Exceptional Child 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. Exceptional Child Education 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!

Exceptional Child Education students will...
- Be certified to teach students with exceptional learning needs in K - 12 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 Mo 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 or PY222 Adolescent Development;
- Score of 220 or higher on all sections of the Missouri General Education Assessment (MoGEA).

Special Options with Exceptional Child 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 Exceptional Child Education and a Master of Arts in Applied Behavior Analysis.

Education Outlook
- Students secure teaching positions across the state of Missouri, in surrounding states, and beyond.
- Exceptional Child Education graduates with add-on certification in Elementary Education find jobs as special education teachers in the elementary, middle or secondary grades, as well as general elementary teachers in public or private schools.
- Placement rates are high for alumni. Special education is a high need field, with our graduates in demand.
- First year teachers report feeling well prepared by Southeast Missouri State University on our annual survey of first-year teachers.
- Principals also report exceptional child 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

Graduation Requirements
- GPA: 2.75 cumulative; 3.0 professional education
- Pass the following Missouri Content Assessments:
  - 050 Mild/Moderate Cross Categorical
  - 007-010 Elementary Education Multi-Content (4 subtests)
- Complete all required course work and field experiences

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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 Degree Works 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 Requirements:
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)
- **CF 235** Creative Thought & Expression in Children (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 360** Integrated Math, Science, Social Sciences, Health Instruction (3)
- **EL 420** Assessment & Data Analysis (3)
- **EN 140** Rhetoric & Critical Thinking (3)
- **EX 302** Language Development of Children with Exceptionalities (3)
- **EX 304** Classroom & Behavior Management (3)
- **EX 305** Content Area Teaching: Learning and Transitioning for Secondary Students with Exceptionalities (3)
- **EX 309** Field Experience in the Education of Students with Exceptionalities in Middle/Secondary Settings (3)
- **EX 311** Introduction to Children with Exceptionalities (3)
- **EX 312** Diagnosis and Remediation of Math Difficulties (3)
- **EX 317** Assessment and Techniques of Teaching Children with Exceptionalities (3)
- **EX 373** Strategies and Techniques with a Learning Theory Base for Teaching Mild/Moderate Cross-Categorical (3)
- **EX 409** Advanced Field Experience in the Education of Students with Exceptionalities in Elementary Settings (3)
- **EX 480** Exceptional Child Education Student Teaching (12)
- **EX 507** Families and the Child with Exceptionalities (3)
- **LI 243** Children’s Literature (3)
- **MA 128** Numbers and Operations for Educators (4)*
- **MA 228** Geometry for Educators (4)
- **PYCF 120** The Child OR **PY 222** Development of the Adolescent (3)
- **UI 506** Education Law and Society (3)

### Additional requirements:
(Some courses may also meet University Studies requirements)

- **BS 218** Biological Science: A Process Approach (3)
- **EC 101** Economic Problems and Policies (3)
- **EN 100** English Composition I (3)
- **PH 218** Physical Science: A Process Approach (3)
- **PS 103** U.S. Political Systems (3)
- **SC 105** Fundamentals of Oral Communication (3)
- **UI 308** Physical & Cultural Landscapes (3)
- **US 101** American History I (3)

**Note:** All pre-education courses are prerequisite to all Education courses.

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

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

### University Studies Requirements

- 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 UI 100 for native students)

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**SAMPLE FOUR-YEAR PLAN**

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**FIRST YEAR**

Milestone: Maintain 2.75 cumulative GPA, 3.0 GPA in content courses; complete MEP

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**SECOND YEAR**

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**THIRD YEAR**

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**FOURTH YEAR**

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

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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 senior 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.

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