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 to use and integrate 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 courses. In addition, students must pass the Missouri Content Exam 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.

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).

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

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.)

Special Options with Early Childhood Education

This program of study is also available at the Regional Campuses (Kennett and Sikeston) and the Poplar Bluff Delivery Site.
Southeast offers a Master of Arts in Elementary Education with an emphasis in Early Childhood Education.

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

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Transfer and Dual Credit Students

If you have dual credit or transfer credit, please visit our transfer course equivalencies guide at semo.edu/transfercredit.
This is a guide based on the 2018-2019 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.

Professional Education Courses:
A grade of "C" or better is required in education courses. A grade of "B" is required in ED 280.

- **BS118** 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)
- **CF 124** Child Health, Nutrition, Safety (3)
- **CF 233** Creative Thought & Expression in Children (3)
- **CF 285** Learning Theory/Infant Toddlers (3)
- **CF 512** 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** Rhetoric & Critical Thinking (3)
- **EX 390** Psychology of the Exceptional Child (3)
- **LI 243** Children’s Literature (3)
- **MA 128** Numbers and Operations for Educators (4)*
- **MA 228** Geometry for Educators (4)
- **PY/CF 120** The Child (3)
- **UI 506** Education Law and Society (3)

Additional Requirements:
- **BS 218** Biological Science (3)
- **CE 101** Economic Problems and Policies (3)
- **EN 100** English Composition (3)
- **PH 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.

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

**University Studies Requirements** – some requirements may be fulfilled by coursework in major program
- Social and Behavioral Sciences – 3 hours
- Constitution requirement – 3 hours
- US History requirement – 3 hours
- Written Communication – 6 hours
- Oral Communication – 3 hours
- Natural Sciences – 7 hours (from two disciplines, one to include a lab)
- Mathematics – 3 hours
- Humanities & Fine Arts – 9 hours (from at least two disciplines)
- Additional requirements – 5 hours (to include UI100 for native students)

This program includes the coursework for add-on certification in Elementary Education (1st – 4th grades).

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**SAMPLE FOUR-YEAR PLAN**

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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 semester division hours (300-599), 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.

**Degree Map 2018-2019**

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