Master of Science in Education – Early Childhood Specialty Area

36 hour option

CORE CURRICULUM
21 semester hours

C & I Core
- CI 500 Research Methods in Education
- CI 503 Introduction to Curriculum
- CI 504 Systematic Approaches to Instruction

Early Childhood Core
- CI 402 Cultural Diversity in Education and Family Services (Fa, Sp)
- CI 518 Critical Issues in Early Childhood Education* (Sp)
- CI 514 Advanced Child Development* (Fa)
- CI 520 Action Research (Sp)

The following specialization areas are given as a guide to choose an additional 15 hours of coursework:

SPECIALIZATION AREAS
15 semester hours

Child Development and Family Studies
- CI 404 Infant Development (all)
- CI 403 Child Abuse and Neglect (Su)
- CI 413 Language Development (all)
- CI 419 Child, Family and Community Involvement (all)
- CI 498H Early Intervention (Su)
- CI 507 Advocacy in Early Childhood*
- CI 519 Early Child Development through Home & School**
- CI 527 Advanced Family Studies
- SPED 425 Home-School Coordination in Special Education***
- CI 590Q - Independent Readings in Family Studies (1-3 credits)

Leadership in Early Childhood Education
- CI418 History & Philosophy of Early Childhood Education (Su, Fa)
- CI466 Documenting Accomplished Teaching (Fa even yrs)
- CI508 Systematic Observation and Analysis of Instruction (Su, Fa c yrs
- CI533 Instructional Leadership (TBD)
- CI536 Partnerships and Mentoring the New Professional (Su)
- CI513 Emergent Literacy
- CI528 Methods in Math
- CI594T/H Practicum: Teacher Education/Early Childhood (Sp)
- CI 590H Independent Readings in Early Childhood (1-3 credits)

Students may also select, in consultation with their advisor, 6 hours of electives other than those listed above which are relevant to their program of study.

Other Information:
- At least 15 credits must be at the 500 level and be taken at SIUC.
- No more than 11 credits earned at another university may be accepted.
- No more than 6 credits of CI 498 workshops may be applied to a degree.
- All courses are 3 credit hours unless otherwise indicated.
- * denotes courses currently undergoing course title change
- ** course currently not offered
- *** early childhood section offered in spring only

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