

## **M.Ed. in Early Childhood Education**

### **Description**

Quality pre-K educators make a lifelong impact on children. Our M.Ed. degree helps teachers, administrators, and others utilize the best practices and latest research related to the cognitive, social, and emotional development of young children. Candidates completing the M.Ed. in Early Childhood Education (ECE) program are effectively prepared to become professionals in a variety of roles within the field of early childhood education. Applicants to the M.Ed. in early childhood education may apply to one of two program options: Residential Program or Online Program. The two options have the same requirements.

### **Minimum Total Credit Hours: 30**

### **Goals/Mission Statement**

The philosophy of the Department of Teacher Education, as it applies to the preparation of teachers, is reflected by the belief that teachers should be prepared to - Develop and engage in appropriate teaching strategies by studying, interacting, practicing, and reflecting; Collaborate in identifying and meeting the broad range of goals for which schools are responsible in today's society; Show by modeling and encouraging students the dispositions of leading, thinking, problem solving, and lifelong learning; Respect and serve culturally diverse populations and communities; and Assume responsibility for the quality and effectiveness of their professional lives.

### **Course Requirements**

The M.Ed. degree requires 30 semester hours of course work.

