



“It is not enough for the teacher to love the child. She must first love and understand the universe.”

MARIA MONTESSORI

## Early Childhood Education

# Picture a brighter future!

Now you can receive a bachelor's degree and also be certified to teach children birth through age 8.

Even before your student teaching begins, you'll take your methods courses at a local school and work in early childhood classrooms. This gives you the opportunity to apply what you're learning in a real classroom with real children. By the time you graduate, you'll know exactly what it's like working with young children in schools. Another benefit: All our school sites are chosen for their excellent teachers and programs.



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### The value of a cohort

The Early Childhood Education Program is a cohort program that begins in the fall semester and continues for two years.

In the cohort setting, you proceed through the program with a group of students as focused and dedicated as you are.

Throughout your four semesters, you will observe and work with children in preschool and K-2 educational settings.

Your classes and work in preschool and K-2 educational settings complement each other, as theory and practice blend together for a perfect mix!

### Your program of study:

#### FOUNDATION COURSES

*Schooling in America*

*Child Development*

*Early Language Acquisition  
and Literacy Development*

*Cultural Pluralism for  
Young Children*

#### ADVANCED COURSES

*Classroom Processes and Instruction*

*Children's Literature, Birth - Age 8*

*Methods of Educational Assessment*

*Inclusive Education for Students  
with Diverse Abilities*

*Structured English Immersion*

#### METHODS COURSES

*Language Arts and Communication*

*Reading and Decoding*

*Science and Health*

*Math and Technology*

*Social Science and Multiculturalism*

*Fine Arts*

#### STUDENT TEACHING

*You'll be in both preschool and  
K-2 classrooms.*



### Master the best ways to:

- Create developmentally appropriate and appealing learning environments for young children
- Reflect on your own teaching to create equitable learning for all students
- Design, plan, and implement early childhood instruction
- Modify instruction and learning environments based on the children in your classroom
- Develop and maintain communication with children's family and community members

