University on our annual survey of first-year teachers.
- Principals also report early childhood graduates are well-prepared as beginning teachers.

**EDvolution**
All students in the College of Education must rent or purchase an iPad for use during the program.

- **Tech for You:** become a better student with technology
- **Tech for Us:** learn how to teach with technology
- **Tech for Them:** use technology in your field experiences

**Admission Requirements**

- Cumulative 2.75 GPA;
- 42 hours of course credits earned;
- Missouri Educator Profile (MEP) results on file;
- ED 280 completed with a grade of “B” or above;
- A minimum grade of ‘C’ in CF/PY120 The Child;
- Score of 220 or higher on all sections of the Missouri General Education Assessment (MoGEA).

**Field and Clinical Experiences**

**Early** – explore the role of educators before you commit to the degree

**Mid-level**- early childhood majors do field experiences with infants/toddlers, preschoolers, kindergarteners, and elementary aged students; field experiences are connected to education coursework

**Student Teaching**- semester long, co-teaching capstone experience in an early childhood classroom (PreK – 3rd gr.)

**Graduation Requirements**

- GPA: 2.75 cumulative; 3.0 professional education
- Pass the following Missouri Content Assessments: 064 Early Childhood Education, 007 (English Language Arts subtest), 008 (Mathematics subtest), 009 (Science subtest), and 10 (Social Studies subtest)
- Complete all required course work and field experiences

**Special Options with Early Childhood Education**

This program of study is also available at the Regional Campuses (Kennett, Malden, and Sikeston) and the Poplar Bluff Delivery Site.

Southeast offers a Master of Arts in Elementary Education with an emphasis in Early Childhood Education.
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This is a guide based on the 2017-2018 Undergraduate Bulletin and is subject to change. The time it takes to earn a degree will vary based on several factors such as dual enrollment, remediation, and summer enrollment. Students will meet with an academic advisor each semester and use DegreeWorks to monitor their individual progress.

### CURRICULUM CHECKLIST

“Critical Courses” are italicized and bolded. Data shows that students who have completed this course in the first two years and have earned the noted grade are most likely to complete this program of study.

Early Childhood Education students must be admitted to the College of Education prior to enrolling in upper division (300 level or above) education courses.

### Professional Education Courses:
- A grade of ‘C’ or better is required in education courses. A grade of ‘B’ is required in ED 280.
  - BS 118 Process Science Elementary Teachers (1)
  - CE 330 Classroom Management and Environmental Organization (3)
  - CE 340 Family School Collaboration (3)
  - CE 364 Methods of Teaching Math, Science, Social Studies in EC / EI Ed (3)
  - CE 365 Observation, Assessment and Data Analysis in EC / EI Ed (3)
  - CE 366 Curriculum, Theory & Program Management in Early Childhood (3)
  - CE 370 Language Acquisition of the Young Child (3)
  - CE 480 Early Childhood Student Teaching (12)
  - CE 530 Foundations of Early Childhood Special Education (3)
  - CP 124 Child Health, Nutrition, Safety (3)
  - CP 233 Creative Thought & Expression in Children (3)
  - CP 285 Learning Theory/Infant Toddlers (3)
  - CP 512 Fall Family Community Resources (3)
  - ED 280 Introduction to Education as a Profession (3)
  - EF 400 Student Teaching Seminar (1)
  - EL 274 Diversity in American Schools (3)
  - EL 300 Assistive and Instructional Technology in a Universally Designed Learning Environment (3)
  - EL 314 Literacy Field Experience (3)
  - EL 316 Emergent and Early Literacy Instruction (3)
  - EL 317 Elementary and Middle School Literacy Instruction (3)
  - EL 354 Meeting the Needs of Struggling Readers (3)
  - EL 355 Literacy in the Content Area (3)
  - EL 410 Differentiated Instruction (3)
  - EL 430 Advanced Field Experience (3)
  - EN 140 Rhetorical & Critical Thinking (3)
  - EX 390 Psychology of the Exceptional Child (3)
  - LA 243 Children’s Literature (3)
  - MA 128 Numbers and Operations for Educators (4)
  - MA 225 Geometry for Educators (4)
  - PY/CF 120 The Child (3)
  - UI 506 Education Law and Society (3)

### Additional Requirements:
- BS 218 Biological Science (3)
- EC 101 Economic Problems and Policies (3)
- EN 100 English Composition (3)
- PS 218 Physical Science (3)
- PS 103 US Political Systems (3)
- SC 105 Fundamentals of Oral Communication (3)
- UI 308 Cultural/Physical Landscapes (3)
- US 105 American History (3)

**NOTE:** All Pre-Education courses are pre-requisite to all Education courses.

### University Studies Requirements (not already listed above):
- UI 100

(Students who score less than 22 on the ACT math subscore must also take MA 018 lab support).

**This program includes the course work for add-on certification in Elementary Education (1st – 6th grades).**

If you have dual credit or transfer credit, please visit our transfer course equivalencies guide at semo.edu/transfercredit.

### SAMPLE FOUR-YEAR PLAN

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*Milestone: Maintain 2.75 cumulative GPA, Complete MEP*

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*Milestone: Maintain 2.75 cumulative GPA, Passing score MOGEA*

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*Milestone: Maintain 2.75 cumulative GPA, 3.0 GPA in Ed courses*

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*Milestone: Passing score MO Content Exams and MoPTA; 2.75 cumulative GPA; 3.0 GPA in professional education courses.*

A “Milestone” signifies a significant stage for a student in the completion of a degree.

Degree requirements for all students: a minimum of 120 credit hours, completion of University Studies program, completion of 39 senior division hours (300-599), career proficiencies (CL001-004), Writing Proficiency Exam (WP003), and completion of the Measure of Academic Proficiency and Progress (MAPP) at the senior level. Refer to the Undergraduate Bulletin or Degree Works for additional graduation requirements for your program.