

CHILDHOOD SPECIAL EDUCATION -- B.S./M.S.

Five-Year Program with Dual Certification in Childhood Education (1-6) and Childhood Special Education (1-6)

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This program is nationally recognized by the Association for Childhood Education International (ACEI) and the Council for Exceptional Children (CEC).

Program Assessment

The following assignments are used to assess program effectiveness.

Assessment	Context	Location in Program
Content Specialty Test (CST)	Licensure Test	End of Program
Standards-Based Observation Form	Practicum	End of Program
Clinically-based project: edTPA	Practicum	End of Program

UNDERGRADUATE LIBERAL ARTS AND SCIENCES CURRICULUM (76-79 Credits)

Liberal Arts and Science Core Component^ (49* credits)

^ Childhood Special Education Majors have specific courses replacing some courses in the standard core, as well as additional requirements counted as core:

EDU 445 - Educating a Diverse Society (in place of SOC 347).....	3
ENG 101,102 - College Writing I and II.....	6
ENG 201/202 - Global Literature I or II	3
FNA 240 - Fine Arts in the Elementary Classroom (as FNA elective)	3
HIS 113 - History of World Civilization I (no HIS 114)	3
HIS 213,214 - U.S. History I and II (additional core requirement).....	6
LIB 101 - Information Literacy	1
Mathematics elective	3
MAT 211 - Math for Elementary Teachers (in addition to MAT elective)....	3
PED 211 - Physical Education for Educators (additional core requirement)	1
Biology Laboratory Science elective	4
Physical Science Laboratory elective	4
PSY 101 - General Psychology (as Social Science elective)	3
(PHI 101 is replaced with additional liberal arts requirement within the major.)	
*Foreign language component (1 year (2 semesters) of the same language)	6

Bible and Ministry Curriculum 12

Areas of Specialization (15-18 credits)

Communication and the Arts	15
English.....	15
English with TESOL Emphasis	18
Health and Science.....	18
Math/Science/Technology	15
Social Studies	18

UNDERGRADUATE PEDAGOGICAL CURRICULUM (37 credits)

EDU 221 - Teaching with Technology	1
EDU 246 - Foundations of Education	3
EDU 247 - Health Issues	0
EDU 258 - Development and Learning Theory	3
EDU 259 - Teaching and Learning Strategies.....	3
EDU 321 – Technology Applications for Teachers I.....	1
EDU 331 - Methods in Teaching Science.....	3
EDU 332 - Methods in Teaching Social Studies.....	3
EDU 333 - Methods of Teaching Literacy I.....	3
EDU 334 - Methods of Teaching Literacy II.....	3
EDU 336 - Methods in Teaching Math.....	3
EDU 421 – Technology Applications for Teachers II.....	1
EDU 441 – The Christian Teacher	2
Education electives.....	6
Field Experience – EDU 191, 292, 391 and 392	2

GRADUATE PEDAGOGICAL CURRICULUM (27 credits)**Required Courses (12 credits)**

Educational Research and Statistics	3
EDG 500–Ed Research and Statistics)	
EDG 512 - Character Education.....	3
EDG 530 - The Inclusive Classroom	2
co-requisite EDG 660 Current Topics.....	0
co-requisite EDG 730 Field Experience for Inclusive Classroom.....	0
EDG 532 – Exceptional Child	3
co-requisite EDG 732 Field Experience for Exceptional Child	0

Special Education (15 credits)

EDG 533 - High Incidence Disabilities	3
co-requisite EDG 733 Field Experience for High Incidence Disabilities..	0
EDG 534 - Autism Spectrum Disorder and Other Low Incidence Disabilities: Understanding and Intervention.....	3
co-requisite EDG 734 Field Experience for Autism/Low Incidence Dis...	0
EDG 536 - Special Education Behavior Management.....	3
co-requisite EDG 736 Field Experience for Behavior Management.....	0
EDG 619 - Special Education Practicum	3
EDG 654 - Special Ed. Assess., Evaluation, Diagnosis and IEP Development	3

Required Assessments (0 credits)

EDG 675 - Comprehensive Exam.....	0
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STUDENT TEACHING AND SEMINAR (12 Credits)

EDG 590 - Seminar for Professional Experience	2
EDG 591 - Student Teaching Special Education 1-3/4-6	5
Choose one of the following:	5
EDU 492 - Student Teaching: Lower	
EDU 493 - Student Teaching: Upper	

Academic Areas of Specialization

*Note: Areas of Specialization that are followed by an * are also available at the New York City Campus.*

Communication and the Arts (15 credits)

COM 108 - Public Speaking	3
ENG 372 – Writing Theory	3
Music History or Art History elective	2
Drama, Writing, Communications, Art, or Music electives	7

English (15 credits)*

ENG 353 – English Grammar and Phonology.....	3
ENG 372 – Writing Theory	3
ENG – literature electives (upper-level)	9

English with TESOL Emphasis (15 credits)*

ENG 215 or 216 – Global Literature (whichever was not taken in the core)	3
LIN 353 – English Grammar and Phonology	3
LIN 354 – Second Language Acquisition.....	3
ENG elective	3
LIN elective (choose one of the following)	3
LIN 342 – The Nature of Language	
LIN 352 – History of the English Language	
LIN 411 – Sociolinguistics	
LIN 415 – Psycholinguistics	

Health and Science (18 credits)

BIO 115 - Principles of Nutrition	3
PED 234 – Personal Health Strategies.....	3
Physical Education, Sociology, Psychology, or Science electives	12

Math/Science/Technology (15 credits)*

MAT elective	3
Science elective	4
Math, Science, or Technology Electives	8

Social Studies (18 credits)*

HIS 201 – Intro to Historical Inquiry	3
HIS 215 - American Government	3
HIS 255 - World Cultural Geography	3
HIS, ECO, or ANT electives (upper-level)	9

***Some specializations require 18 credits of liberal arts electives as opposed to 15 credits.*