

Early Childhood Education Workforce Program (Online)

Fall 2027 Cohort 10

Synchronous Office Hours: Tuesday, 5:00 – 5:30 pm

Synchronous Class Meetings: Tuesday, 5:30 – 7:30 pm

Plan of Study

Enter as juniors having met all prerequisites (Associate’s Degree and Gateway Level 4 credential)

72 total credit hours (15 credit hours for SED 205, TCH 210, TCH 271, TCH 278, and TCH 292 given based on Gateway 4 credential and work experience)

Fall 2027		Spring 2028		Summer 2028
Fall Cohort Block 1 8/16/27 - 10/8/27	Fall Cohort Block 2 10/11/27 - 12/5/27	Fall Cohort Block 3 1/18/28 - 3/10/28	Fall Cohort Block 4 3/20/28 - 5/5/28	Fall Cohort Block 5 5/22/28 - 8/6/28
TCH 314: Planning & Assessment SED 101: Introduction to Special Education	SED 374: PreK Special Education Assessment SED 386: Special Education Curriculum	TCH 268: Math Methods I TCH 273: Literacy I	TCH 267: Language Arts Methods TCH 275: Math Methods II	EAF 228: Foundations of Education TCH 248: ESL Strategies ENG 143: Unity & Diversity in Language
TCH 293: Clinical I (asynchronous online) - 16 weeks				
Fall 2028		Spring 2029 (graduation)		Summer 2029
Fall Cohort Block 6 8/21/28 - 10/6/28	Fall Cohort Block 7 10/9/2 - 12/8/28	Fall Cohort Block 8 1/16/29 - 3/9/29	Fall Cohort Block 9 3/19/29 - 5/4/29	Fall Cohort Block 10 5/21/29 - 8/4/29
TCH 274: Literacy II TCH 277: Social Science Methods	TCH 276: Science Methods TCH 110: Cross Cultural Teaching and Learning	STT 399.54: Student Teaching (completed at work site or in PreK setting)	STT 399.54: Student Teaching (completed in K-2 classroom)	TCH 320: Assessment of Bilingual Learners TCH 321: Methods & Materials for Bilingual ELLs
TCH 294: Clinical II (asynchronous online) - 16 weeks				

Program Highlights:

- All courses are 100% online, except for student teaching experiences
- Bachelor’s Degree in Early Childhood Education from Illinois State University
- Professional Educator’s License (PEL) from Illinois State Board of Education
- Early Childhood Special Education Letter of Approval
- Gateways to Opportunity Credential Level 5

ESL Endorsement (Optional) Courses Highlighted
SED 101 Only required for students who have not taken an equivalent course at their community college