

# Curriculum & Instruction Department

## Master's Degree Plan For Major in Early Childhood

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<b>Degree Choices</b>		<b>Check Degree</b>	<b>Degree Requirements</b>		
<b>Master of Education Degree (MEd) 36 hours</b> Degree Program for individuals <u>with</u> a teaching certificate			1. Part A. All 7 ECE courses. 2. Part B. EDCI 595, EDCI 559 & BLED 501 3. Part C. 6 hours from any graduate courses in the dept., college, or university <i>other than</i> ECE.		
<b>Master of Education Degree (MEd) 36 hours</b> Degree Program for individuals <u>with</u> alternative certification through Texas A&M University-Commerce & teaching certificate			1. Part A. 5 of 7 ECE courses. 2. Part B. EDCI 595, EDCI 559 3. 15 hours alternative certification courses		
<b>Master of Science Degree (MS) 36 hours</b> Degree Program for individuals <u>without</u> a teaching certificate			1. Part A. All 7 ECE courses 2. Part B. EDCI 595, EDCI 559 & BLED 501 3. Part C 6 hours from any graduate courses in the dept., college, or university <i>other than</i> ECE.		
<b>Master of Arts Degree (MA) 30 hours + 6 hours of thesis</b> + (12 hours foreign language requirement)			1. Part A. All 7 ECE courses 2. Part B. EDCI 559 & BLED 501 3. Part C. 3 hours from any graduate courses in the dept., college, or university <i>other than</i> ECE.. 4. 6 hours Thesis		
<b>Course Inventory</b>			<b>Sem. Completed</b>	<b>Final Grade</b>	
<b>Part A. ECE Courses Required (21 Hrs)</b>			<b>Sem. Completed</b>	<b>Final Grade</b>	
ECE 535 Math, Science, and Social Studies Curriculum					
ECE 536 Literacy Development in the Early Years					
ECE 537 Creative Expression in the Arts					
ECE 538 Classroom Management for Teachers					
ECE 548 Inquiry-based Learning					
ECE 560 Early Childhood Curriculum Design					
ECE 561 Child Development					
<b>Part B. Other courses as part of the Major (3-9 Hrs)</b>			<b>Sem. Completed</b>	<b>Final Grade</b>	
EDCI 595, Research Literature & Techniques					
EDCI 559 Diversity and Equity in Education					
BLED 501 Theoretical Foundation in Bilingual/ESL Education					
<b>Part C. Electives for any Major (0 – 6 Hrs)</b>			<b>Sem. Completed</b>	<b>Final Grade</b>	
Advisor Name:		Advisor Signature:	Date:		

**Contact either advisor below for degree plan assistance**

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## ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Each applicant must first apply and meet general requirements of the Graduate School.

1. Applicants must hold a valid Texas teaching certificate (or) successful scores on the ExCET/TEGES exam (or) have a satisfactory score of the combined verbal and quantitative portions of the GRE.
2. Undergraduate grade point average must be 2.75 overall (or) 3.00 on the last 60 hours in the undergraduate program.

To apply online, click on [Application for Graduate Admission](#). The Graduate School can also be contacted by email at [graduate.school@tamuc.edu](mailto:graduate.school@tamuc.edu) or by telephone at 903.886.5163.

### College of Education & Human Services

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## DEGREE PLAN

It is important to have your degree plan signed by an academic advisor in your major field of study. Your plan is not official until signed. The fastest way to get your degree plan is to email your advisor. It is not necessary for an office visit as all advisors are equipped to approve degree plans via email. However, office visits can be arranged if necessary but arrangements are to be made in advance. Once your plan is approved, you should maintain it regularly by adding your final grades at the end of each semester. A completed degree plan must be submitted by the student to the advisor when applying for graduation. Advisors are listed at the bottom of the degree plan.

## MASTERS COMPREHENSIVE EXAM

Students are required to take and pass a written comprehensive examination during the semester they graduate. Exams are given three times a year; fall, spring, and summer 1. It is important to apply during the very first week of your final semester. To get more information about the exams and submit your application, click on [Master's Comprehensive Exam Information and Application](#).

## GRADUATION APPLICATION

Because the window to apply for graduation is extremely short, it is important to apply during the first two weeks of the semester you plan to graduate. Complete the online Graduation Application through your myLEO menu. You may also call the Registrar's Office at 903-886-5429. Then update your degree plan and email it to your advisor who must have it to endorse your application for graduation.