

Childhood Education

Professional Certification

This program is for those who:

- Hold a valid NYS Initial Teacher Certificate in Childhood Education, Grades 1–6.
- Are seeking the Master of Education as well as a recommendation for the Professional Teacher Certificate in Childhood Education, Grades 1–6.

Subject code & Number	Course Title	Credits	Semester	Grade
MAJOR REQUIREMENTS				
LAI 662 OR LAI 515	Research Seminar in Elementary Education OR (Approved Substitution) Action Research to Improve Teaching and Learning	3		
EMPHASIS AREA (Choose One)				18 Credits
General Elementary Course Options: LAI 521, , LAI 530, LAI 540, LAI 551, LAI 560, LAI 565, LAI 600, or approved course from Advisor				
Literacy Course Options: LAI 551, LAI 556, LAI 557, LAI 558, LAI 559, LAI 560, LAI 563, LAI 565, LAI 629, or approved course from Advisor				
Bilingual Course Options: LAI 581, LAI 586, LAI 587, LAI 588, LAI 592, LAI 681, LAI 690, or approved course from Advisor				
Mathematics Course Options: LAI 527, LAI 529, LAI 530, LAI 540, LAI 542, LAI 545, LAI 547, LAI 600, or approved course from Advisor				
Science Course Options: LAI 524, LAI 530, LAI 531, LAI 533, LAI 534, LAI 540, LAI 600, or approved course from Advisor				
Social Studies Course Options: LAI 520, LAI 521, LAI 523, LAI 551, LAI 565, LAI 622, or approved course from Advisor				
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ELECTIVES (*Contact Advisor for approved courses)				12 Credits
COURSE X		3		
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COURSE X		3		
				33 Total Credits

Advisement notes:

- Students should meet with assigned Advisor for program to be informed on what courses they will need to take in appropriate semesters
- Students must successfully complete (B- or better) *all courses*
- Approved elective courses can be chosen from other emphasis area course options, but students should confirm with advisor on what courses can work
- LAI 527 and LAI 540 are modularized courses and are completed between fall and spring semester

Completion of Program

To successfully earn a Master of Education degree (Ed.M.) from the University at Buffalo, students must:

- Earn grades of B- or better in all program coursework
- Achieving overall GPA of at least 3.0
- Meet any conditions of admission and/or continued admission
- Provide proof of Initial Certification
- Be up to date with Mandatory Child Abuse workshop, any additional NYS required workshops

For additional program information, visit:

<https://ed.buffalo.edu/academics/teacher-ed/childhood.professional.html>