

BECE Admission, Program, and Graduation Requirements

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Admission Requirements for Bachelor's Degree in Early Care and Education

Students enrolling in the BECE may exhibit a range of prior levels of preparation. Generally, all students are required to have completed 60 credits of lower-division coursework. This could include the A.S. degree in Early Childhood Education and general core requirements. All students seeking admission to the BECE must meet the **University's admission requirements**. In addition, each applicant must have:

- Attained a minimum GPA of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale on lower division undergraduate coursework for a total of 60 credits;
- Earned an AA degree or completed the *General Education Core Requirements*;
- Fulfilled the *Foreign Language Requirement*; and
- Satisfied *Gordon Rule (GR)/Writing Across the Curriculum (WAC) Requirements*.

BECE Course Requirements Bachelor's Degree in Early Care and Education

As a joint program of two FAU departments, the BECE is made up of coursework, field experiences, and advisement from both departments. In sum, all students must meet these requirements:

Lower Division Requirements (60 credits)

Transfer Credits

A careful review of student transcripts will guide advising decisions for acceptance of previous coursework and selection of additional coursework. These decisions are guided by the Articulation Agreements with community/state colleges for students who completed the Associates of Science (A.S.) degrees in Early Childhood and Associates of Arts (AA) degrees from Community and State Colleges in Florida.

Completion of FAU's **Intellectual Foundations Program - General Education Curriculum** and additional coursework to total 60 credits; meeting requirements or Associate of Arts (AA) Degree from Community and State Colleges in Florida; completion of Associate of Science (AS) and additional General Education Curriculum requirements

BECE Core (21 credits)*

- EEX 3201 Typical/Atypical Development: B-8 (3cr)
- EEC 3214 Designing & Implementing a Blended Curriculum: B-8 (3cr)
- EEX 3226 Assessment of ALL Young Children (*Pre-requisites: EEX 3201; EDF 3430; Programmed major*) (3cr)
- EEX 3754 Family, School and Community Partnerships (2cr)
- EEX 3603 Positive Behavioral Support (*Pre-requisites: EEX 3226; Programmed major*)

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- EEX 4112 Language Development & Intervention (*Pre-requisites: EEX 3201; EEX 3226; Programmed major*)
- EEC 4313 Blended Methods: B-5 (*Pre-requisites: EEX 3226; EEC 3214; Programmed major*) (4cr)

*EEX and EEC courses must be taken in this specific sequence.

COE Core (12 credits)

- LAE 4353 Language Arts: B-8 (3cr)
- EDF 3430 Measurement & Evaluation (3cr)
- RED 4308 Reading Dev: B-Grade 3 (*Pre-requisite: LAE 4353*) (3cr). *Special permission is needed for this course; contact Office for Academic Student Services (OASS) in the College of Education for permission.*
- TSL 4080 Introduction to TESOL (3 cr)

Open Electives (15 credits)**

- 15 credits of Open Electives—[see options here](#)

**Electives must be selected in consultation with your BECE advisor.

Program Electives (12 credits)**

- 12 credits of Program Electives—[see options here](#)

**Electives must be selected in consultation with your BECE faculty advisor.

BECE graduation requirements

These are consistent with FAU and College Education standards. Each candidate for graduation must:

- Be programmed for admission to the BECE degree program by a faculty advisor from the Department of Special Education or the Department of Curriculum, Culture, and Educational Inquiry;
- Fulfill all admissions, program, and course requirements;
- Earn a minimum of 120 credits in academic courses acceptable toward the degree;
- Earn a minimum of 45 of these credits at the upper division; Earn the last 30 upper-division credits in residence at FAU;
- Earn at least 75 percent of all upper-division courses from the Department of Curriculum, Culture, and Educational Inquiry and/or Special Education;

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- Earn a C or better in all BECE and College of Education (COE) courses; earn C- or better in non-COE courses;
- Maintain a 2.5 GPA upon graduation; and
- Submit a completed Application for Degree form.