



## ONLINE GRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

### PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

**12 credit hours**

**In-state tuition: \$480.90/credit hour\***

**Out-of-state tuition: \$590.53/credit hour\***

\* Tuition is based on current rates and is subject to change.

- Convenient, 100% online graduate certificate program offered by UTEP's College of Education for working caregivers, teachers and education-related professionals
- Can be completed in as few as two semesters
- Does not lead to teaching certification, yet provides a critical perspective and deeper knowledge of early childhood education theories and pedagogies needed to teach in today's diverse Birth to Age 8 classrooms
- Allows all courses to be fully applied to the M.Ed. in Early Childhood Education

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## HELP SUPPORT EARLY LEARNERS

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The Graduate Certificate in Early Childhood Education is a fully online, 12-credit program that provides professional development for educators (licensed and non-licensed) serving young children, Birth to Age 8, in Early Childhood care settings and classrooms.

Coursework in this certificate program emphasizes the practical application of current theory, research, and pedagogy in Early Childhood Education, with particular attention to supporting linguistically and culturally sustaining educate practices related to early literacy, early STEM and responsive child guidance.

All courses in this graduate certificate may be applied to the M.Ed. in Early Childhood Education at UTEP.

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### NOTE:

- You must have a bachelor's degree to apply.
- Graduate certificates are not eligible for financial aid.

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## READY TO CONNECT OR HAVE QUESTIONS?

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Call **1-800-684-UTEP** to speak with an enrollment counselor today or visit us at **[utepconnect.utep.edu](https://utepconnect.utep.edu)**.

## ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS

To qualify for admission into the Graduate Certificate in Early Childhood Education program, you must:

- Submit a completed graduate admissions application and application fee
- Provide a resumé with your latest work experience and skills
- Write a statement of purpose describing your personal and professional goals as related to the focus of the certification program
- Have an undergraduate GPA of 3.00 or greater

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS WHOSE FIRST LANGUAGE IS NOT ENGLISH MUST ALSO SUBMIT:

- Official TOEFL (Test of English as a Foreign Language) score of at least 79 on the online version, or 550 on the paper-based version

Admissions factors will be reviewed holistically to assess the potential of the applicant.

## CURRICULUM

The 12-credit online Early Childhood Education Graduate Certificate program requires you to successfully complete four (4) master's-level courses.

### PROGRAM COURSEWORK

ECED 5348	Child Development in Diverse Contexts
ECED 5353	Early Literacy/Multiliteracy Development and Curriculum
ECED 5354	Early STEM/STEAM Development and Curriculum
ECED 5358	Responsive Relationships and Child Guidance

### TOTAL CREDITS: 12

*Note: Curriculum is subject to change.*



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