

**Master's Degree Program in Early Childhood/Elementary Teaching**  
(36 hours M.Ed.\*)

**Required Areas of Study**

**1. Early Childhood Education**

Students will select 9 credit hours from the following:

- Social Contexts of Childhood Education (EDC 385G)
- Inquiry in Play (EDC 385G)
- Social Construction of Thinking in Childhood (EDC 385G)
- Parents and Education (EDC 385G)
- Theories of Childhood (EDC 385G)
- Early Childhood Education Programs (EDC 385G)
- Early Childhood Teacher Education (EDC 385G)
- Critical Perspectives on Childhood Education (EDC 385G)
- Research Seminar

**2. Elementary Education**

Students will select 9 credit hours from the following:

- Inquiry in the Middle Grades (Inquiry in Education (EDC 385G)
- Seminar in Elementary School Curriculum (EDC 384P)
- Multicultural Curriculum and Teaching, (EDC 384P)
- Social Education through the Humanities and Literature (EDC 384P)
- International Austin-the City as Multicultural Classroom (EDC 385G)
- Teaching, Elementary School Subjects: Reading/ Language Arts or Language Arts/ Reading (EDC 382E)
- Children's Literature (EDC 384P)
- Psychology of Reading (PSY 338K)
- Reading- Difficulties (EDC 385G)
- Diagnostic and Prescriptive Reading, Instruction (EDC f684PA)
- Diagnostic and Prescriptive Language Arts Instruction (EDC f684PB)
- Biliteracy (EDC 385G)
- Contemporary Problems in Science and Math Education (EDC 385G)
- Curriculum/Instruction in Math/Science Education (EDC 385G)
- Knowing and Learning, in Math and Science Education (EDC 385G)
- Teaching Elementary School Subjects: Social Studies (EDC 382E)
- Multimedia Authoring, (EDC 385G)
- Interactive Multimedia Design and Production (EDC 385G)  
(prerequisite – EDC 385G: Multimedia Authoring, its equivalent, or instructor's approval)
- Ed. Comm. Seminar: Teaching and Learning with the Internet (EDC 385G)
- Knowing and Learning in Mathematics and Science (EDC 385G)
- Curriculum and Instruction in Mathematics and Science (EDC 385G)

**3. Research methods**

Students will select 3 credit hours from the following:

- Educational Research and Design 9EDC 384P)
- Another course chosen in consultation with Program Advisor

**4. Courses out of department (student choice)**

Students will select 6 credit hours outside of Curriculum & Instruction; suggested courses are:

- Trends/Issues in Early Childhood Education (SED 396C)
- Current Research in Early Childhood Education (SED 384)
- Children's Exercise and Activity (KIN 395)
- Children's Dramatic Literature (DRM 383P)

**5. Electives**

M.Ed., students select 9 additional credit hours of electives

\*No more than 3 upper-division undergraduate courses for the M.Ed.

\*No more than 6 hours may be taken credit/no credit.

\*No more than 3 hours of independent study.