The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley

Bachelor of Science (BS) Early Care and Early Childhood Studies

2025-2026

		Course Title Min. Grade	GEC	Prerequisite	Additional Notes					
з	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					
з	3 Choose 1	American History	060		See General Education Core for more details. Options: HIST 1301 or HIST 2327					
з	3 Choose 1	Mathematics C	020	College Ready TSI status in Mathematics.	See General Education Core for course options.					
FALL	3 Choose 1	Creative Arts	050		See General Education Core for course options.					
3	3 Choose 1	Social and Behavioral Sciences	080		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 status, high school rank, major declaration, etc.					
1	15 Semester Total Hours									
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3	3 Choose 1	American History	060		See General Education Core for more details. Options: HIST 1302 or HIST 2328					
SPRING	3 Choose 1	Integrative and Experiential Learning	090		See General Education Core for course options.					
з	3 Choose 1	Language, Philosophy & Culture	040		See General Education Core for course options.					
1:	2 Semester Total Hours									
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3	3 POLS 2305	U.S. Federal Govt & Politics	070							
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	4 Choose 1	U.S. Federal Govt & Politics	030/		See General Education Core for course options. 1 hour of lab for Core 090. See degree plan for recommended options.					
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Symbols Key

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'

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 Diversity & Writing.

	All ECED classes for students on the non-certification track are offered on Monday and Wednesday evenings. Be sure to check the course description in ASSIST when registering.									
	н	Course #	Course Title Min. Grade	GEC	Prerequisite	Additional Notes				
	3	XXXX X3XX	Free Elective			See degree plan for recommended options.				
	3	SPED 1390	Intro to Exceptional Children			Satisfies Major-Specific Requirement.				
FALL	3	XXXX X3XX	Free Elective			See degree plan for recommended options.				
	3	XXXX X3XX	Free Elective			See degree plan for recommended options.				
	12 Semester Total Hours									
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	3	XXXX X3XX	Free Elective			See degree plan for recommended options.				
	12 Seme	ester Total Hours								
	3	ECED 3310	Quality Programs for Infants & Toddlers		Admission to CEP Educator Preparation Program or consent of instructor for non- education major.	Satisfies Major-Specific Requirement.				
ĸ	3	EPSY 3331	Human Dev & Stud Learning		Admission to the College of Education EC-6 Teacher Education Program.	See degree plan for recommended options.				
SUMME	3	ECED 4312	Administration of Child Development Centers		Admission to CEP Educator Preparation Program or consent of instructor for non- education major.	Satisfies Major-Specific Requirement.				
	3	EPSY 3332	Working with Families			See degree plan for recommended options.				
	12 Semester Total Hours									
		Course #	Course Title Min. Grade		Prerequisite	Additional Notes				
	3	ECED 4315	Linguistically-Diverse Early Childhood Students		Admission to CEP Educator Preparation Program or consent of instructor for non- education major.	Satisfies Major-Specific Requirement.				
	3	ECED 4391	Foundations of Early Childhood Education		Admission to the COE Teacher Preparation Program.	Satisfies Major-Specific Requirement.				
Ę	3	ECED 4392	Guidance of Young Children		Admission to the COE Teacher Preparation Program.	Satisfies Major-Specific Requirement.				
2	3	ECED 4395	STEAM for Young Children		Admission to CEP Educator Preparation Program or consent of instructor for non- education major.	Satisfies Major-Specific Requirement.				
~	3	SPED 4310	Inclusion and Differentiated Instruction in Special Education		Admission to Teacher Prep if education major. No prereq if non education major.	Satisfies Major-Specific Requirement.				
H YEA	15 Seme	ester Total Hours								
FOURT	3	SPED 4395	Special Education Practicum in Behavior Techniques		Admission to the CEP Educator Preparation Program. No prerequisite if non-education major.	Satisfies Major-Specific Requirement.				
	3	ECED 3307	Knowledge and Skills of Preschool Teachers			Satisfies Major-Specific Requirement.				
RING	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.	Satisfies Major-Specific Requirement.				
ß	3	ECED 4394	Principles of Curriculum Design in Early Childhood		Admission to CEP Educator Preparation Program or consent of instructor for non- education major.	Satisfies Major-Specific Requirement.				
	3	ECED 4380	Field Experience Childhood Settings		Approval of program coordinator.	Satisfies Major-Specific Requirement.				
	15 Semester Total Hours									

120 TOTAL HOURS

(42) Advanced minimum credit hours

Revised: Tuesday, February 18th, 2025