SCHOOL OF EDUCATION & COGNITIVE SCIENCE

Bachelor of Education (Early Childhood Education) (Hons)

The Bachelor of Education (Early Childhood Education) programme is designed for those who want a comprehensive teaching degree that will assist them in building successful career in the early childhood education sector; and most importantly for those with a passion for teaching.

Learning Outcome

The programme is designed to enhance the knowledge and skills of practicing early childhood educators with knowledge about the cognitive, emotional, social and moral development of children from birth until 8 years of age. Based on this knowledge, the programme examines the different methods, strategies and techniques of enhancing the multiple intelligences of children; namely:

- verbal and linguistic intelligence
- quantitative and mathematical intelligence
- musical intelligence
- physical & kinesthetic intelligence
- scientific intelligence

The programme structure also seeks to examine the needs of children with special needs and the gifted. Included is how educators should establish relationship with parents and the community; and the management of child development centres.

Entry Requirement

Regular Entry:
Candidate must possess the following:
- Diploma approved by LAN/MQA (Malaysian Qualifications Agency) or other qualifications recognised by the AeU Senate
  OR
- a minimum of two (2) Principals in STPM or equivalent qualifications (eg. A-Level)

Open Entry:
- Be at least 21 years of age and possess a
- PMR/SPM/MCE/UEC or equivalent qualifications subject to an assessment of work experience and prior learning experience
  AND
- 2 years teaching experience or related experience in an education/ training institution
Programme Subjects

MPU Subjects (21 credit hours)
1. Islam & Asian Civilizations
2. Ethnic Relations
3. Information Literacy & Research Skills
4. Entrepreneurship & Ethics in Asia
5. Personal Development Project
6. Academic Writing
7. Asian Studies

Core Subjects (33 credit hours)
1. Philosophy of Education
2. Developing the Curriculum
3. Enhancing Teacher Professionalism
4. Children with Special Needs
5. Instructional Technology & Learning Resources
6. Evaluation & Testing in the Classroom
7. Educational Psychology
8. Co-Curricular Activities
9. Counselling in Schools
10. Pedagogical Models & Strategies
11. Schools & Society

Major Subjects (48 credit hours)
1. Foundations of Early Childhood Education
2. Language & Literacy of Young Children
3. Emotional & Social Development of Children
4. Children’s Health, Nutrition & Safety
5. Management & Quality of Early Childhood Centres
6. Gifted Children
7. Creative Arts for Children
8. Music, Movement and Play
9. Home-School Partnership
10. Children Learning Mathematics
11. Science for Young Children
12. Evaluation & Observation of Children
13. Social Studies for Young Children
14. Technology & Children
15. Research in the Classroom I
16. Research in the Classroom II

Practicum (6 credit hours)

Electives Subjects (12 credit hours)
1. Moral Education in the School Curriculum
2. Teaching Methods & Strategies in Moral Education
3. Assessment in Moral Education
4. Issues & Trends in Moral Education

Programme Delivery

You do not have to leave your place of work. You can be anywhere in Malaysia and still pursue the B.Ed(ECE). Most likely you are already a kindergarten teacher or a caregiver in a nursery. The mode of delivery of the B.Ed (ECE) is shown in the figure below:

Independent Study
As a distance learner, you will have to do a lot of studying on your own. You will be provided with all the learning materials written in a form that is easy to understand. The writing style of the learning materials is friendly and conversational, as though the lecturer is there talking to you.

Face-to-Face Tutorial
There will be 10 hours of face-to-face tutorials for each 3-credit subject that you take conducted as follows:
- Three (3) tutorial sessions held once a month on weekends
- Tutorials will be conducted at learning centres close to your home.

Online Discussion
You are encouraged to go online and discuss with your classmates and the facilitator. Do not worry if you are not familiar with using the computer. Training will be provided to enable you to use the internet and the learning management system. There are lots of video clips that will help you understand better the concepts and principles you will be learning.

Frequently Asked Questions

1. When are the intakes?
   - January, May, September

2. How do you apply?
   - Go to our website: www.aeu.edu.my
   - Click on “Application”

3. How many subjects per semester?
   - Upon enrolment, you are given 3 subjects per semester.

4. Is there any financial assistance?*
   - If you pay a full semester fee before Week 3 of that semester, you are entitled to 10% discount.
   - PTPTN and EPF withdrawal

5. Where is the venue of the tutorials?
   - Any centres located throughout Malaysia

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