

**Texas Woman's University**  
**Department of Family Sciences**  
**M. Ed. in Early Childhood Education**  
[36 hours thesis/ 39 hours non-thesis]

**CORE (9 hours)**

- FS 5003 - Lifespan Human Development or FS 5223 Child Growth and Human Development
- FS 5113 - Theories of Human Development
- FS 5213 - Curriculum Development in Early Childhood

**RESEARCH (12 hours - Thesis option; 6 hours – Non-thesis option)**

- FS 5693 – Research Methods
- Master's level statistics
- FS 5983/5993 - Thesis (thesis option only)

**CONTENT SPECIALIZATION (15 hours – Thesis; 24 hours – Non-thesis)**  
**[All students must take the following *three* courses (9 hours)]**

- FS 5203 - Language and Literacy in Early Childhood
- FS 5263 - Observation and Assessment of Early Childhood
- FS 5273 - Reflections and Perspectives of Early Childhood Education

**[Students pursuing the thesis option take *two* of the following courses below. Students pursuing the non-thesis option take *three* of the following courses, as well as *two* courses from a Related Area.]**

- FS 5283 - Technology and the Young Learner
- FS 5253 - Gender Role Development
- FS 5533 - Parenting Education
- FS 5593 - Play, Development and the Young Learner
- FS 5613 - Child Guidance
- FS 5643 - Infants and Toddlers
- FS 5653 - Program Planning in Early Childhood
- FS 5673 - Administration and Management in Programs for Young Children
- FS 5773 - Home/School/Community Partnerships
- FS 5783 - Issues in Early Childhood Research and Evaluation

**RELATED AREA (Students pursuing the non-thesis option take 6 hours from one of the following areas:)**

**Special Education**

- EDSP 5163 - Inclusive Educational Programming
- EDSP 5543 - Characteristics of Gifted/Talented/Creative Individuals
- EDSP 5553 - Methods, Materials, and Curriculum Design for Gifted/Talented

## **Bilingual Education**

- EDBE 5333 - Curriculum for Bilingual Education: Methods and Materials
- EDBE 5413 - Teaching Reading and Other Language Arts to Linguistically Different Learners
- EDBE 5453 - English as a Second Language: Methods
- EDBE 5633 - Education in Culturally Diverse Environments
- EDBE 5653 - Second Language Acquisition: Theories and Practices

## **Educational Administration**

- ELDR 5103 - Leadership in Educational Settings
- ELDR 5143 - Theories of Learning and Educational Measurement
- ELDR 5623 - Women and Careers in Education

## **Professional Studies**

- EDUC 5113 - Law, Ethics, and Professional Roles and Responsibilities
- EDUC 5123 - Learning Theory, Development, and Research
- EDUC 5133 - Assessment and Instructional Design and Delivery for Diverse Learners

## **Family Studies**

- FS 5123 - Theories of the Family
- FS 5153 - Family Changes and Diversity
- FS 5663 - Leadership and Staff Development in Family Sciences Programs
- FS 5823 - Families and Public Policy