

## Program of Study (recommended course schedule)

### Semester 1

- ECE 3021 Child Development (3)  
ECE 3255 Cultural & Linguistic Diversity (3)  
ECE 3600 Language and Literacy (3)  
ECE 3661 Classroom Management in ECE (3)  
EXC 4010 Characteristics of Students with Disabilities (3)  
\*MATH 3050 Geometry and Spatial Sense (3)

### Semester 2

- \*\*ECE 3601 Reading and Language Arts in ECE (6)  
\*\*ECE 3607 Mathematics Methods in ECE (3)  
\*\*ECE 3606 Science and Inquiry in ECE (3)  
\*\*ECE 3662 Classroom Management in ECE (3)

### Summer Semester (following Block I or Block II):

- AE/MUS 2300 Art and Music (3)  
\*MATH 3070 Statistics & Probability (3)

### Semester 3

- ECE 3602 Reading and Language Arts in ECE (3)  
ECE 3605 Social Studies Methods in ECE (3)  
EXC 4560 Assessment of Exceptional Children (3)  
EXC 4570 Individual and Classroom Management (3)  
\*MATH 3090 Algebraic Concepts (3)  
ECE 4650 Opening School Experience (0) -2 weeks

### Semester 4

- ECE 4661 Student Teaching (9)

- Two sections will exist; one with a focus on general classroom strategies and the other with strategies for inclusive classrooms

- EXC 4671 Partnerships and Practicum (3)

- EXC 4590 Functional and Social Methods for Students with Behavior/Learning Disabilities (3)

Dual Certification Program Track: 129 Total Credit Hours

**\*9 hours of upper division MATH courses as recommended**

\*\*Indicates course with a focus on strategies for inclusive classrooms.

## *Bachelor of Science in Education (BSE)*



The purpose of the Bachelor of Science Program in Early Childhood Education at Georgia State University is to prepare instructional personnel who will be qualified to direct the education of young children from pre-school through elementary grades. The theme of this program is to develop teachers as facilitators of learning. Coursework, extensive field experience, and collaboration among school and university faculty combine to develop a program that supports the professional growth of the novice educator.

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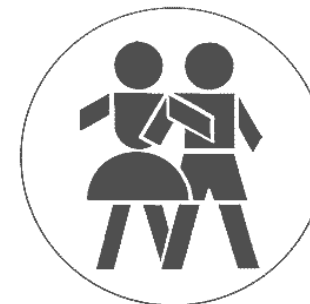


*Georgia State  
University*

## *Bachelor of Science in Education*

***DUAL  
CERTIFICATION  
PROGRAM***

*Department of Early  
Childhood Education &  
Educational Psychology  
and Special Education*



## *Touch a Life: Become a Teacher*

The following information provides a basic overview of the Bachelor of Science in Education Program in the Department of Early Childhood Education. Successful completion of this program leads to recommendation for Georgia Teacher Certification in grades P-5.

### Admissions Requirements

- Successful completion of Areas A-F of the university core curriculum. A grade of “C” or higher required in the Essential Skills area of core
- Application for admission (available online) submitted by June 17th for Fall Semester or October 27th for Spring Semester
- Successful completion of Area F requirements for ECE majors with grades of “C” or better
- Successful completion of the Regent’s Test
- A minimum overall grade point average (GPA) of 2.75
- A passing score on the GACE Basic Skills Assessment

The current options for satisfying the Basic Skills Requirement, including the exemptions, are outlined at:

<http://www.gapsc.com/documentation/basicskillsinfo.asp>

- An interview with Early Childhood Education faculty. A writing sample is also required at the time of interview. (Please be advised that participating in the interview and completing a writing sample does not guarantee admission to the BSE program.)
- Criminal background investigation and proof of Tort Liability insurance

### Program Features

- Integrated program coursework and field internships
- Curriculum and field placements organized developmentally across the program—grades P-5
- Variety of field placements in metro area Professional Development Schools (PDS)
- Observation and teaching experiences in Pre-K through fifth-grade classrooms
- New cohort of learners beginning each semester (Fall and Spring)
- Intensive support and supervision throughout the program
- Study abroad opportunities

### Internships

- Offer field experiences in Atlanta Metro Professional Development Partnership Schools (PDS) in diverse P-5 classrooms

- Rotate across grade levels:

**Semester 1**-Pre-Kindergarten/Kindergarten

**Semester 2**-Primary Methods (Grades 1-3)

**Semester 3**-Elementary Methods (Grades 4-5)

**Semester 4**-Opening School Experience/Student Teaching

- Are assigned by the ECE Program Coordinator
- Require personal transportation and travel time



### Special Education and Early Childhood Education Dual Certification

This certification option enables teacher education students to pursue initial certification in two fields: Special Education General Curriculum, Consultative (P-12; mild disabilities) and Early Childhood Education (P-5). Additional coursework and field placements in middle and secondary schools are required for this dual certification program. Admission to the dual certification program is each Fall Semester.



### Math Requirements

BSE students are required to successfully complete twelve semester hours of math courses of which nine hours are upper-division courses.

### Graduation Requirement-GACE Content Assessments:

**Early Childhood Education**

**Tests: 001, 002**

**Special Education**

**Tests: 081, 082**

**Program faculty** include GSU content instructors, GSU field supervisors, PDS University Coordinators, school-based instructors, and clinical teachers.

**Additional information** describing the BSE program and requirements is contained in the BSE Program Manual located on the ECE website at

<http://education.gsu.edu/ece>.