

**TROY UNIVERSITY**  
 Education Specialist: Early Childhood Education Grades P-3  
 Graduate Degree Plan and Progress Record/  
 Application for Admission to Candidacy  
 36-39 Semester Hour Program

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Student ID # \_\_\_\_\_ Campus \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Copy of transcript must be attached. May not use "Student Academic Credits" or "Academic Evaluation" report.

**CERTIFICATION VERIFICATION:** List all professional educator certificates held, and attach a copy of each to the candidacy application. Candidates for the Education Specialist Degree Program in Early Childhood Education **MUST** hold valid certification in Early Childhood Education (Grades P-3) at the master's level.

Certificate Type/Class	Discipline	Grade Levels	Valid Period	Issuing State
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**DEGREE REQUIREMENTS:**

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| 1. GRE, or equivalent exam, test scores submitted | 7. Overall GPA of 3.0                                      |
| 2. Official transcript of all academic work       | 8. Completion of research requirement with a "B" or better |
| 3. Unconditional Admission                        | 9. All credit earned within 8 years of graduation          |
| 4. 36 semester hours of credit                    | 10. Admission to Candidacy                                 |
| 5. Meet residency requirements                    | 11. Thesis/Comprehensive Examination                       |
| 6. No more than two grades below "B"              | 12. Intent to Graduate filed                               |

**REQUIRED CORE COURSES:** (27 Semester Hours)

COURSE NO	TITLE	HRS	GRADE	TERM/YR	TRANSFER CREDIT
PSY 6693	Psychological and Education Statistics	3			
ECE 7790	Qualitative Research Methodology	3			
ECE 7793	Problem Analysis in ECE	3			
EDU 7709	Seminar in Decision-Making for Teachers & Educational Administrators	3			
EDU 7730	The Teacher Leader	3			
EDU 7795	Thesis	3 - 6			

**TEACHING FIELD:** (12 Semester Hours) Select 12 semester hours from the following:

ECE 6631	Historical Perspectives in ECE				
ECE 6618	Designing Prosocial Learning Environments				
ECE 6622	Parents as Partners in Education				
ECE 6628	Inquiries into Literacy Acquisition				
ECE 6630	Inquiries into Representation				
ECE 6632	Authentic Assessment in the ECE Classroom				
ECE 6633	Integrated Thematic Curriculum				
ECE 6634	Inquiries into Logico-Mathematical Knowledge				

**SELECT TWO:** (6 Semester Hours) Select 6 semester hours of advisor-approved ECE courses or other advisor approved courses related to the profession

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**ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS:** *only if not previously completed*

	Survey Course in Special Education				
EDU 6611	Educational Technology in the Curriculum				

**ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED:**

- \_\_\_\_ 1. One term limit to have transcript(s) and test scores on file
- \_\_\_\_ 2. Temporary, Conditional, and Unconditional Admission
- \_\_\_\_ 3. Availability of faculty for academic advising
- \_\_\_\_ 4. Petition for transfer credit once unconditionally admitted
- \_\_\_\_ 5. Class Attendance
- \_\_\_\_ 6. Drop and Withdrawal procedures; deadline and consequences
- \_\_\_\_ 7. Petition for an Incomplete grade
- \_\_\_\_ 8. Student participation in course and Program Evaluation
- \_\_\_\_ 9. Required Examinations for Certification
- \_\_\_\_ 10. Application for Certification
- \_\_\_\_ 11. Other \_\_\_\_\_

Admission Status		
Type	Date	Initials
Conditional		
Unconditional		
Residency		
Test Score		
Comps		
	Test Code	Score
Praxis II		

**STUDENT ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:** I have read the current year's Graduate Catalog and acknowledge the contents and requirements of the above program. I have received academic advising from my Faculty Advisor, and I hereby apply for Admission to Candidacy.

Student's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Chair/Associate Dean or Dean Date \_\_\_\_\_

Faculty Advisor \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

CANDIDACY APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Dean, Graduate School Date \_\_\_\_\_

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