Master's Degree Program in Early Childhood/Elementary Teaching
(33 hours M.A. or M.Ed. with report*)

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 (EDC 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. Elective and report credits
For the Master’s degree with report, students will take 3 credit hours of report (EDC 398R) and with 3 additional credit hours of elective

*No more than 2 upper-division undergraduate courses are allowed for this Master’s degree
*No more than 6 hours may be taken credit/no credit.
*No more than 3 hours of independent study.