

# EARLY CHILDHOOD (EDEC)

## EDEC 3101 Early Childhood Jaguar Tracks III

**Credit:** 1 (1-0-0)

In this course students will identify their skills, strengths, interests and values as it relates to future career goals within the field of early childhood. Students will volunteer in the community to gain transferable and direct skills to apply to future career goals. Through mock interviews, writing a professional and concise resume and cover letter, and research professional organizations, student will be prepared to become active members of the early childhood community. TSI Restriction(s): Reading, Math, and Writing

**Prerequisites:** UNIV 2101 or Junior standing.

**Restrictions:**

## EDEC 3307 Child and Adolescent Development as it Impacts Instruction

**Credits:** 3 (3-0-0)

The course includes physical, cognitive, language, social and emotional development of children from birth to adolescence. Students apply developmental knowledge in planning individually and culturally appropriate lessons and assessment. This course is taken prior to entering the Educator Preparation Program. Formerly EDEC 3303. TSI Restriction(s): Reading, Math, and Writing

**Restrictions:** Graduate level students may not enroll.

## EDEC 3328 Fndtns of Early Childhood Dev

**Credits:** 3 (3-0-0)

Students will gain an understanding of the foundational theories and philosophies of early childhood. TSI Restriction(s): Reading, Math, and Writing

**Restrictions:** Graduate level students may not enroll.

## EDEC 3329 Developmentally Appropriate Curriculum for the Young Child

**Credits:** 3 (3-0-0)

Students will understand the historical, philosophical, psychological, sociological theories behind developmentally appropriate early childhood curriculum. Students will comprehend specifics about licensing, certification and management of childcare facilities as well as in the classroom. Students will identify and understand laws, rights and appropriate curriculum for special needs students. TSI Restriction(s): Reading, Math, and Writing

**Prerequisites:** EDEC 3307.

**Restrictions:** Graduate level students may not enroll.

## EDEC 3331 Infant and Toddler Development

**Credits:** 3 (3-0-0)

Acquisition and development of physical, social, emotional, and cognitive skills for infants and toddlers with an emphasis on the essential role of the family and nurturing relationships in promoting positive early development. TSI Restriction(s): Reading, and Writing

**Restrictions:** Graduate level students may not enroll.

## EDEC 3332 Professionalism, Leadership and Ethics

**Credits:** 3 (3-0-0)

Utilizing a social justice framework, focuses on becoming an early childhood professional; ethical choices, staff collaborations, professional dispositions, professional development, leadership and advocacy. TSI Restriction(s): Reading, Math, and Writing

**Restrictions:** Graduate level students may not enroll.

## EDEC 3349 Academics, Creativity & Play

**Credits:** 3 (3-0-0)

This course focuses on teaching methods for incorporating play, movement and the arts into academic instruction for the EC-6 student. Students apply the knowledge of developmental milestones to make age appropriate curricular decisions. TSI Restriction(s): Reading, Math, and Writing

**Prerequisites:** EDEC 3307.

**Restrictions:** Graduate level students may not enroll.

## EDEC 4101 Early Childhood Jag Tracks IV

**Credit:** 1 (1-0-0)

The focus of this course is discovering students' place in the early childhood field where the student will demonstrate knowledge of professional expectations and resources, demonstrate growth over their university experience, and become active members in the early childhood profession. TSI Restriction(s): Reading, Math, and Writing

**Prerequisites:** UNIV 3101 or EDEC 3101 or Senior standing.

**Restrictions:**

## EDEC 4301 Working with Diverse Families and Young Children

**Credits:** 3 (3-0-0)

Focuses on understanding the dynamic relationship between families and those who care for young children examining issues of diversity, family strengths, family stresses and parenting. TSI Restriction(s): Reading, Math, and Writing

**Restrictions:** Graduate level students may not enroll.

## EDEC 4302 Action Research

**Credits:** 3 (3-0-0)

Focuses on preparing early childhood professionals to use empirically-based action research to inform their work with young children and/or families. TSI Restriction(s): Reading, Math, and Writing

**Restrictions:** Graduate level students may not enroll.

## EDEC 4303 Practicum in Growth and Development

**Credits:** 3 (3-0-0)

Familiarizes the student with authentic early childhood environments emphasizing the importance of developmentally appropriate and culturally relevant practices. TSI Restriction(s): Reading, Math, and Writing

**Restrictions:** Graduate level students may not enroll.

## EDEC 4314 Cognitive Development

**Credits:** 3 (3-0-0)

Students will gain an understanding of cognitive developmental milestones and theoretical philosophies that enhance the understanding of professionals in early childhood careers. TSI Restriction(s): Reading, Math, and Writing

**Restrictions:** Graduate level students may not enroll.

**EDEC 4315 Social & Emotional Development****Credits:** 3 (3-0-0)

Students will gain an understanding of social and emotional developmental milestones and theoretical philosophies that enhance the understanding of the social and emotional domains of young children.

TSI Restriction(s): Reading, Math, and Writing

**Restrictions:** Graduate level students may not enroll.

**EDEC 4316 Assessment of Young Children****Credits:** 3 (3-0-0)

Students will gain an understanding of a variety of assessment procedures and methods for documenting the growth and development of young children in all domains. TSI Restriction(s): Reading, Math, and Writing

**Restrictions:** Graduate level students may not enroll.

**EDEC 4320 Assessment in Early Childhood Ed****Credits:** 3 (3-0-0)

Student will acquire information regarding developmentally appropriate assessment strategies for the cognitive, social, emotional and physical domain. Student will identify formal and informal evaluative instruments and the subsequent advantages and disadvantages. Information will be provided on special problem regarding assessment, including assessment of special populations, interpretation of results and bias of results. TSI Restriction(s): Reading, Math, and Writing

**Prerequisites:** EDEC 3307 (Formerly EDEC 3303).

**Restrictions:** Graduate level students may not enroll.

**EDEC 4329 Lang Devel in Early Childhood****Credits:** 3 (3-0-0)

Acquisition and development of oral language, early literacy. Integrated approach to language skills for young children. TSI Restriction(s): Reading, Math, and Writing

**Restrictions:** Graduate level students may not enroll.

**EDEC 4337 Phys Devel Early Childhood****Credits:** 3 (3-0-0)

Strategies and materials for enhancing the physical development of young children. Units of health, nutrition, safety and other related topics. Field experiences. TSI Restriction(s): Reading, Math, and Writing

**Restrictions:** Graduate level students may not enroll.

**EDEC 4361 Curr and Materials for EC Ed****Credits:** 3 (3-0-0)

Methods and materials for teaching young children. Scope and sequence of language, mathematics, social and natural sciences, fine arts, health and safety and physical education. Field experiences required. TSI Restriction(s): Reading, Math, and Writing

**Prerequisites:** EDEC 3328.

**Restrictions:** Graduate level students may not enroll.