



Childhood Education with Bilingual Extension

Master of Science in Education

The 30-45 credit program leads to an M.S.Ed. in Childhood Education with Bilingual Extension (Grades 1-6). The program prepares teachers to work in integrated, inclusive, bilingual/multicultural settings. They offer initial and professional certification in New York State upon (a) completion of required coursework, (b) submission of passing scores on the certification examinations, and (c) successful completion of a supervised teaching internship in grades 1-6. The work of the Department is guided by a conceptual framework referred to as L.U.T.E. (Lehman Urban Teacher Education), which expresses the Department's commitment to developing competent, caring, and qualified educators for the nation's urban schools. Lehman gives teachers a focus on philosophy, trends, curriculum, methods, materials, and research in the field. The bilingual extension option adds the possibility of initial certification with an emphasis on the bilingual/bicultural child. The bilingual extension option adds the possibility of initial certification with an emphasis on the bilingual/bicultural child. Courses of study in the program provides an educational model based on child development and child study principles, New York State Education Department standards and core curriculum, and National Council for the Accreditation of Teacher Education (N.C.A.T.E.) standards as described by the A.C.E.I.

ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS

- Official transcripts from **all** post-secondary institutions attended
 - Have attained a bachelor's degree or its foreign equivalent from an accredited college or university
 - Have attained a minimum undergraduate grade point average of 3.0
- Two letters of recommendation
- A 500 – word essay outlining intellectual and academic interests, accomplishments, and career objectives
- An interview might be scheduled by faculty request
- Additional request as per advisor

DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

To qualify for the M.S.Ed. in Childhood Education with Bilingual Extension (Grades 1-6), students must fulfill the following requirements:

- Complete 30-45 credits of prescribed course work with a cumulative index of 3.0 or higher
- Submit professional portfolio
- 30 credits for students completing the Minor to Master's Program
- 39 credits for students with Initial or Provisional Certification in Pre-K-Grade 6 or Childhood Education
- 45 credits for students without prior teacher certification
- Students must complete courses in three competency areas, including a supervised teaching experience

- The requirements for the Initial or Professional Certificates must be fulfilled before a Bilingual Extension can be issued. Bilingual Extension requirements:
 - EDE 738 Learning and Teaching Literacy in Bilingual/Bicultural Childhood Settings—Grades 1 to 6.
 - EDE 739 Learning and Teaching Social Studies in Bilingual/Bicultural Childhood Settings—Grades 1 to 6.
 - EDE 727 Teaching English as a Second Language (Pre-K to Grade 6)
 - EDE 709 Multilingualism in the Classroom, Birth to Grade Six
 - Pass the Bilingual Extension Assessment (BEA)

Competency Area I: Foundations in Childhood Development and Education (12 credits)		Credits
EDE 721	Child Study and Developmental Assessment, Grade 1 to 6	3
EDE 722	Program Design in Childhood Settings: Grades 1-6	3
EDS 707	The Childhood Student with Disabilities	3
EDE 709	Multilingualism in the Classroom, Birth to Grade Six	3

Area II: Professional Coursework in Childhood Development and Education (24 credits)		Credits
EDE 712	Learning and Teaching Literacy in Childhood Settings I: Literacy in the Primary Grades	3
EDE 738	Learning and Teaching Literacy in Bilingual/Bicultural Childhood Settings: Grades 1 to 6	3
EDE 739	Learning and Teaching Social Studies in Bilingual/Bicultural Childhood Settings: Grades 1 to 6	3
EDE 715	Learning and Teaching Mathematics in Childhood Settings: Grades 1 to 6	3
EDE 716	Learning and Teaching Art in Childhood Settings: Grades 1 to 6	3
EDE 717	Learning and Teaching Art in Childhood Settings: Grades 1 to 6	3
EDE 740	Studies in the Teaching of Elementary Mathematics, Advanced Course	3
EDE 727	Teaching English as a Second Language (Pre-K to Grade 6)	3

Additional requirements:

- Submit Student Teaching application to the Student Teaching Coordinator

Student Teaching and Seminar (6 credits)		Credits
EDE 783	Student Teaching Seminar	3
EDE 782	Supervised Student Teaching in Bilingual Classrooms —Grades 1 to 6	3
OR		
EDE 784	Supervised Student Teaching Internship —Grades 1-6	3

Competency Area III: Professional Practice in Childhood Education (3 credits)		Credits
EDE 756	Teacher as Researcher and Writer	3

Questions about the program?

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Questions about admissions?

The Office of Graduate Admissions

<https://www.lehman.edu/graduate-admissions/applying/>