

ECSE - Program of Study 2025-2026

Two Semester Option

ECSE

Early Childhood Special Education - Preliminary Specialist Credential

After completion of the Preliminary Credential, candidates are eligible to take teaching positions. Following employment as a special education teacher, candidates have five years to complete Induction or the Clear Professional Credential.

Prerequisites - 16 Units

SPED 450 - Classroom Adaptation for Special Populations – 3 units (Formerly SPED 500) [Online]

SPED 501 - Typical & Atypical Learning Processes – 3 units [Online]

SPED 502 - Field Experiences in General and Special Education– 1 unit [Online]

SPED 527 - SPED In a Pluralistic Society – 3 units

DLE 915 A/B - Teaching and Learning in the Content Area: English Language Develop. / SDAIE - 3 units. [Online]

Additional Requirements

TE 280 - Health Ed for Teachers [Online]

CPR Training

U.S. Constitution

Subject Matter Competence

Basic Skills Requirement

Performance Assessments

Cycle 1

Cycle 2

Semester 1- Fall: 12 Units + 10 Practicum

Checklist

SPED 526 - Char.& Ed. Phys., Health, Sensory Impairments – 3 units

SPED 553 - Behavioral Strategies and Supports for Students with Disabilities – 3 units [Online]

CFD 580 - Observation & Assessments – 3 units

CFD 585 - Work w/ Family at Risk– 3 units

SPED 970B – Practicum in General & SPED – 4 units [Arranged- see class notes] – CAL-TPA

SPED 980D - Advanced Practicum - 6 units [Full-time student teaching]

Semester 2 - Spring: 14 Units + 10 Practicum

CFD 380 – Early Lang. & Literacy Develop. in a Linguistically Diverse Society – 3 units

SPED 530 - Issues in Autism – 3 units

SPED 560 - Applications of Technology for Individuals with Disabilities – 3 units [Hybrid]

SPED 543 - Ed. Programs & Services for Young Children w/ Disabilities– 3 units

SPED 562 - Collaboration, Legislation, And Educational Planning in SPED – 2 units

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