This course plan is a recommended sequence for this major. Courses designated as critical (!) may have a deadline for completion and/or affect time to graduation. Please see the Program Notes section for details regarding “critical courses” for this particular Program of Study.

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Progression: Prepare for and take Praxis Core exams if SAT or ACT minimum score not met⁴

| Semester Three (15-16 Credit Hours) | | | | | | | |
| | MATH 221 Basic Concepts of Elementary Mathematics | 3 | C | | PR | MATH 111/111I or Math Placement Score | |
| | Non-Western Civilization Course | 3 | | | PR | | |
| | Physical/Earth Science⁴ | 3-4 | | | CC-SCI | | |
| | SLIS 325 Children’s Literature or ENGL 431A Children’s Literature or ENGL 431B Picture Books | 3 | C | | PR | | |
| | EDEC 250 Play and Early Learning | 3 | C | | | MR | |

Progression: Take and pass the EEDA Assessment on Blackboard

| Semester Four (16 Credit Hours) | | | | | | | |
| | MATH 222 Basic Concepts of Elementary Mathematics II | 3 | C | | PR | MATH 221 | |
| | Carolina Core GSS: GEOG 121 Globalization & World Regions or GEOG 210 People, Places, & Environments | 3 | | | CC-GSS | | |
| | ARTE 260 Interdisciplinary Relationships in the Arts or ARTE 520 Art for Elementary Schools or ARTE 530 Art of Children or MUED 454 Music for Young Children or THEA 522 Drama in Education | 3 | C | | PR | | |
| | EDEC 340 & 340P The Young Child: Development, Care, and Education (Birth to 3 Years) and Practicum | 4 | C | | MR | | |
| | EDPY 401 Learners and the Diversity of Learning | 3 | C | | MR | | |

Progression: Apply for Professional Program (all requirements for Professional Program must be met by July 15 prior to fifth semester)

| Semester Five (15 Credit Hours) | | | | | | | |
| | EDEX 523 Introduction to Exceptional Children | 3 | C | | MR | | |
| | PEDU 575 Physical Education for the Classroom Teacher | 3 | C | | PR | | |
| | EDFI 300 Schools in Communities | 3 | C | | MR | | |
| | ! EDEC 336 Culturally Relevant Pedagogy in Early Childhood Classrooms* | 3 | C | | MR | Adm. to Professional Program | |
| | ! EDEC 510 Parent/Family Dynamics in Early Childhood Ed.* | 3 | C | | MR | Adm. to Professional Program | |
| Semester Six (17 Credit Hours) | | | | | | | |
| | ! EDRD 345 Teaching Reading in Early Childhood Ed.* | 3 | C | | MR | Adm. to Professional Program | |
| | ! EDEC 342 & 342P The Young Child: Development, Care, and Ed. and Practicum⁷ & ⁸ | 6 | C⁸ | | MR | Adm. to Professional Program | |
| | ! EDEC 347 Community of Learners and Classroom Management in Early Childhood⁷ | 3 | C | | MR | Adm. to Professional Program | |
| | ! EDEC 344 Supporting Linguistic Pluralism Across the Content Areas⁷ | 3 | C | | MR | Adm. to Professional Program | |
| | ! EDRM 423 Introduction to Classroom Assessment⁷ | 2 | C | | MR | Adm. to Professional Program | |

Progression: Apply for Internship and SC Teacher Licensure (including fingerprinting)
Semester Seven (16 Credit Hours)

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Semester Eight (12 Credit Hours)

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Graduation Requirements Summary

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1. Regardless of individual course grades, students must maintain a minimum 2.75 cumulative overall GPA.
2. Some colleges require a minimum GPA for major courses. Courses indicated below are included in the major GPA for this program of study. A 3.0 GPA must be achieved in all education courses.
3. **The Carolina Core** provides the common core of knowledge, skill and academic experience for all Carolina undergraduate students. Although students may take up to 43 hours to meet all Carolina Core requirements, students in the Early Childhood Education program must complete two Carolina Core approved “overlay-eligible” courses in order to graduate on time and avoid summer courses or taking more than five courses in some semesters.

4. One Life Science and one Physical/Earth Science are required (at least one must be four credit hours with a lab).

For Physical/Earth Science, choose from the following:

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5. The Carolina Core requires either two approved courses in one Foreign Language or a score of two or higher on the foreign language placement test. If a student in the Early Childhood Education program is not exempted from the foreign language requirement through the foreign language placement test, additional courses may be required to meet all Carolina Core components.

6. Information for the Praxis Core exam can be found on the College of Education, Office of Student Services website.

7. Must meet all professional program and internship admission requirements by set deadlines prior to participation in these courses. Professional program and internship admission requirements can be found on the Bulletin.

8. A grade of B or better in either EDEC 342P or EDEC 443 is required to meet the dispositions requirement for admission to Internship II. Students making below a grade of B in both these courses are not eligible to progress. An action plan is required for students who make a grade of C or C+ in either EDEC 342P or EDEC 443. For all internship admission requirements, please visit the Bulletin.

Program Notes:

- Courses designated as “critical” (?) must be taken in the semester in which they are listed.
- Upon completion of 60 hours of course work, including courses specified by the Early Childhood Program, the candidate may apply for admission to the Professional Program in Early Childhood Education. For admission requirements to the Professional Program, please visit the Bulletin.
- Students in the Department of Instruction and Teacher Education will be allowed to repeat one time only, one course offered through a department in the College of Education for which an unsatisfactory grade was earned. If after the first unsatisfactory grade, a student makes an unsatisfactory grade in the repeated course or any other College of Education course, he/she will no longer be eligible to progress in the program.
- All initial teacher licensure programs in the College of Education require extensive field experiences in P-12 schools. All students must read and understand the rules and expectations outlined in the Preservice Teacher Education Clinical Experiences Manual. Prior to participating in school field experiences, students must have been cleared through a criminal background check and must have a negative test for TB on file with the College of Education.

University Requirements: Bachelor's degree-seeking students must meet Carolina Core (general education) requirements. For more information regarding these requirements, please visit the Carolina Core page on the University website.

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