

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN EDUCATION

# EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION POLICY

Due to recent workforce shifts during the global pandemic, early childhood educators have emerged as an essential resource, and there exists a dire need for early childhood education advocacy in the larger legislative and education policy arena. With the Early Childhood Education Policy program, you will learn the essential interdisciplinary insights necessary for success in the early childhood education field. Through study in this program, you'll become a policy leader ready to work with schools, non-profit organizations, governmental agencies, advocacy groups, and institutes of higher education to focus on inclusion and support for all children and families. The 30-credit M.S.E. in Early Childhood Education Policy program is designed for both professionals and recent college graduates who aspire to advance their careers through a focus on policy studies.

M.S.E. Early Childhood Education Policy: where pedagogy, policy and system meet to serve the child and their family.

## Why pursue an M.S.E. in Early Childhood Education Policy at UW-Whitewater?

- 30 Credits
- Complete in as little as 15 months
- Enroll full- or part-time
- Fully asynchronous, **online** learning for maximum flexibility. Ability to join scheduled live sessions, synchronously, if desired. *Not required.*
- Join a passionate, committed, caring group of educators building solutions toward inclusive, creative and equitable access and outcomes for all children.



Creating pathways for historically underrepresented populations at the policy level

https://www.uww.edu/online/masters/early-childhood-education-policy

### M.S.E. Early Childhood Education Policy | 30 credits | Earn ONLINE

Deadline to apply: at least 2 weeks prior to beginning course date

Summer One		
EARLYCHD 711	Early Childhood Education & Care Policy: Theory, Analysis & Research	3
EARLYCHD 713	Trends in Curriculum for the Pre- School/Primary Child	3
EARLYCHD 714	Early Childhood Education and Care Today: Examining Practices	3
Fall		
CIGNRL/ ED- FOUND 723	Issues, Perspectives and Directions: A Professional Seminar in Education	3
CIGENRL 796	Early Childhood Education & Care Today: Policy, Leadership & Policy Advocacy	3
Spring		
CIGENRL 696	Early Childhood Education and Care: History, Child Development & Equity	3
Elective	See elective choices	3

Summer Two		
EDFOUND 780	Reading, Analyzing, and Evaluating Educational Research	3
or CIGENRL702	Reflective Practice and Action Research	3
CIFLD 793	Practicum	3
EDUINDP 789	Capstone Seminar	3

Electives		
CIGENRL 710	Current Topics in Curriculum and Instruction	3
CIGENRL 715	Applied Theory to Practice for Curriculum and Instruction	3
EDFOUND 710	Education in a Pluralistic Society	3
SPECED 703	Promoting Reform Through Collaborative Leadership	3
SPECED 766	Professional Collaborations: Families & Community Agencies	3

#### **Admissions Requirements:**

Bachelor's or higher degree from a regionally accredited institution and minimum GPA of 2.75 overall undergraduate GPA or 2.90 in last half of undergraduate degree or 3.0 in graduate level coursework. Prior to applying to the Master of Science in Education – Early Childhood Education Policy program, please review the admissions requirements and application process available at: uww.edu/gradstudies/admissions.

#### **Transfer Credit**

If you have graduate credits that you would like to transfer into the program, you must complete the transfer credit form available on the UW-Whitewater Graduate Studies Admissions website. Please contact Dr. Lucinda Heimer, Program Coordinator, to discuss possible transfer credits.

#### **Tuition:**

UW-Whitewater Summer 2021 graduate tuition rate: \$511.81 per credit (in-state) or \$1060.82 per credit (out-of-state) plus the \$50 per credit online fee. All students participating in this master's degree will be charged the current graduate tuition rate. Graduate tuition rates for Fall 2022 and beyond have yet to be determined by the board of regents.

If interested in only taking a course or selected courses and NOT completing the entire master's degree, you may apply as a non-candidate for degree special student through the onlineapplication available at: apply.wisconsin.edu



