Early Childhood/Elementary Specialization

**PROFESSIONAL COMPONENT:** 12 hours  
EDU 5113 Research Literature and Technology  
EDU 5243 Differentiated Learning Strategies  
EDU 5613 Teaching Students of Diverse Cultures  
EDU 5713 Studies in Classroom Management  

**CORE COMPONENT:** 12 hours  
EDU 5823 Language Arts/Reading Curriculum  
EDU 5833 Mathematics Curriculum  
EDU 5843 Social Studies Curriculum  
EDU 5853 Science Curriculum  

**RESOURCE AREA COMPONENT:** 6 hours  
EDU 5723 Principles and Practices of Early Childhood Education  
EDU 5733 Advanced Strategies in Reading  

**ELECTIVE COMPONENT:** 6 hours  

**TOTAL PROGRAM HOURS** 36

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**Student Learning Outcomes**  
Upon completion of this program, the student will:

1. Integrate knowledge of advanced strategies in content related to Early Childhood/Elementary curriculum.  
2. Implement developmentally appropriate instruction and assessment in the Early Childhood/Elementary educational setting.  
3. Create and evaluate positive, productive classroom environments utilizing formal and informal settings and appropriate classroom management strategies.  
4. Implement knowledge of professional roles and responsibilities.  
5. Incorporate differentiated instruction and teaching students of diverse cultures.  
6. Implement knowledge and skills necessary to successfully complete state educator certification requirements.

**Prerequisites**

HDV 2123 Child and Adolescent Growth and Development  
PSY 3353 Psychology of Education  
RDG 3123 Literacy Instruction I  
EDF 3363 Christian Philosophy of School Education (for ACSI certification only)

**Teaching Certificate**

Students who are seeking state certification need to contact the Certification Officer for more information.