

Approx. program length:

4 years

Credits:

120

Cost per credit:

\$398

[Tuition Guarantee](#)

Shape today's young minds for tomorrow

Teaching young people can be a career and a calling all wrapped up in one. If you've thought about shaping the academic, social and cognitive skills of children, our Bachelor of Science in Education can help you take that next step with a specialized degree in Elementary Teacher Education or Early Childhood Education.

In these BSEd programs, you'll learn to:

- Design and implement effective instruction in preschool or elementary classroom settings
- Meet the needs of diverse pre-K and elementary student populations
- Assess children through observation, interactions and other performance measures
- Meet the needs of students through clinical experience and clinical practice (student teaching)

Teachers often have a special "it factor," an intrinsic desire to make a difference in the lives of students. Our courses help you explore and define your goals into your own personal educational philosophy. We'll help you build your foundation — so you can help young people build theirs.

Support for every step

Wondering how you'll do it all? We've got you covered. You can complete your coursework in four years or less. You'll take just one course at a time, and most are only 5 weeks long so you can balance school with life.

Plus, you'll find plenty of support from our dedicated program support specialists who partner with you during your 100 required hours of clinical experience and clinical practice. Our program support specialists also help you navigate the world of [state licensure requirements](#), single-subject certification, and any questions or obstacles you encounter along the way.

What sets us apart?

When you choose our BSEd, you'll discover:

Licensure support

You're not in this alone. Our program support specialists can help you navigate teacher licensure and credentialing requirements.

Learning built for your life

Designed to fit into the lives of busy working adults, our BSEd program can be completed just one course at a time, and most courses are only 5 weeks long.

District partnerships

We'll help you with school placements for your clinical experience and clinical practice through our close partnerships with hundreds of school districts nationwide.

The goal of accreditation is to ensure that education provided by institutions of higher education meets acceptable levels of quality. Accreditation is your assurance the University meets quality standards.

Institutional accreditation

Regional accreditation is an institution-level accreditation status granted by one of six U.S. regional accrediting bodies. Accreditation by more than one regional accrediting body is not permitted by the U.S. Department of Education.

University of Phoenix is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission (HLC), hlcommission.org. Since 1978, University of Phoenix has been continually accredited by the Higher Learning Commission and its predecessor.

Course length:

5 weeks

Total credits required:

120

Max. number of transfer credits:

90

Requirements and prerequisites

You'll need 120 credits to complete this program. These may be earned from a combination of required and elective courses. Required courses may vary based on previous experience, training or transferable credits. [View general requirements](#)

Transfer credits

Earn your degree faster. [Transfer eligible college credits](#) or apply to [have relevant experience evaluated](#) for potential college credit. Contact an enrollment representative at 844.YES.UOPX for more information.

Clinical practice

During your clinical practice experience — one of the final steps to prepare you to pursue employment in the teaching field — you'll apply your instruction and classroom management skills full time. Working under the supervision of a teacher and a University of Phoenix faculty advisor, you'll develop lesson plans, teach, work with diverse student populations and incorporate technology into the classroom.

Teacher licensure

A Bachelor of Science in Education can help students with no prior teaching experience prepare for initial teacher licensure. As licensure requirements may vary by state, it's your responsibility to learn and meet licensure requirements in any state where you desire to practice.

[View requirements for teacher licensure for your state.](#)

The following programs — BSEd/E, BSEd/ECH, BSLS, MAEd/TED-E, MAEd/TED-S and MAEd/SPE — provide the academic preparation required by most states to sit for initial teacher certification exams.

Residents of Alabama, Delaware, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, New Jersey, Oregon, Puerto Rico and Texas: This is an Arizona-based program. As an out-of-state-prepared candidate for initial teacher licensure, your state requires you to obtain Arizona certification first prior to seeking licensure in your home state.

For more information on licensure requirements, application materials and website information for your state's board or department of education, click on your state in the link below: <http://www.phoenix.edu/colleges/college-of-education/teacher-licensure/state-requirements.html>.

While widely available, not all programs are available in all locations or in both online and on-campus formats. Please check with a University Enrollment Representative.