

B.A. in Education: Early Childhood Education

Academic Program Guide for **New First-Year Students** (Effective Fall 2018) Department of Interdisciplinary and Inclusive Education

Students who entered Rowan University prior to Fall 2018 should follow the guide for their program and start year in consultation with their advisor.

Rowan University Graduation Requirements for all Majors / Degrees

- Students must complete at least 120 semester hours (sh) of coursework that apply to their Rowan University degree.
- Students must have a cumulative GPA of at least 2.0 in Rowan University coursework. (Transfer courses/credit do not count toward the RU GPA.)
- A minimum of 30 sh of coursework must be completed at/through Rowan University.
- Only grades of "D-" or above may apply to graduation/degree requirements. (Some programs may set higher minimums.)
- Students must meet the Rowan Core and Rowan Experience Requirements.
 - An individual course can potentially satisfy one Rowan Core literacy and/or multiple Rowan Experience attributes.
 - Rowan Core & Rowan Experience designations are listed in course details in Section Tally (www.rowan.edu/registrar) and may also be searched on that site under "Attributes." A list of Rowan Core courses is here: <https://confluence.rowan.edu/display/AS/Rowan+Core+Course+List>.
- Students must apply for graduation and should do so for the term in which they will complete all program requirements.

Program-Specific Graduation Requirements for this Major / Degree

- Qualifying minimum GPAs: overall GPA of 3.00 (non-negotiable, non-appealable); overall professional GPA of 3.0.
- Grades of C- or better in all of the major courses.
- "Meets Expectations" on dispositional reports (Junior Practicum Teacher Candidate Performance Evaluation Rubric) from College of Education instructors and cooperating teachers.
- Qualifying scores for the PRAXIS I Core & Early Childhood PRAXIS II Exams and have on file in the COE Student Services Center by posted deadline dates.
- Candidates can apply for graduation with a BA in Education with **Specialization** in Early Childhood Education and certification after successfully completing all of the requirements needed for the BA in Education and any additional certifications.
- **Students who choose to complete a dual major** must apply for graduation for both BA degrees at the same time.

Rowan Core Requirements¹

Students must satisfy all six Rowan Core Literacies. A minimum total of 3 sh of coursework is required to satisfy each Literacy.

With the exception of the 9 sh counted here for Communicative Literacy, credits attached to the courses in this section will apply elsewhere.

- (COML) Communicative Literacy: *Must be met by the following three courses or their official equivalents:*
 - COMP 01111 College Composition I (3 sh) ○ COMP 01112 College Composition II (3 sh) ○ CMS 04205 Public Speaking (3 sh)
- (ARTL) Artistic Literacy *Recommendation from major:* MUSG 06218 (3 sh count under Non-Program)
- (GLBL) Global Literacy *Recommendation from major:* SOC 08220; GEOG 16100, 16110 or 16140 (3 sh count under Non-Program)
- (HUML) Humanistic Literacy *Recommendation from major:* FNDS 21150 or SPED 08130 (3 sh count under **Non-Program**)
- (QNTL) Quantitative Literacy *Recommendation from major:* MATH 01201 (3sh count under Non-Program)
- (SCIL) Scientific Literacy *Recommendation from major:* Lab Science course (4 sh count under Non-Program)

Subtotal of credits counted in this section: 9 sh

Rowan Experience Requirements

Students must satisfy all three Rowan Experience attributes. Credits attached to the courses in this section will apply elsewhere.

- (LIT) Broad-Based Literature Attribute *Recommendation from major:*
- (WI) Writing Intensive Attribute *Recommendation from major:*
- (RS) Rowan Seminar Attribute² *Recommendation from major:*

Non-Program Courses (43 sh)

Courses in this section cannot be in the major department.

Course #	Course Name	Course Attributes / Notes	Sem/Yr	Grade	Credits
		Any Geography Course			3
HLT 00103	Health and Wellness				3
MATH 01201	Structures of Mathematics I	Satisfies Quantitative Literacy			3
MATH 01301	Structures of Mathematics II				3
MUSG 06218 OR ART 09110	Music and the Child OR ART 09110 Experiencing Art	Satisfies Artistic Literacy			3
PSY 09209	Child and Adolescent Development				3
		Any Sociology Course (Sociology of the Family recommended and Satisfies Global Literacy)			3

¹ The Rowan Core requirements are waived for transfer students with an earned A.A. or A.S. degree from a NJ community/county college.

² The Rowan Seminar requirement is waived for all students transferring 24 or more approved credits into Rowan University at the time of initial entry.

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Course #	Course Name	Course Attributes / Notes	Sem/Yr	Grade	Credits
		Any Biological or Physical Science Lab course that satisfies the Scientific Literacy			4
		Any Biological or Physical Science non-lab science			3
		Any History course			3
		Any Literature course			3
SPED 08130	Human Exceptionality	Satisfies Humanistic Literacy			3
FNDS 21150	History of American Education	Satisfies Humanistic Literacy			3
FNDS 21230 or PSY 22215	Characteristics of Knowledge Acquisition or Educational Psychology				3
					Subtotal: 43 sh

Major Requirements (38 sh)

SUMMARY OF MAJOR REQUIREMENTS

- 38 sh of Early Childhood Education and education Courses
 - Benchmarks – Required Graduation and Certification Tests
 - Requirements for Dual Major
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- 38 sh total

EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION COURSES

Course #	Course Name	Course Designations / Notes	Sem/Yr	Grade	Credits
ECED 02211	Seminar: Principles & Pedagogies	Taken with INCL 02210			1
ECED 23220	Contemporary Child in the Family and Community				3
ECED 23320	Building Brains: Competency and Resiliency				3
ECED 23321	Effective learning environments for diverse children				3
ECED 23322	Planning, Integrating and Adapting Curriculum: Math and Science				3
ECED 23430	Observation, Assessment, and Evaluation of Diverse Learners				3
ECED 23431	Planning, Integrating, and Adapting Curriculum: Across the Content				3
ECED 23446	Clinical Practice in Early Childhood Education				10
ECED 23447	Early Childhood Education Clinical Seminar	Taken with SECD 03350			1
INCL 02210	Principles and Pedagogies in the Inclusive Classroom	Taken with ECED 02211			2
READ 30320	Language Development: Emergent Literacy				4
SECD 03350	Teaching Students of Linguistic and Cultural Diversity	Taken with ECED 23447			1
SMED 33420	Educational Technology				1
					Subtotal: 38 sh

BENCHMARKS - REQUIRED GRADUATION AND CERTIFICATION TESTS

Benchmark	Test Name	Notes	Semester	Grade	Check if met
BENCHMARK #1 – Admission to Certification Program & Junior Clinical Experience	Praxis Core: Reading 156 (Test# 5712)	Qualifying scores for all Praxis tests must be on file in the COE Advising Center by posted deadlines	5	156*	
	Praxis Core: Math (test #5732)			150*	
	Praxis Core: Writing (test #5722)			162*	
BENCHMARK #2 – Enrollment in Clinical Practice (year-long residency)	Praxis II Early Childhood (test #5025)	Qualifying scores for all Praxis tests must be on file in the COE Advising Center by posted deadlines	6	156*	
BENCHMARK #3 – Program completion and recommendation for certification	edTPA Portfolio (submitted during Residency semester 2)	Tasks 1, 2, and 3 successfully submitted (No error codes) during Clinical Practice.	8	TBD*	

*Grades reflect minimum passing scores

Exemption from Basic Skills Assessment (Praxis Core): You may qualify for exemption from Praxis Core. Check the link to see if you qualify:

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▪ <http://www.state.nj.us/education/educators/rpr/preparation/BasicSkillsExemptionCutScores.pdf>

Requirements for Dual Major Students

Choose and complete one of the following Dual Majors.

American Studies
(33 sh)

Liberal Studies: Humanities /
Social Sciences (with restrictions*)
(36-45 sh)

Literacy Studies
(34 sh)

Writing Arts
(34 sh)

* Students choosing the Liberal Studies: Humanities / Social Sciences major must select 2 from Sequence A or 1 from A and 1 from B):

Sequence A:
American Studies
Applied Spanish
English
Geography
History
Political Science

Sequence B:
Mathematics
Physical Science: Chemistry
Physical Science: General Chemistry and Physics
Physical Science: Physics
Physics
Writing Arts

Free Electives for this Major/Degree

The number of Free Electives will vary—depending on which major students choose. Students should choose Free Electives that satisfy any Rowan Core or Rowan Experience requirements that are not fulfilled by Major or Non-Program courses. Courses taken to satisfy the Dual Major can also count as Free Elective in this program.

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Course #	Course Name	Course Attributes / Notes	Sem/Yr	Grade	Credits

Total Program Credits Required for this Major / Degree: 120 SH