

Application Procedures

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Application Deadlines

A new cohort begins every 3 years. Applications are due the December before a new cohort begins.

Cohort Starting	Apply by
Summer 2015	December 31, 2014
Summer 2018	December 31, 2017

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Interdisciplinary

Early Childhood Education MEd

Curriculum Studies
Special Education
Family Resources



COLLEGE OF EDUCATION
UNIVERSITY of HAWAII at MĀNOA

MEd ECE

Masters in Early Childhood Education (Birth-5 years)



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Description of Program

The Master of Education in Early Childhood Education (MEd-ECE) is a 30-credit interdisciplinary masters degree offered by the departments of Curriculum Studies and Special Education in the College of Education and the College of Tropical Agriculture and Human Resources (CTAHR). The program focuses on settings that serve children (birth–5 years) and their families. The MEd ECE is designed to support professional development and promote leadership and advocacy in the field of ECE.

Special Features of the Program

- **Interdisciplinary:** Coursework is offered by faculty from departments in two colleges and focuses on research, early childhood education, early childhood special education, child development, family studies, interprofessional collaboration, and policy and advocacy.
- **Responsive:** Courses are tailored to meet the needs and interests of students in the program.
- **Accessible:** Statewide and Pacific Basin access are facilitated by delivering mandatory coursework in three week accelerated summer sessions at UH Mānoa for three consecutive summers. Elective are courses offered in summer through distance learning or at UH Mānoa during the school year.
- **Affordable:** Intensive summer session courses are offered at in-state tuition, even for non-residents.
- **Collegial:** The program combines face-to-face interaction in summer with communication with peers and faculty on-line during the school year. Students learn from each other in an intellectually stimulating community that invites dialogue and reflection.

Coursework Program of Study includes 30 credits*

Mandatory Courses (18 credits)

- FamR 491 (3 credits) – Advanced Child Development
- EDCS 667B (3 credits) - Seminar in Curriculum: Issues and Trends
- SPED 631 (3 credits) - Early Intervention for Special Populations
- EDCS 632 (3 credits) – Qualitative Research Methods
- FamR 454 (3 credits) – Family Public Policy
- EDCS 618 (3 credits) – ECE Advanced Topics: Professionalism and Ethics

Capstone Courses (3–6 credits)

- EDCS 700 (6 credits) Plan A Thesis or
- EDCS 695 (3 credits) Plan B Portfolio

Elective Courses (9 credits)

Students choose at least 9 credits of electives with their advisor's approval

*Plan A students may need to take additional courses.

Capstone

Plan A (Thesis) or **Plan B** (Professional Portfolio)

Admissions Requirements

- Successful completion of a baccalaureate degree from an accredited college or university
- Minimum 3.0 GPA in last two years
- TOEFL if applicable
- Completed application
- Strong evidence of experience, academic ability and character to carry out graduate work
- Documentation of successful experience in the field of ECE
- 12 credits of foundational coursework: child development birth–5 years (3 credits), and family studies (3 credits), foundations in the field of early childhood education (3 credits), and developmentally appropriate practices (3 credits)
- Laptop computer