

**Early Childhood Education  
BA Program: Option 1 – Initial Licensure  
Governors State University**

**Program Schedule – Spring Start**

*Note: Schedule, course offerings, days and times could change*

**Degree:** Bachelor of Arts in Early Childhood Education (initial licensure, PEL)

**Intended Audience:** Individuals who seek to earn a Bachelor’s degree and a teaching license

**Total Hours, Program:** 42 hours (14 courses)

**Total Hours, Introductory:** 15 hours (5 courses)

**Total Hours, BBED Courses:** 18 hours (6 courses)

**Total Hours, Gen Eds:** 49-52 hours

**Total Semesters, Program:** 5 (>2 years)

**Total Hours, Degree:** 121

**Course Modality:** daytime, face-to-face (BBED = online)

*\*note: this is a suggested schedule*

Course No.	Course Name	Credit Hours	Field Exp Total Hours	Field Experience Hours Info	Field Exp Location	Day/Time Delivery
<b>Semester 1 (Spring) - 15 weeks</b>						
EDEC 3099	Developmentally Appropriate Practice in ECE	4	2 hours	service learning	External site	Tuesday 9:00am-12:15pm
EDUC 3410	Classroom Management	1				Thursday 4:00 or 5:00pm
BBED courses	courses vary (per individual plan)		varies			online
<b>Semester 2 (Summer, May 15 to June 30) - 6 weeks</b>						
EDEC 3590	STEAM in Education	3				Tuesday & Thursdays 8:30am-12:00pm
EDEC 3570	Assessment & Differentiated Instruction in ECE	3				Mondays & Wednesdays 8:30am-12:00pm
BBED courses	courses vary (per individual plan)		varies			online
<b>Semester 3 (Fall) - 15 weeks</b>						
EDEC 4550	Family, Community, & Culture	3	3 hours			Thursday 12:00-3:00pm
EDEC 4551	Field Experience 1: Infants, Toddlers, and Families	1	35+ hours	Infants & toddlers: 2.5 hrs/day, 1 day/week, for 14 wks	Family Development Center at GSU	Thursday 8:30am-11:30am
EDEC 4560	Curriculum, Literacy, & Exceptional Learners in Preprimary Grades	3				Tuesday 12:00-3:00pm
EDEC 4561	Field Experience 2: Preprimary Grades	1	PreK:15 hours K: 20 hours	PreK: 2.5 hrs/day, 1 day/week, for 6 weeks K: 2.5 hrs/day, 1 day/week, for 8 weeks	PreK: childcare center K: K-2/Elem School	Tuesday 8:30am-11:30am
EDUC 3440	Educational Psychology II: Learning, Assessment, & CM	3	15 hours		K-2: Elem School	Tuesday 4:30-7:20pm
BBED courses	courses vary (per individual plan)		varies			online
<b>Semester 4 (Spring) - 15 weeks</b>						
EDEC 4570	Literacy in ECE	3				Tuesday 9:00am-12:00pm
EDEC 4571	Field Experience 3: Literacy in Primary Grades	1	36+ hours	1 full school day, 1 day/week, for 14 wks <i>*shared with FE4</i>	K-2 School -1 <sup>st</sup> /2 <sup>nd</sup> grade, literacy	Thursday 8am-4pm <i>*shared FE3&amp;4, same day</i>
EDEC 4580	Math, Science, Social Studies in ECE	3				Saturday 1:00-4:00pm
EDEC 4581	Field Experience 4: Math, Science, Social Studies in Primary Grades	1	36+ hours	1 full school day, 1 day/week, for 14 wks <i>*shared with FE3</i>	K-2 School -1 <sup>st</sup> /2 <sup>nd</sup> grade, math/sci/ss	Thursday 8am-4pm <i>*shared FE3&amp;4, same day</i>
BBED courses	courses vary (per individual plan)		varies			online
<b>Semester 5 (Fall) - 15 weeks</b>						
EDEC 4999	Student Teaching in Early Childhood Education	12		8 hrs/day, 5 days/week for 15 weeks	K, 1, or 2: Elem School	M-F 8am-4pm
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