Department: Education  
Degree: Bachelor of Arts  
Major: Early Childhood Education

Number of semesters to degree completion: 4
*Example for planning purposes only*

**1st Semester (16 Credits)**
- 38-1125 Lifespan Development (3cr)
- 38-2130 Language Development (3cr)
- 38-2140 Child, Family & Community (3cr)
- 38-3100 Pre-Primary Methods: Math, Science & Technology (4cr)
- 38-3110 Pre-Primary Seminar I: Language, Literacy and the Arts Methods (3cr)

**2nd Semester (14 Credits)**
- 38-1101 Children’s Literature (1cr)
- 38-2110 Foundations of ECE II (2cr)
- 38-2111 Materials Explorations (1cr)
- 38-3120 Schools & Society (3cr)
- 38-3130 Pre-Primary Seminar II w/Practicum: Environment & Classroom Management (3cr)
- 38-3135 Observation, Assessment & Documentation (3cr)
- CWE (1cr)

**3rd Semester (15 Credits)**
- 38-2155 The Exceptional Child (3cr)
- 38-3140 Primary Reading Methods (3cr)
- 38-3150 Primary Math, Science & Technology Methods (4cr)
- 38-3160 Primary Seminar I with Social Studies Methods (3cr)
- 38-3180 Role of Art in Development (2cr)

**4th Semester (15 Credits)**
- 38-2150 Theoretical Foundations of ESL (3cr)
- 38-3170 Primary Student Teaching with Seminar (10cr)
- 38-3190 Reflective Teaching (2cr)

**Special notes for transfer students:** This plan assumes that a transfer student has taken 1) no ECE classes and 2) all General Education classes for teacher certification (these are very similar to the LAS Core courses but include two math classes and both a biological and a physical science (one with a lab)). This is a very demanding schedule in terms of time and work load and assumes strong academic skills and limited external demands on students. For ease of integration of complex ideas and in order to do the suggested focus area (to contextualize or enrich one’s teaching), students may be advised to take summer classes or enroll in an additional semester after student teaching.

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**Key:**
- **CWE:** College-wide elective. Choose from any course in Columbia’s catalog for which you have met requisites.

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1 *Semesters to degree completion are calculated assuming 60 total credits in transfer with all Liberal Arts & Sciences Core requirements complete and no major requirements transferred in. Students may lessen the length of time to degree completion by transferring in applicable major courses. Please see TRANSFEROLOGY for information on individual course equivalencies. Full-time status at Columbia College Chicago is 12-16 credits per term. All degree-seeking undergraduate students are required to complete Global Awareness (3 credits), U.S. Pluralism (3 credits), Writing Intensive (3 credits), and upper division (2000 level or higher) LAS core courses (6 credits). Except for Writing Intensive, these requirements may be met in transfer.*