

Bachelor of Arts in Education

Early Childhood/Elementary Education

Early Childhood/Elementary Education is a double major program offered by CWU-Des Moines. This program, which has served the teacher preparation needs of the Puget Sound area for over 20 years, is widely respected by school districts in King and Pierce County.

A cohort model allows students to work cooperatively and collegially as part of a professional training curriculum. The program leads to Washington State Teacher Certification with Early Childhood (Birth – Grade 3) and Elementary Education (K – Grade 8) endorsements. This opportunity to complete a Bachelor of Arts degree in Early Childhood and Elementary Education while meeting teacher certification requirements is made available to residents of the greater Seattle and Tacoma area through cooperation with the Puget Sound and South Sound area Community Colleges.

This program is an evening program which begins in the Fall quarter. Students will need to plan for a total of seven quarters to complete the program, including a full summer quarter between the first and second academic years. Summer session begins during the third week of June, and ends in the third week of August. Student teaching will occur in the fall quarter of the senior year.



Application Process

This program begins only in the fall quarter of the academic year. Therefore those who are interested in future admission should plan carefully to meet the following requirements and procedures:

1. Meet CWU’s general education requirements through a community college direct transfer agreement (DTA), transfer bachelor’s degree, or equivalent from any state accredited college or university.
2. Complete the lower division prerequisites or their equivalents listed below. Equivalencies at community colleges around the state for the prerequisites can be found at www.cwu.edu/registrar/transfer-equivalencies-policies, or on the reverse side of this document.
3. Apply for admission to Central Washington University online at www.cwu.edu/admissions. Submit official electronic or hard copy transcripts from any colleges or universities you have attended to the Admissions Office in Ellensburg and provide the Des Moines Center with a student copy for advising purposes.
4. Be admitted to CWU’s Teacher Preparation Program (www.cwu.edu/teacher-certification/ for the application process and materials). Requirements include a minimum GPA of 3.0 for the most recent 45 quarter credits, and passing all portions of the NES test. Testing dates and information are available online at www.west.nesinc.com.
5. Make an appointment with an academic advisor as part of the application process.

Prerequisites for **ELEM EDUCATION/EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION (ECE)**

Area community college equivalents for CWU prerequisite courses

***SPECIFIC ONLY TO EARLY CHILDHOOD ED**

CWU COURSE	BELLEVUE	GREEN RIVER	HIGHLINE	PIERCE	SO. PUGET SOUND	SO. SEATTLE	TACOMA
EFC 310	EDUC& 205	EDUC& 205	EDUC& 202	EDUC& 202	EDUC& 205	EDUC& 202	EDUC& 205
MATH 164	MATH& 131	MATH 171	MATH 180	MATH& 131	MATH& 131	MATH& 131	MATH& 131
MATH 250	MATH& 132	MATH 172	MATH 181	MATH& 132	MATH& 132	MATH& 132	MATH& 132
PSY 314	PSYC& 200	PSYC& 200	PSYC& 200	PSYC& 200	PSYC& 200	PSYC& 200	PSYC& 200
EDEC 232*	EDUC& 115	EDUC& 115	EDUC& 115	EDUC& 115	EDUC& 115	N/A	EDUC& 115
Courses listed below are RECOMMENDED but NOT REQUIRED for entry—all courses may be taken once enrolled in the in the program, but doing so may result in an overload during one or more quarters.							
EFC 330	ECED 191, 192 or 193 5 or 6 credits	ECE 250 or EDUC 210 5 or 6 credits	EDUC 140 or EDUC 240 5 or 6 credits	EDUC 190D or EDUC 190E 5 or 6 credits	N/A	N/A	N/A

PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION PROGRAM

Credits

EDBL 401	Principles and Practices for Educating Linguistically Diverse Students	3
EDSE 302	Introduction to Students with Exceptionalities	3
EFC 210	Seminar	1
EFC 315	Educational Assessment.....	3
EFC 320	Multicultural Education.....	3
EFC 330	Field Experience.....	2
EFC 340	Methods of Instruction.....	3
EFC 350	Classroom Management.....	3
EFC 416	Educational Technology.....	3
EFC 440	Education Law.....	3
EFC 480	Student Teaching.....	16

ELEMENTARY EDUCATION MAJOR

EDEL 320	Integrated Arts in the Elementary School.....	5
EDEL 323	Teaching Elementary School Mathematics.....	4
EDEL 420	Social Sciences in the Elementary School.....	4
EDEL 423	Integrated Methods for the Elementary School.....	3
EDLT 308	Literacy I.....	3
EDLT 321	Teaching Children’s Literature.....	3
EDLT 409	Literacy II.....	5
EDLT 422	Teaching the Language Arts.....	4
HED 446	Health Education Curriculum for Elementary Teachers.....	3
PE 334	Physical Education Activities for Elementary School.....	3
SCED 322	Science Education in the Elementary School.....	4
Department-approved electives.....		3-5

EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION MAJOR

EDEC 306	Professional Growth & Expectations	2
EDEC 307	Equity, Culture, & Antibias in ECE.....	3
EDEC 312	Childhood Learning.....	3
EDEC 313	Materials and Manipulatives in ECE.....	3
EDEC 314	Learning Through Play.....	3
EDEC 321	Curriculum I—Infant & Toddler.....	3
EDEC 322	Parent Involvement.....	3
EDEC 411	Curriculum II—Preschool.....	3
EDEC 412	Responsible Childhood Assessment (or EFC 315: Educational Assessment).....	3
EDEC 422	Classroom Management in an ECE Classroom (or EFC 350: Classroom Management).....	3
EDEC 424	Curriculum III—Primary.....	3
EDEC 432	Theories of Child Development.....	3
EDEC 492	Senior Internship.....	3
EDEC 493	Practicum & Issues in ECE.....	12

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