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2024-2025 Certificate Completion Plan

Upon completion of this program, candidates who have a current initial license with an endorsement in elementary education, such as preK-3, or prek-6, or special education early childhood, issued by the Virginia Board of Education are eligible for an Add-On Endorsement in Early Childhood for 3 and 4 year olds.

CORE COURSES (9 hours)		<u>Hrs</u>	<u>Semester</u>	Grade
EDUC 501	Advanced Child Development	3		
EDEC 653	Current Issues in Early Childhood Education	3		
EDEC 670	Curriculum & Methods for Early Childhood ^{1,2}	3		
FIELD EXPERIENCE COURSE (0 hours)				
EDEC 598	Field Experience Practicum: Early Childhood ^{1,2,3,4,5}	0		
	TOTAL HOURS	9		

Completion Requirements

9 total hours

A maximum of 50% of the program hours may be transferred approved and allowable, including credit from an earned degree from Liberty University on the same academic level 2.0 GPA

No grade of D may be applied to the certificate (includes grades of D+ & D-)

Certificate must be completed within 3 years

Submit Certificate Completion Application at beginning of final semester

Offered in Online Format

Notes

Candidates who want to apply certificate courses to a graduate degree program will have to abide by the GPA and grade requirements of that degree ¹Candidates seeking the Add-on Endorsement for Early Childhood 3 and 4 year olds should take EDEC 598 as a co-requisite with EDEC 670 ²EDEC 598 requires a 45 hour practicum ³EDEC 598 requires a cleared background check ⁴EDEC 598 should not be taken during summer terms due to limited field placement availability ⁵If a candidate is not seeking to fulfill the licensure practicum requirement, he/she may contact <u>soelicensure@liberty.edu</u> for optout course availabilities