

Early Childhood Workforce Program (Online)

Fall 2026 Cohort 9

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)

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

Fall 2026		Spring 2027		Summer 2027
Fall Cohort Block 1 8/18/26 - 10/11/26	Fall Cohort Block 2 10/12/26 - 12/6/26	Fall Cohort Block 3 1/11/27 - 3/7/27	Fall Cohort Block 4 3/15/27 - 5/9/27	Fall Cohort Block 5 5/17/27 - 8/7/27
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 2027		Spring 2028 (graduation)		Summer 2028
Fall Cohort Block 6 8/16/27 - 10/10/27	Fall Cohort Block 7 10/11/27 - 12/5/27	Fall Cohort Block 8 1/18/28 - 3/5/28	Fall Cohort Block 9 3/13/28 - 5/7/28	Fall Cohort Block 10 5/15/28 - 8/5/28
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 294: Clinical II (asynchronous online) - 16 weeks				

Program Highlights:

- All courses are 100% online and completed in a cohort model, except student teaching
- 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

Additional Considerations:

- Recommended transfer courses required for licensure: [Equivalent](#) of *SED 101 (Offered at ISU), COM 110, & ENG 101 (Must be taken before enrolling at ISU)
- **ESL Endorsement (Optional) Courses Highlighted**