

**EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION MAJOR AND EC LICENSURE PROGRAM
CURRICULUM and CONTENT KNOWLEDGE POLICY PLANNING GUIDE*
FOR: Fall Admits to the Educator Preparation Program (EPP)
Effective Fall 2025**

The Early Childhood Education (ECE) program begins at a Wisconsin Technical College System or the College of Lake County** through approved articulation agreements updated for September 2025. Students must complete the Associate of Applied Science in Early Childhood degree at their respective institution then transfer to UW-Parkside to complete the ECE Bachelor's degree program. Overall transfer requirements include: a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.75**, a minimum Early Childhood GPA of 3.0, and all grades C+ or above in EC courses in the AAS. See the articulation agreements for additional course requirements and details.

DEVELOPING and DEMONSTRATING EXPERTISE SEQUENCE COURSES					
Semester	Course #	Course Title	Field Exp Hrs	Offered	Credits
1-Fall	EDU 212	Mathematics for Elementary and Middle School Teachers I		Fall/Spring	3
	EDU 304	Context and Culture in Learning Environments		Fall Only	3
	EDU 312	Designing Learning Curriculum (formerly EDU 321)		Fall/Spring	3
	EDU 332	Foundations of Literacy		Fall Only	2
	EDU 333	Children’s and Adolescent Literature and New Literacies		Fall Only	3
Recommended: Take Gen. Ed. courses; consult the Content Knowledge Policy (CKP) on the following page and meet with your EDU Advisor. Required to move to the next Semester: - Successful completion of EDU 212, a grade of C+ or above - Cumulative GPA of 2.75 or higher in all degree course work <u>and</u> EDU major GPA of 3.0 or higher, with all EDU course grades C+ or above					
Semester	Course #	Course Title	Field Exp Hrs	Offered	Credits
2-Spring	EDU 430	Using Action Research to Improve Instruction	60 hours	Fall/Spring	2
	EDU 325	Introduction to Second Language Acquisition (formerly EDU 435)		Spring Only	3
	EDU 431	Teaching Developmental Mathematics, K-3		Spring Only	3
	EDU 432	Teaching Developmental Literacy, K-3		Spring Only	3
	EDU 433	Teaching Developmental Science, K-9		Spring Only	3
	Gen. Ed.	Per CKP (next page) ; work with EDU Advisor			
Recommended prior to the next Semester: - Take the Foundations of Reading (FORT) assessment - Complete General Education coursework; see the CKP information on the following page and meet with your EDU Advisor Required to move to the next Semester: - Successful completion of all EDU courses in Fall and Spring (as listed above), with all EDU course grades C+ or above - Cumulative GPA of 2.75 or higher in all degree course work <u>and</u> EDU major GPA of 3.0 or higher					
DEMONSTRATING EXPERTISE IN PRACTICE SEQUENCE COURSES					
Semester	Course #	Course Title	Field Exp Hrs	Offered	Credits
3-Fall	EDU 440	Teacher Preparation Portfolio Design (pre-req. EDU 430)	60 hours	Fall/Spring	2
	Gen. Ed.	Per CKP (next page) ; work with EDU Advisor			
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Required to move to Residency (Student Teaching): - Successful completion of all coursework required for degree, including Gen. Eds., and all EDU major requirements (except EDU 420 and 425) - Cumulative GPA of 2.75 or higher <u>and</u> EDU major GPA of 3.0 or higher, with all EDU course grades C+ or above - Meet the Content Knowledge Assessment Policy requirements or Pass the WI DPI required ECE Praxis II 5018, Elementary Education (see p. 2) - Successful completion of the Pre-Residency Portfolio with a score of 20 or higher - Criminal background check within last two years that will remain valid through Residency - Submission of completed Residency Application by due date listed on form - Admitted to Residency					
RESIDENCY (STUDENT TEACHING) COURSES AT UW-PARKSIDE					
4-Spring	EDU 420	Residency Seminar	Full semester PI 34.023(2)(c)	Fall/Spring	2
	EDU 425	Residency (Student Teaching)		Fall/Spring	10
Required for endorsement of licensure: - Successful completion (grade of CR) of EDU 420 and 425 - Successful completion of the Pedagogical Knowledge Assessment (see p. 2) - Passing score on the Foundation of Reading Test (FoRT 890)					

* All programs leading to licensure must meet the requirements of the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction and PI 34. DPI may make changes to the requirements for licensure at any time that may affect the program. It is the student's responsibility to ensure that they meet with the Teacher Education Advisor each semester to ensure that they have the most current program information. Advising by anyone but the Teacher Education Advisor will not be deemed official for this program.

** For specifics on the CLC to UW-Parkside grading systems agreement, see the CLC ECE Articulation Agreement.

REQUIRED ASSESSMENTS IN THE EDUCATOR PREPARATION PROGRAM

Foundations of Reading Test - FoRT 890

All ECE candidates are required to pass the Foundations of Reading Test, a test of reading instruction knowledge and skills administered by Pearson. The FoRT 890 must be taken and passed prior to endorsement for licensure, but is not a requirement for admission to Residency.

Pedagogical Knowledge Assessment

Candidates are required to complete and pass an assessment of pedagogical knowledge prior to being endorsed for licensure. At UW-Parkside, this includes successful completion of the Pre-Residency Portfolio and evaluations of real-time teaching during Residency.

Content Knowledge Policy for Early Childhood Education (Birth – Grade 3)

Option 1	3.0 or higher cumulative GPA in each content area in the table below, one course in each indicated section
Option 2	Passing Score on Praxis II 5018, Elementary Education.

Content Area	Section 1	Section 2	Section 3	Section 4
English	Oral & Written Comm. ENGL 101: Composition and Reading ***	Oral & Written Comm. COMM 105: Public Speaking-21st Century***	Language & Linguistics EDU 332: Foundations of Literacy	Language & Linguistics EDU 325: Intro. to Second Language Acquisition
Mathematics	<i>One of the following: ***</i> - MATH 102: Quantitative Reasoning (Prior-MATH 104 Quant. Reas.) - MATH 104: College Mathematics with Application - MATH 111: College Algebra I - A course beyond MATH 111 with approval of T Ed.	EDU 212: Mathematics for Elementary and Middle School Teachers I	N/A	N/A
Science	Life Science <i>One of the following:</i> - BIOS 100: Nature of Life - BIOS 101: Bioscience - BIOS 103: Human Biology	Earth and Space Science <i>One of the following:</i> - GEOG 100: Phys. Geog. and the Environment - GEOS 100: Earth in Perspective - PHYS 110: Intro to Astronomy - PHYS 120: Astronomy of Native America (DV)	Physical Science <i>One of the following:</i> - CHEM 100: The World of Chemistry - CHEM 101: General Chemistry I - PHYS 101: Principles of Physics	N/A
Social Studies	Geography <i>One of the following:</i> - GEOG 101: Geography of American Ethnicity and Race (DV) - GEOG 105: Contemporary Human Geography - GEOG 110: Introduction to Geography - World Regions	U.S. History <i>One of the following:</i> - HIST 101: U.S., Origins to Reconstruction - HIST 102: U.S., Reconstruction to Recent Times	Social Science <i>One of the following:</i> - ECON 101: American Economy - POLS 100: American Politics - SOCA 101: Intro. to Sociology	World History <i>One of the following:</i> - HIST 119: Western Civilization II: Middle Ages to 1815 - HIST 128: World History III: 1800 - Present

*** Taken in the AAS EC program prior to transferring to UW-Parkside's ECE Bachelor's program. The grade from the AAS transcript is used.