



Master of Education

# Early Childhood Teacher (PreK-2)

- CIP code 131210 • Non-licensure: 30-32 credits, 3-4 terms full-time
- Licensure (Massachusetts only): 31-34\* credits, 4 terms full-time
- Program approved by the Mass. Dept. of Elementary & Secondary Education (DESE)

## Program Description

The Early Childhood PreK-2 program is for students who plan to teach in public or private schools. They are prepared with the appropriate skills and knowledge that will assist them in pursuing their initial license in Early Childhood PreK-2. Program completers are career-ready, technologically savvy, exhibit inter-cultural competence and are equipped to advance social justice.

## Learning Outcomes

- Create well-structured, developmentally appropriate lessons with measurable assessments of learning
- Evaluate instructional materials to foster positive social-emotional development and meet the diverse needs of students
- Apply inclusive and culturally responsive principles in teaching practice
- Critique one's practice through reflection for continuous improvement

## Careers

Graduates who have completed the licensure option are eligible for initial licensure and are qualified for employment in public or private preschool/kindergarten as well as in the early childhood arena. Non-licensure graduates may be eligible for employment in early childhood education settings that do not require licensure.

**Please note:** The non-licensure Early Childhood Teacher (PreK-2) Master of Education program is also offered fully online through Cambridge College Global. See *Early Childhood Teacher* on page 326 for details.

**Admission requirements:** Bachelor's degree, completed application, official undergraduate degree transcript, professional résumé, two letters of recommendation, and a personal statement.

**\*Licensure program credits:** 31 credits total if SEI is completed before enrollment, 34 credits if SEI is completed at Cambridge College.

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## Courses — program chair will advise on sequence. . . . 26 credits

EED 735	Program Portfolio Integration (0 credit) . . . . .	every term
EED 5001	The Reflective Practitioner (1 credit) . . . . .	every term
ELE 500	Teaching Phonological & Phonemic Awareness & Phonics (0 credit; preq. for ELE 521) . . . . .	Fall, Spring
ELE 521	Teaching Literacy . . . . .	Fall, Spring
ESP 592	Adapting Materials for Students with Disabilities in Gen Ed Classrooms (1 credit) . . . . .	every term
ESP 594	Collaboration & Consultation Techniques (2 credits) . . . . .	every term
ECE 600	Development of Young Children . . . . .	Summer
ELE 653	Teaching Science, Engineering & Technology. . . . .	Fall, Spring
ESP 512	Inclusion & Behavior Management . . . . .	Fall, Summer
ELE 656	Teaching Social Sciences, History & Multicultural Education. . . . .	Spring
ELE 620	Teaching Children's Literature . . . . .	Summer
MAT 700	Inclusion in Math Class . . . . .	every term
ELE 594	Teaching Physical Education & Movement (1 credit) . . . . .	Summer

## Non-licensure requirements . . . . . 4-6 credits

- Two approved elective courses (4-6 credits total).

## Licensure requirements in Massachusetts

### Practicum Prerequisites . . . . . 1-4 credits

- Pass all MTELs required by Massachusetts for this license: Communication & Literacy, Early Childhood, and Foundations of Reading (MTEL).
- SEI 605 Sheltered English Immersion (3 credits) or ESE-endorsed course or SEI MTEL.
- Pass all required courses.
- EDU 704 Practicum Readiness (1 credit)
- Submit Practicum Application and Placement Approval Forms.

### Practicum & Seminar . . . . . 4 credits

**ECE 794 Practicum**— 300 hours (2 credits) . . . . . Fall, Spring  
 Guided and evaluated by a licensed/certified early childhood teacher in the classroom and a Cambridge College early childhood supervisor. Practicum locations are subject to DESE regulations and must be discussed with the program chair and approved by the pre-practicum/practicum coordinator.

**ECE 791 Practicum Seminar** (2 credits) . . . . . Fall, Spring  
 Electronic exit portfolio (Tevera) required for credit.

**Program and course schedule subject to change.**