

## Bachelor of Science (BS) Early Care and Early Childhood Studies Teacher Certification

## 2025-2026

н	Course #	Course Title	Min. GEC Grade	Prerequisite	Additional Notes
3	Choose 1	Communication	C 010	For all 010 courses: Satisfactory scores on English portion of ACT test and TSI examination or ENGL 0301. For ENGL 1302, a grade of "C" or better in ENGL 1301.	See General Education Core for more details Option: ENGL 1301
3	Choose 1	American History	060		See General Education Core for more details. Options: HIST 1301 or HIST 2327
3	MATH 1314	College Algebra	C 020	College Ready TSI status in Mathematics.College Ready TSI status in Mathematics or MATH 0314/0332/0342.	
3	Choose 1	Creative Arts	050		See General Education Core for course options.
3	Choose 1	Integrative/Experiential Learning Option	090		See General Education Core for course options.
	UNIV	1301 Learning Framework 1101 Academic and Career Success 1001/1300 Living and Working by Design			As required, based on a number of factors such as credit hours earned, TSI high school rank, major declaration, etc.
15 Se	mester Total Hours				
3	Choose 1	Communication	C 010	For all 010 courses: Satisfactory scores on English portion of ACT test and TSI examination or ENGL 0301. For ENGL 1302, a grade of "C" or better in ENGL 1301.	See General Education Core for more details Options: ENGL 1302 or ENGL 1305
3	Choose 1	American History	060		See General Education Core for more details. Options: HIST 1302 or HIST 2328
3	Choose 1	Social and Behavioral Sciences	080		See General Education Core for course options.
3	MATH 1350	Fundamentals of Mathematics I	с	Minimum grade of 'C' in one of the following: MATH 1314, MATH 1414, MATH 2412, or MATH 2413.	Prerequisite to Teacher Education Program Admission
1	Choose 1	Integrative/Experiential Learning Option	090		See General Education Core for course options.
13 Se	mester Total Hours				
4	Choose 1	Life and Physical Sciences	030/ 090	May apply pending course selection	See General Education Core for course options. If taking lab, earn 1 hr appl Integrative/Experiential Learning. See degree plan for details.
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8 Se	mester Total Hours				
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3	MATH 1351	Fundamentals of Mathematics II		MATH 1350 with a grade of 'C' or better.	Prerequisite to Teacher Education Program Admission
3	SCIE 3301	Science for Elementary Teachers I		Must be a declared major in the following College of Education and P-16 Integration programs: BS Education, BS Special Education and BS Early Care and Early Childhood Studies (Teacher Certification).	Satisfies Major-Specific Requirement.
3	POLS 2305	U.S. Federal Govt & Politics	070		
3	Choose 1	Language, Philosophy & Culture	040		See General Education Core for course options.
12 Se	mester Total Hours				
3	HIST 3309	History Foundations for Elementary Social Studies Educators		Grade of "C" or better in HIST 1301 and HIST 1302 and Sophomore standing. Must be a declared major in the following College of Education and P-16 Integration programs: BS Education, BS Special Education, BS Bilingual Education, and BS Early Care and Early Childhood Studies (Teacher Certification).	Satisfies Major-Specific Requirement.
3	SCIE 3302	Science for Elementary Teachers II		Must be a declared major in the following College of Education and P-16 Integration programs: BS Education, BS Special Education and BS Early Care and Early Childhood Studies (Teacher Certification).	Satisfies Major-Specific Requirement.
3	3XXX- 43XX	Free Elective			
3	READ 3320	Early Literacy Development			Recommended to be taken after admission.
	POLS 2306	Texas Government & Politics	070		
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Apply to College of Education and P-16 Integration Educator Preparation Program one semester prior (Summer for Fall and Fall for Spring)

The 2024-2026 list of core courses can be found in the 2024-2026 Undergraduate Catalog: www.utrgv.edu/catalog > See 'Bachelors Degree Program Regulations'

Symbols Key

Minimum Grade: A - Excellent; B - Good; C - Satisfactory; D - Below Average; CR - Credit; P - Passing; S - Satisfactory. Bolded Course #: Program Admission Requirement General Education Core (GEC) Sections: 010 - Communication; 020 - Mathematics; 030 - Life and Physical Sciences; 040 - Language, Philosophy & Culture; 050 - Creative Arts; 060 - American History; 070 - Government/Political Science; 080 - Social and Behavioral Sciences; 090 - Applied Communication and Literacies; 090 - Humanities; 090 - Leadership; 090 - Science Labs; 090 - Interdisciplinary; 090 - Technologies; 090 - Language Develva & Writing;

				and EDCI 4332. The EDCI 4331 and EDCI 4332 course sequence is only for students of the program. Please consult with the program coordinator for more information.	
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	EDCI 3331 or EPSY 3331	Human Development and Student Learning		Admission to the College of Education EC-6 Teacher Education Program.	
	EDCI 3332	Designing and Implementing Instruction and Assessment		Admission to the College of Education EC-6 Teacher Education Program.	This is Cluster 1.
	ECED 4391	Foundations of Early Childhood Education		Admission to the COE Teacher Preparation Program.	
	ECED 4392	Guidance of Young Children		Admission to the COE Teacher Preparation Program.	
	SPED 4310	Inclusion and Differentiated Instruction in Special Education		Admission to Teacher Prep if education major. No prereq if non education major.	
Se	emester Total Hours				
	EDCI 3333	Teaching Science to Elementary Students		EDCI 3331 and EDCI 3332	This is Cluster 2.
	EDCI 3334	Teaching Mathematics to Elementary Students		EDCI 3331 and EDCI 3332	
	ECED 4394	Principles of Curriculum Design in Early Childhood		Admission to the CEP Educator Preparation Program or consent of instructor for non- education major.	Cluster 1 courses in previous semester must be completed.
	ECED 4315	Linguistically-Diverse Early Childhood Students		Admission to CEP Educator Preparation Program or consent of instructor for non- education major.	
	EDSL 3310	Emergent Bilingual Students in Schools		Admission to the CEP Educator Preparation Program.	
Se	emester Total Hours				
	ECED 3310	Quality Program for Infants and Toddlers		Admission to the CEP Educator Preparation Program or consent of instructor for non- education major.	Admission to the CEP Educator Preparation Program required.
	ECED 4312	Administration of Child Development Centers		Admission to the CEP Educator Preparation Program or consent of instructor for non- education major.	Admission to the CEP Educator Preparation Program required.
Se	emester Total Hours				
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	EDCI 3335	Teaching Social Studies to Elementary Students		EDCI 3334	This is Cluster 3.
	ECED 4314	Dynamics of Play and Play Environments in Childhood		Admission to CEP Educator Preparation Program or consent of instructor for non- education major.	
	ECED 4395	STEAM for Young Children		Admission to the CEP Educator Preparation Program or consent of instructor for non- education major.	Cluster 2 courses in previous semester must be completed.
	READ 3324	Reading Comprehension and Assessment		READ 3320 and Admission to the CEP Educator Preparation Program.	
Se	emester Total Hours				
		Apply to Clinical Teaching	orogram	one semester prior to Student Teaching semester (Spring for Fall and Fall for Spring	).
	EDCI 4637 or EDCI 4331 and 4332	Student Teaching for Elementary Teachers (EC-6) or Clinical Teaching Residency I for Elementary Teachers (EC-6) and Clinical Teaching Residency II for Elementary Teachers (EC-6)		Admission to the College of Education Student Teaching Program or Admission to the College of Education Clinical Teaching Residency Program.	All Education courses must be completed prior to admission to Clinical T Passing identified TExES certification exams is required before EDCI 4637 be taken last semester. Only offered Fall or Spring.
	EDCI 4320	Professional Development in Teaching		Admission to clinical teaching. Students must be concurrently enrolled in EDCI 4637 or EDC 4332.	1

120 TOTAL HOURS (42) Advanced minimum credit hours

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