

# ADVANCE

A NOVA | MASON PARTNERSHIP

A.A.S. Early Childhood Development / B.S.Ed. Early Childhood Education for Diverse Learners - Early Childhood Special Education (Licensure), Early/Primary Education PreK-3 (Licensure), or No Concentration  
**2022-2023**

## A.A.S. Early Childhood Development

### ADVANCE Program Milestones

**ADVANCE Milestone Requirements:** All ADVANCE students must adhere to the following requirements. For Milestones #1-#3, failure to meet these milestones will prevent a student from matriculating to Mason and/or result in termination from ADVANCE. For Milestones #4-#7, failure to meet these milestones may delay matriculation to Mason.

1. Students must complete their NOVA degree within 4 years of being admitted into ADVANCE. Students are highly encouraged to be continuously enrolled at NOVA/Mason to support progress towards degree completion.
2. Students must maintain a minimum 2.5 cumulative GPA at NOVA and must have a minimum 2.5 GPA upon matriculation to Mason.
3. Students who wish to enroll at Mason for the fall semester must apply for NOVA spring graduation by March 1 or summer graduation by June 1. Students who wish to enroll at Mason for the spring semester must apply for NOVA fall graduation by October 1.
4. Students must begin developmental coursework no later than the first semester in ADVANCE at NOVA.
5. Students must take first college-level MTH course and ENG 111 in the semester immediately following the completion of any MDE or EDE courses (excluding summer).
6. In the first 30 credits, students must complete ENG 111 and ENG 112 with a C or better.
7. Students must complete a Mason Core Quantitative Reasoning course equivalent with a C or better no later than one semester before NOVA graduation. Refer to your pathway to select the appropriate MTH course(s).

#### ADVANCE Program-Specific Requirements:

##### All Concentrations Require:

1. Students must receive a C or better in all major courses for teacher licensure.
2. Before matriculating to Mason, students should attempt the Virginia Communication and Literacy Assessment (VCLA).

##### The Early/Primary Education PreK-3 Licensure and the Early Childhood Special Education and Early/Primary Education PreK-3 Dual Licensure concentrations also require:

3. Students should meet with the Mason Content Area Advisor prior to matriculating: <https://cehd.gmu.edu/endorse>
4. Students must pass VCLA and other state-mandated licensure exams prior to applying for Mason internship: <https://education.gmu.edu/teacher-track/about-teacher-track/test-requirements>.

##### The Early Childhood Special Education Licensure concentration also requires:

5. Students must pass the VCLA prior to applying for Mason internship.

	NOVA DEGREE REQUIREMENT	Credits	Courses	MASON TRANSFER EQUIVALENT	MASON CORE/DEGREE EQUIVALENT
1	SDV Course	1	SDV 100 College Success Skills OR SDV 101 Orientation to Education ( <b>Strongly Recommended</b> )	UNIV 100	General Elective
2	ENG 111	3	ENG 111 College Composition I	ENGH 101	Written Comm
3	EDU 235	3	EDU 235 Health, Safety, and Nutrition Education	ECED XXX	General Elective
4	CHD 165	3	CHD 165 Observation/Participation/Early Childhood/Primary Settings	ECED XXX	General Elective
5	CHD 120	3	CHD 120 Introduction to Early Childhood Education	ECED 201	Major
6	CHD 145	3	CHD 145 Teaching Art, Music, and Movement to Children	ECED XXX	General Elective
7	CHD 205	3	CHD 205 Guiding the Behavior of Children	ECED XXX	General Elective
8	CHD 118	3	CHD 118 Language Arts for Young Children	ECED XXX	General Elective
9	CHD 146	3	CHD 146 Math, Science, Social Studies for Children	ECED XXX	General Elective
10	MTH 154	3	MTH 154 Quantitative Reasoning	MATH 106	Quantitative
11	ENG 112	3	ENG 112 College Composition II	ENGH XXX	General Elective
12	CHD 216	3	CHD 216 Early Childhood Programs, School and Social Change	HDFS L300	General Elective
13	PSY 230	3	PSY 230 Developmental Psychology	PSYC 211	General Elective
14	EDU 200	3	EDU 200 Introduction to Teaching as a Profession	EDUC 200	General Elective
15	CHD 166	3	CHD 166 Infant and Toddler Programs	ECED XXX	General Elective
16	CHD 210	3	CHD 210 Introduction to Exceptional Children	ECED XXX	General Elective
17	BIO 101	4	BIO 101 General Biology I	BIOL 103/105	Nat Science

18	CHD 270	3	CHD 270 Administration of Childcare Programs	ECED XXX	General Elective
19	ENG 250	3	ENG 250 Children's Literature	ELED 258	Literature
20	HIS 121 or HIS 122	3	HIS 121 United States History to 1877 <b>OR</b> HIS 122 United States History Since 1865	HIST 121 HIST 122	Soc/Behav
21	CHD 265	3	CHD 265 Adv. Observation/Participation/Early Childhood/Primary Settings	HDFS L498	General Elective

**A.A.S. EARLY CHILDHOOD  
DEV. DEGREE TOTAL** 62

For academic policies and procedures, please see NOVA catalog - <http://www.nvcc.edu/catalog/index.html>

## B.S.Ed Early Childhood Education for Diverse Learners - Early Childhood Special Education (Licensure), Early/Primary Education PreK-3 (Licensure), or No Concentration

Note: All coursework in the major requires a grade of C or better for licensure.

	MASON DEGREE REQUIREMENT	Credits	Course	MASON CORE/DEGREE EQUIVALENT
22	Gen Ed: Written Communication (Upper-level)	3	ENGH 302 Advanced Composition	Written Comm
23	Program Core Requirements	3	ECED 401 Developmental Pathways of Diverse Learners, Birth-Adolescence	Major
24	Program Core Requirements	3	ECED 402 Foundations of Language and Literacy for Diverse Prekindergarten and Kindergarten Learners	Major
25	Program Core Requirements	3	ECED 403 Inclusive Curriculum for Young Learners: Planning Instruction and Guidance	Major
26	Gen Ed: Natural Science (Lab)	4	Approved Natural Science with Lab <sup>1</sup> ( <b>Must be different discipline from above</b> )	Nat Science
27	Gen Ed: Global Understanding	3	Approved Global Understanding course <sup>1</sup> (GG5 101 recommended)	Global
28	Program Core Requirements	3	ECED 404 Engaging Families of Diverse Learners, Birth-Grade 6	Major
29	Program Core Requirements	3	ECED 411 Assessment of Diverse Young Learners	Writing Intensive
30	Concentration Requirements	3	<b>EC Special Education Licensure Concentration:</b> ECED 405 Introduction to Early Childhood Special Education <b>PreK-3 Licensure concentration:</b> MATH 110 Introductory Probability <b>OR</b> MATH 271 Mathematics for Elementary School Teachers I <b>No Concentration:</b> Approved no-concentration or concentration course <sup>2</sup>	Major
31	Gen Ed: Arts	3	Approved Arts course <sup>1</sup>	Arts
32	Gen Ed: Information Technology	3	Approved Information Technology course <sup>1</sup>	Info Tech
33	Gen Ed: Oral Communication	3	Approved Oral Communication course <sup>1</sup>	Oral Comm
34	Gen Ed: Western Civilization	3	Approved Western Civilization course <sup>1</sup>	Western Civ
35	Concentration Requirements	3	<b>EC Special Education Licensure concentration:</b> ECED 406 Medical and Developmental Aspects of Disabilities of Diverse Young Learners <b>PreK-3 Licensure concentration:</b> ECED 412 Language and Literacy Assessment and Instruction for Diverse Primary Grade Learners <b>No Concentration:</b> Approved no-concentration or concentration course <sup>2</sup>	Major

36	Concentration Requirements	3	<p><b>EC Special Education Licensure concentration:</b> ECED 422 Developing Language, Literacy, and Communication of Diverse Infants and Toddlers</p> <p><b>PreK-3 Licensure concentration:</b> ECED 413 Integrating Social Studies Across the Content Areas for Diverse Young Learners</p> <p><b>No Concentration:</b> Approved no-concentration or concentration course<sup>2</sup></p>	Major
37	Concentration Requirements	3	<p><b>EC Special Education Licensure concentration:</b> ECED 423 Early Intervention for Infants Toddlers with Disabilities: Collaborative &amp; Consultative Approaches</p> <p><b>PreK-3 Licensure concentration:</b> ECED 415 Mathematics for Diverse Young Learners</p> <p><b>No Concentration:</b> Approved no-concentration or concentration course<sup>2</sup></p>	Major
38	Concentration Requirements	0-3	<p><b>EC Special Education Licensure concentration and No Concentration:</b> Not needed</p> <p><b>PreK-3 Licensure concentration:</b> ECED 416 Science for Diverse Young Learners</p>	
39	Gen Ed: Synthesis/Program Core Requirement	12	<p><b>EC Special Education Licensure concentration and PreK-3 Licensure concentration:</b> ECED 490 Internship in Early Childhood Education</p> <p><b>No Concentration:</b> ECED 492 Internship in Early Childhood Education (Non-Licensure)</p>	Synthesis
40	Program Core Requirements	3	ECED 491 Seminar in Early Childhood Education for Diverse Learners	Major

**B.S.ED EARLY CHILDHOOD** 126-129  
**DEGREE TOTAL**

**Important Academic Information:**

<sup>1</sup>For approved Mason Core courses, please visit - <https://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/>

<sup>2</sup>For approved No Concentration course options, please visit: <https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/education-human-development/school-education/early-childhood-education-diverse-learners-bsed/#requirementstext>

**Additional General Notes & Resources:**

- For academic policies and procedures, please see Mason catalog - <https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/>
- Students seeking a bachelor's degree must apply at least 45 credits of upper-level courses (numbered 300 or above) toward graduation.