

Elementary Education (ELED)

COURSES

ELED 4305. LANGUAGE AND LITERACY DEVELOPMENT IN EC-6 CLASSROOMS. 3 Hours.

Focus on children's developing verbal and non-verbal communication skills. Examine relationships among listening, speaking, reading, and writing. Consider theories of early literacy development. Special attention to the relationships among literacy, social, and cognitive development; technological advances; and diversity in children and families. Prerequisite: EDUC 4316; ELED 4317. Weekly field experience in EC-6 classrooms required.

ELED 4311. TEACHING MATHEMATICS IN EARLY AND ELEMENTARY EDUCATION. 3 Hours.

Principles of integration of mathematics concepts in relation to cognitive development. Emphasis on developing dispositions promoting scientific investigation and appropriate objects, materials, activities and programs to assist in assimilation of mathematics concepts. Course will also address the instructional needs and appropriate assessment of all students in inclusive, multicultural and multilingual classrooms for this content area; 20 hours field-based experiences required. Prerequisite: ELED 4312, ELED 4314. Taken concurrently with BEEP 4385.

ELED 4312. TEACHING SCIENCE AND HEALTH IN EARLY AND ELEMENTARY EDUCATION. 3 Hours.

Principles of integration of science and health concepts in relation to cognitive, socio-emotional, and psychomotor development. Emphasis on developing dispositions promoting scientific investigation and appropriate objects, materials, activities and programs to assist in assimilation of science and health concepts. Course will also address the instructional needs and appropriate assessment of all students in inclusive, multicultural and multilingual classrooms for this content area; 20 hours field-based experiences required. Prerequisite: Taken concurrently with ELED 4314.

ELED 4313. ARTS IN ELEMENTARY EDUCATION. 3 Hours.

Provides EC-6 candidates with an understanding of how experiences in visual art, music, drama and movement are integrated throughout elementary curriculum to support children's learning and development. Candidates will learn the importance of the arts for children's cognitive, socio-emotional and psychomotor development. Course will also address the instructional needs and appropriate assessment of all students in inclusive, multicultural, and multilingual classrooms for this content area. Field-based experiences required - One full day per week on elementary campus. Prerequisite: EDUC 4316 and ELED 4317. Taken concurrently with ELED 4321 and BEEP 4306.

ELED 4314. TEACHING SOCIAL STUDIES AND FINE ARTS IN EARLY AND ELEMENTARY EDUCATION. 3 Hours.

Examination of materials, methods, content, and assessment learning experiences associated with elementary social studies and fine arts. Content areas include history, geography, economics, government, citizenship, culture, science, technology and society. Opportunities to demonstrate applications in field settings. Course will also address the instructional needs and appropriate assessment of all students in inclusive, multicultural, and multilingual classrooms for this content area; 20 hours field experiences required. Prerequisites: Taken concurrently with ELED 4312.

ELED 4317. GROWTH, DEVELOPMENT, AND LEARNING THEORY. 3 Hours.

Examination of the relationship between major theories and principles of cognitive, socio-emotional, and psychomotor development and EC-6 student learning, home-school connections, and behavior in the classroom. Emphasis on environmental and cultural influences on children's development and learning, prenatal through age 12. Prerequisite: ELED 4311, ELED 4312, ELED 4314.

ELED 4321. CLASSROOM MANAGEMENT, PEDAGOGY, AND PRACTICES IN EC-6 EDUCATION. 3 Hours.

A study of developmentally appropriate curriculum and methods for elementary classrooms, including diversity, assessment, behavior guidance and management, planning instruction, and creating a positive learning environment. Course will also address instructional needs and appropriate assessment of all students in inclusive, multicultural, and multilingual classrooms. Field observations required. Prerequisites: EDUC 4316, ELED 4317.

ELED 4687. CLINICAL TEACHING IN EARLY AND ELEMENTARY EDUCATION. 6 Hours.

Full-day, Monday - Friday, supervised and directed clinical teaching in university-approved EC-6 classrooms. Candidates will have two placements: one in PK-2 and one in grade 3-6. Clinical teaching must immediately follow the field-based experiences semester. Candidates will follow the school district's calendar, and report to the classroom all day and each day of the semester. Prerequisites: ELED 4311, ELED 4312, ELED 4314, ELED 4317, BEEP 4306, BEEP 4384; LIST 4373, LIST 4374, LIST 4376, EDUC 3301, EDUC 4318, EDUC 4319.

ELED 5309. TRENDS AND ISSUES IN EARLY CHILDHOOD AND ELEMENTARY EDUCATION. 3 Hours.

In-depth analysis of current research and practical articles on trends and issues in early childhood and elementary education. Emphasis on the evaluation and impact of historical, political, and social policy; overview of legislation and advocacy on behalf of young children.

ELED 5312. EC6: INSTRUCTIONAL STRATEGIES IN SCIENCE. 3 Hours.

Study of principles of integration of content in EC-6 classrooms with focus on science concepts and cognitive development. Emphasis on developing dispositions toward scientific inquiry and the use of appropriate objects, materials, activities, and programs to assist in the learning of science concepts.

ELED 5315. CLINICAL TEACHING. 3 Hours.

Clinical teaching in candidate's certification area(s). This semester-long experience will help candidates apply theory and research to practice.

ELED 5317. THEORIES OF CHILD DEVELOPMENT AND LEARNING. 3 Hours.

Human growth and development, including developmental anomalies, from birth through middle childhood with emphasis on cognitive, social, emotional, and physical growth. Attention is given to current research regarding establishment of learning environments that foster development of the child's self-concept, cognitive competencies, oral language and literacy development, and positive social behaviors including appreciation of diversity among individuals and groups.

ELED 5318. FOUNDATIONS IN EC6 EDUCATION. 3 Hours.

An overview of historical and philosophical influences and current research in early and elementary education on promoting educational environments that support development of the whole child. Attention is given to the development and implementation of appropriate EC-6 curricula and programs that extend and integrate learning experiences of children, including the home-school relationship; 20 hours field experiences required.

ELED 5319. EC6 EDUCATION: INSTRUCTIONAL STRATEGIES IN MATHEMATICS. 3 Hours.

Study of principles of integration of content in EC-6 classrooms with focus on mathematics concepts and cognitive development. Emphasis on developing dispositions toward the use of appropriate objects, materials, activities, and programs to assist in learning of mathematics concepts.

ELED 5320. EC6 EDUCATION: INSTRUCTIONAL STRATEGIES IN SOCIAL STUDIES AND THE CREATIVE ARTS. 3 Hours.

Study of principles of integration of content in EC-6 classrooms with focus on social studies, the creative arts, and cognitive and socio-emotional development. Emphasis on developing dispositions promoting awareness of self and others, and the study of group dynamics involved in the socialization process in a diverse community. Strategies for enhancing creativity and risk-taking characteristics in EC-6 classrooms.

ELED 5321. EC-6: CLASSROOM MANAGEMENT & INSTRUCTIONAL STRATEGIES. 3 Hours.

This course explores a variety of effective classroom management and instructional strategies which include developmentally appropriate, research-based, and anti-biased curricular and materials to teach the core content subjects of English language arts, mathematics, science, and social studies in ESL elementary classrooms. This course also examines challenges to inquiry-based instruction, including those related to assessment, behavior guidance and management, planning instruction, and diversity; 20 hours of field observations are required.

ELED 5390. SELECTED TOPICS IN ELEMENTARY EDUCATION. 3 Hours.

An examination of different topics related to elementary education. This course may be repeated for credit with permission.

ELED 5391. INDEPENDENT RESEARCH. 3 Hours.

Research over a topic agreed upon between the student and instructor. May be repeated for credit with permission.