

Early Childhood Education
Bachelor’s Program: Option 1 – Initial Licensure
Governors State University

Program Schedule – Fall 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, Professional: 42 hours (14 courses)

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

Total Hours, Introductory: 12 hours (4 courses)

Total Hours, Gen Eds: 49-52 hours

Total Semesters, Program: 5 (>2 years)

Total Hours, Program: 72 (24 courses), *not including GenEds*

Total Hours, Degree: 121

Course Offering: Daytime, Face-to-face (BBED = online)

Course No.	Course Name	Credit Hours	Field Hours	Field Experience Info	Day/Time	Modality/ Location
Semester 1 (Fall) - 15 weeks						
EDEC 3099	Developmentally Appropriate Practice in ECE	4	2	service learning at external site	Tuesday 9:00am-12:15pm	F2F
EDUC 3410	Classroom Management	1			Thursday 4:30-5:30pm	Hybrid
BBED courses	courses vary (per individual plan)		varies	at elementary school	online	Online
Semester 2 (Spring) - 15 weeks						
EDEC 4550	Family, Community, & Culture	3			Thursday 12:00-3:00pm	F2F
EDEC 4551	Field Experience 1: Infants, Toddlers, and Families	1	35	2.5 hrs/day, 1 day/week, for 14 wks	Thursday 8:30am-11:30am	Supervisory; at FDC at GSU
EDEC 4560	Curriculum, Literacy, & Exceptional Learners in Preprimary Grades	3			Tuesday 12:00-3:00pm	F2F
EDEC 4561	Field Experience 2: Preprimary Grades	1	PreK:15 K: 20	PreK: 2.5 hrs/day, 1 day/week, for 6 weeks K: 2.5 hrs/day, 1 day/week, for 8 weeks	Tuesday 8:30am-11:30am	Supervisory; at child care center and elem school
EDUC 3440	Educational Psychology II: Learning, Assessment, & CM	3	15	Observational hours at elementary school	Tuesday 4:30-7:20pm	F2F
BBED courses	courses vary (per individual plan)		varies	At elementary school	online	Online
Semester 3 (Summer I, May 15 to June 30) - 7.5 weeks						
EDEC 3590	STEAM in Education	3			Tuesday & Thursday 8:30am-12:00pm	F2F
EDEC 3570	Assessment & Differentiated Instruction in ECE	3			Monday & Wednesday 8:30am-12:00pm	F2F
Semester 3 (Summer) - 12-15 weeks						
BBED courses	courses vary (per individual plan)		varies	At elementary school	online	Online
Semester 4 (Fall) - 15 weeks						
EDEC 4570	Literacy in ECE	3			Tuesday 9:00am-12:00pm	F2F
EDEC 4571	Field Experience 3: Literacy in Primary Grades	1	40	1 full school day, 1 day/week, for 14 wks *shared with FE4	Thursday 8am-4pm *FE3&4, same day	Supervisory; at elementary school
EDEC 4580	Math, Science, Social Studies in ECE	3			Saturday 1:00-4:00pm	F2F
EDEC 4581	Field Experience 4: Math, Science, Social Studies in Primary Grades	1	40	1 full school day, 1 day/week, for 14 wks *shared with FE3	Thursday 8am-4pm *FE3&4, same day	Supervisory; at elementary school
BBED courses	courses vary (per individual plan)		varies	At elementary school	online	Online
Semester 5 (Spring) - 15 weeks						
EDEC 4999	Student Teaching in Early Childhood Education	12		8 hrs/day, 5 days/week for 15 weeks	M-F 8am-4pm	

Note: This is a suggested schedule. Courses may need to be taken in different semesters depending on each individual candidate.