

# TEACHING AND LEARNING M.ED. - EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

## General Graduate Program Requirements

Graduate School policies and standards can be found on the Graduate School Policies page (<https://catalog.umt.edu/graduate/school-policies/>).

The minimum GPA for any graduate program is 3.0. Individual programs may require more than a 3.0 to remain in good standing.

The minimum grade for a course to be accepted toward any requirement is C. Individual programs may require higher grades for specific courses.

## MASTER OF EDUCATION - TEACHING AND LEARNING; EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION CONCENTRATION

- All requirements for the degree must be completed within 6 years, including successful completion of a departmental comprehensive examination.
- The Master of Education (M.Ed.) in Teaching and Learning with a concentration in Early Childhood Education is a good choice for currently licensed teachers who are interested in obtaining a Preschool - Third Grade (P-3) endorsement.
- Individuals who do not have current K-8 licensure can complete this degree for professional development. This option is a good choice for people working in community-based early childhood programs and referral agencies as well as people working with young children and their families in fields such as psychology, social work, sociology, anthropology, pre-medical science, and nursing.
- The degree is 100% online and aligns with the National Association for the Education of Young Children Professional Standards and Competencies for Early Childhood Educators.

## Course Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Core Courses</b>		
Complete one of the following foundation of education courses:		3
EDU 502	Philosophy of Education	
EDU 504	History of American Education	
EDU 510	Developmental & Learning Sciences	
Complete all of the following courses:		
EDU 514	Education Across Cultures	3
EDU 515	Computer/Technological Application in Education	3
EDU 518	Inclusion and Collaboration	3
EDU 520	Educational Research	3
<b>Early Childhood Education Concentration Courses</b>		
Complete all of the following courses:		
EDU 501	Curriculum Design, Implementation, & Evaluation	3
EDEC 508	Early Childhood Principles and Practices	3

EDEC 515	Educational Professionals Working With Families Experiencing Adversity	3
EDEC 520	Meeting Standards Through Play-Based Environments	3
EDEC 530	Social and Emotional Development in Young Children	3
EDEC 540	Neuroscience and Its Impact on Child Development	3
EDU 588	Action Research in Classroom	3
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>36</b>