

# CURRICULUM & INSTRUCTION (M.ED.) - EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION (ADD-ON ENDORSEMENT)

**Important:** This degree plan is effective for those starting this degree program in fall 2024 through summer 2025. This degree plan will remain in effect for students who do not break enrollment or who do not change degree programs, concentrations, or cognates.

This program provides the option to earn an add-on endorsement to an existing initial Virginia teaching license. This program is not designed to meet the requirements for an initial teaching license. If the initial teaching license is not from Virginia, a Virginia initial teaching license must be obtained during the program.

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Advanced Education Core Courses</b>		
EDUC 604	Foundations of Education	3
EDUC 630	Technology Practices for Instructional Improvement	3
EDUC 671	Curriculum Evaluation	3
EDUC 673	Curriculum and Methods for Effective Instruction	3
<i>Choose one of the following:</i> 3		
EDUC 547	The Differentiated Classroom	
EDUC 624	Instructional Methods for Behavior and Learning	
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>15</b>

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Early Childhood Education Cognate</b>		
EDEC 653	Current Issues in Early Childhood Education	3
EDEC 655	Organization and Administration of Pre-Schools	3
EDEC 670	Curriculum and Methods for Early Childhood Education	3
EDUC 501	Advanced Child Development	3
EDUC 675	Elementary Curriculum and Methods	3
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>15</b>

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Professional Courses</b>		
EDUC 518	Educational Research and Assessment	3
<i>Choose one of the following:</i> 3		
EDEC 698	Directed Practicum Capstone: Early Childhood <sup>1</sup>	
EDUC 696	Current Issues in Education Capstone	
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>6</b>

<sup>1</sup> EDEC 698 is required for add-on endorsement in Virginia. Background check clearance required

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Gate Courses</b>		
EDGT 677	School of Education Gate 1 – Graduate Add-On Licensure	0

Code	Title	Hours
EDGT 679	School of Education Gate 2 – Graduate Add-On Licensure	0
EDGT 681	School of Education Gate 3 – Graduate Add-On Licensure	0
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>0</b>

*All applicable prerequisites must be met*

## Note

- No residency required

## Graduation Requirements

- Complete 36 hours
- A maximum of 50% of the program hours may be transferred if approved and allowable, including credit from an earned degree from Liberty University on the same academic level
- 2.5 GPA
- No more than two grades of C may be applied to the degree (includes grades of C+ & C-)
- No grade of D or below may be applied to the degree (includes grades of D+ & D-)
- Degree must be completed within 5 years
- Submission of Degree Completion Application must be completed within the last semester of a student's anticipated graduation date

## Program Offered in Online Format Course Sequence

Course	Title	Hours
<b>First Year</b>		
<b>First Semester</b>		
EDUC 501	Advanced Child Development	3
EDUC 518	Educational Research and Assessment	3
EDUC 604	Foundations of Education	3
EDGT 677	School of Education Gate 1 – Graduate Add-On Licensure	0
EDGT 679	School of Education Gate 2 – Graduate Add-On Licensure	0
		<b>9</b>
<b>Second Semester</b>		
EDEC 670	Curriculum and Methods for Early Childhood Education	3
EDUC 547 or EDUC 624	The Differentiated Classroom or Instructional Methods for Behavior and Learning	3
EDUC 630	Technology Practices for Instructional Improvement	3
		<b>9</b>

## Second Year

Code	Title	Hours
<b>First Semester</b>		
EDEC 653	Current Issues in Early Childhood Education	3
EDEC 655	Organization and Administration of Pre-Schools	3
EDUC 671	Curriculum Evaluation	3

<b>Course</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Hours</b>
EDGT 681	School of Education Gate 3 – Graduate Add-On Licensure	0
<b>Hours</b>		<b>9</b>
<b>Second Semester</b>		
EDUC 673	Curriculum and Methods for Effective Instruction	3
EDUC 675	Elementary Curriculum and Methods	3
EDUC 696 or EDEC 698	Current Issues in Education Capstone <sup>1</sup> or Directed Practicum Capstone: Early Childhood	3
<b>Hours</b>		<b>9</b>
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>36</b>

<sup>1</sup> EDEC 698 is required for add-on endorsement in Virginia. Background check clearance required.