

Education: Birth to Kindergarten (Teacher Certification)

2021 – 2022 Catalog Year

1st Year		
Fall ¹ Elective or WRT 120 3 General Education: Arts 3 PSY 101 Intro Psychology (Gen Ed: SBS) 3 Gen Education: Phy or Life Sci no lab 3 EDF 115 Intro to Education (Gen Ed: SBS) 3 Total 15	Winter MTH 110 Algebra (or MTH 180 if taken in Fall) 4 ¹ WRT 150 (or WRT130 if WRT 120 taken in Fall) 4 General Education: Physical or Life Sci w/ Lab 4 ENG 201 Found of Literary Instruction 3 Total 15	Spring/Summer
2nd Year		
Fall PSY 305 Infant & Early Development 3 HST 203/204 World History-1500 AD 3 (Gen Ed: HP/GP/SWS) Prerequisite: WRT 150 or WRT 120 & WRT 130 HPE 264 Early Child Movement and Health 2 STA 126 Statistics for Elementary Teachers 2 MTH 126 Math for Elementary Teachers 2 Prerequisite: MTH 110 / proficiency (math placement) Total 15	Winter EDI 213 Supporting Infant/Toddler Development 3 EDS 214 Intro to Working w/ Students w/ Disabilities Delays 3 EDF 215 Philosophies of EC (Gen Ed: P&L) 3 EDI 216 Emergent Literacy 3 EDI 211 Observation & Documentation 3 Total 15	Spring/Summer
3rd Year		
Fall EDI 312 Child Guidance (Issues 1) 3 EDI 315 Integrated Curriculum thru Play 3 EDI 340 Strategies for Infants and Toddlers 3 EDI 341 Clinical Apprenticeship with Infants and Toddlers 3 EDS 316 Supporting and Responding to Diverse Children & Families Outside the Classroom 3 Total 15	Winter EDF 315 Diverse Perspectives on Education (Gen Ed USDiv) 3 EDI 342 Literacy Methods & Children's Literature 5 EDI 343 Math & Science Methods 3 EDF 260 Ed Research & Assessment (SWS) 3 EDI 344 Field Experience in Kindergarten 1 Total 15	Spring/Summer
4th Year		
Fall EDI 441 Clinical Apprenticeship with Preschoolers 3 EDS 416 Supporting SEL & Positive Behavior Supports 3 EDI 317 Collab w/ Families and Professionals 3 EDI 440 Strategies for Preschoolers and Kindergartners 3 General Education: Issues 2 3 Total 15	Winter EDS 470 Clinical Internship w/ Children w/ Sp Needs 9 EDF 495 Context of Educational Studies 3 Elective 3 Total 15	Spring/Summer

- * The block tuition rate is 12-15 credits. You will pay additional tuition for any credits over 15.
- * This is a sample plan. Please meet with your academic advisor to discuss individual graduation plans.

Students must fulfill MTH 110 either by taking the course or waive the requirement through math placement prior to taking MTH 126 and STA 126.

¹ Students who self-place into WRT 120 should take this course in the fall semester and then take WRT 130 in the winter semester of their first year. Students who self-place into WRT 150 should take the course in the fall semester. Students will not need to take WRT 150 if they have earned credit for the course through AP/Dual Enrollment. A grade of C or better is required in WRT 130 or 150 in order to satisfy the WRT requirement at GVSU.

²Students who opt for the WRT 120/130 stretch writing sequence should plan to take HST 203/204 during the second year fall semester of the program and take a General Education requirement in the winter semester of the first year.

³ Students must complete a total of two courses with an SWS attribute. One SWS should be outside of the major.

General Education Categories fulfilled by B-K Major

SWS 1: HST 203/204
SWS 2: EDF 260
Philosophy and Literature: EDF 215
Mathematical Sciences: MTH 126 + STA 126
Social and Behavioral Sciences 1: EDF 115
Social and Behavioral Sciences 2: PSY 101
Historical Perspectives: HST 203/204
Global Perspectives: HST 203/204
U.S. Diversity: EDF 315
Issues 1: EDI 312

General Education Categories fulfilled by Elective

Physical Sciences: with/without lab
Life Sciences: with/without lab
Arts
Issues 2

Degree Requirements

B-K students can pursue a Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Science degree.

B.S. Course Requirements

- [EDF 260 - Educational Research and Assessment: Foundations of Practice \(3 credits\)](#)
- [EDF 495 - Capstone: Reflective Inquiry and Practice \(3 credits\)](#)
- [MTH 126 - Mathematics for Elementary Teachers \(2 credits\)/STA 126 - Statistics for Elementary Teachers \(2 credits\)](#)

B.A. Course Requirements

Students seeking a Bachelor of Arts in the educational studies major must demonstrate third-semester proficiency in a foreign language by successfully completing a 201-level language course, passing a proficiency exam in the language chosen, or through AP credit.

Application required for the clinical apprenticeship with 1.) infants and toddlers and 2.) preschoolers
Application required for the clinical internship semester