

EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

BACHELOR OF ARTS (BA)

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

Designed for those dedicated to developing the hearts and minds of young children for future success, the B.A. in Early Childhood Education equips students to identify and address each child's individual needs so they may positively impact and guide them through these critical years of development. Students will examine traditional theory as well as contemporary teaching methods to gain the knowledge and practical skills required to become effective teachers in the classroom, whether in a public or private school setting.

MACU holds an articulation agreement with Rose State College and Oklahoma City Community College. These articulation agreements are subject to change; therefore, check with the School of Teacher Education and the destination college or university to verify a smooth transition.

Employees at Oklahoma schools receive a 10% tuition discount on their degree program!

PROGRAM OUTCOMES

Our program uses traditional theory and contemporary teaching methods to give you a solid foundation to build your career as a life-changing teacher.

You will learn how to plan an engaging, ageappropriate curriculum, manage a classroom in a way that promotes discovery, evaluate the individual needs of every child in your classroom, and support and guide your students through physical, intellectual and emotional growth.

Along with core classes, you'll take courses in nutrition and physical development, children's literature, educational psychology, and more. Before earning your degree, you'll also have the opportunity to complete 110 hours of on-ground field experience in a variety of schools that will provide observation and interaction with a variety of diverse students prior to their student teaching.



PROGRAM COSTS

Courses in MACU's Elementary Education program cost \$435/credit hour.

CAREER OUTLOOK

Employment of preschool teachers is projected to grow 3 percent from 2022 to 2032, about as fast as the average for all occupations.

About 56,300 openings for preschool teachers are projected each year, on average, over the decade. Many of those openings are expected to result from the need to replace workers who transfer to different occupations or exit the labor force, such

ACCREDITATION

MACU is accredited through the Higher Learning Commission (HLC) of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools (NCA). The B.A. in Elementary Education is state-accredited through the Oklahoma Office of Educational Quality and Accountability (OEQA).



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UNIVERSITY CORE (46 hrs.)

Specific courses within the University Core are listed in the University catalog.

Bible/Theology (12 hrs.)
Communication (9 hrs.)
U.S. History and Government (6 hrs.)
Science (6 hrs. plus 1 hr. of lab)
Math (3 hrs.)
Social Sciences (3 hrs.)
Humanities (6 hrs.)

Additional General Education (28 hrs.)

The following are additional general education in addition to the University Core required to meet the 4 by 12 general education requirement for teacher education programs:

English/Literature/Advanced Communication (3 hrs.)

Science (5 hrs.) Math (9 hrs.)

History/Citizenship/Cultural Studies (3 hrs.) Foreign Language (8 hrs.)

MAJOR REQUIREMENTS (42 hrs.)

Required Before Elementary/Professional Education Courses (9 hrs.)

EDUC 2101 MACU Teacher Education Orientation

EDUC 2102 Educational Foundations

EDUC 4203 Instructional Strategies, Mgmt., and Assessment I

EDUC 4213 Instructional Strategies, Mgmt., and Assessment II

Early Childhood Education Major (28 hrs.)

ECED 3103 Nutrition and Physical Development in Early Childhood

ECED 3203 Early Childhood Development and Learning

ECED 3223 Literacy Methods for Early Childhood **ECED 3243** Math and Science Methods for Young Children

ECED 4103 Family and Community Relationships in Early Childhood Education

ECED 4203 Guidance, Observation and Assessment of Young Children

EDEL 3403 Children's Literature

EDEL 3503 Methods of Elementary Music and Art Integration

EDEL 4304 Diagnostic and Prescriptive Reading with Reading Practicum

Professional Education (21 hrs.)

EDUC 3103 Educational Psychology

EDUC 3233 Probability and Statistics for Teachers

EDUC 3303 Development Across the Life Span

EDUC 4223 Students with Exceptionalities

EDUC 4909 Student Teaching

TOTAL REQUIRED HOURS: 132

Want to speak to an Enrollment Counselor about earning your degree?

Contact MACU Today!

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CHRISTIAN

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Not just in our name, it's who we are

AFFORDABLE

With federal financial aid and payment plans, we make it possible

PRACTICAL

Earn college credit for your work and prior learning experiences. Plus, apply what you learned in class at work the next day

CONVENIENT

Attend one class every five weeks and choose 100% online or one night on ground a week

ACCREDITED

Regional accreditation means we are transfer friendly

PERSONAL

Our staff and faculty know who you are and where you want to go