



The Minor in Education is a way for students interested in education to explore various theoretical aspects of education and to gain experience working with students in a variety of settings. While completion of the minor does not lead to a license or certificate, students who pursue the minor will gain a strong knowledge base in the area of education and be well-prepared to enter a licensure program, graduate program, or career in the field of education. UMass undergraduates from any department are welcome to complete the minor, and **students interested in early childhood or elementary education should seek additional advising regarding prerequisites needed to prepare for pursuing licensure in these areas.**

To complete the Minor in Education, students must take **at least 18 credits of coursework** from the courses listed below. Students must take **at least three credits in each of the four sections**, and **six of the 18 total credits must be at the 300+ level**. Students interested in completing an independent study or enrolling in education credits while studying abroad must seek prior approval through the Educator Information Office before these credits can count toward the Minor in Education.

1. Foundations

- Educ 192A Education at the Movies
- Educ 229 International Education (4 credits)
- Educ 291C Diversity and Change in American Education
- Educ 300 Current Issues in Higher Education
- Psych/Educ 305 Educational Psychology
- Educ 393M Introduction to Early Childhood Education
- Educ 282A Early Childhood Pre-practicum (must be taken concurrently for 1 credit with EDUC 393M)
- Educ 351 Social Foundations of Education
- Educ 492A Controversial Issues in Education
- Educ 524 Work of the Middle and High School Teacher

2. Social Justice

- Educ 115 Embracing Diversity (4 credits)
- Educ 210 Social Diversity in Education (4 credits)
- Educ 325 Introduction to Special Education
- Educ 202 Social Issues in Intergroup Relations (4 credits)
- Educ 377 Introduction to Multicultural Education (4 credits)
- Educ 392 Social Justice Workshops (minimum 3 credits)
- Educ 491A Introduction to Inclusion

3. Human Development

- Educ 293A Love and Work
- HumDev 270 Child Development (4 credits)
- HumDev 300 Human Development in Infancy
- HumDev 370 Adolescent Development
- Psych 350 Child Behavior and Development
- Psych 355 Psychology of Adolescence
- Educ 594M Child and Adolescent Development for the Helping Professional

4. Pedagogy

- Educ 218 Hip Hop Nation Language and Literacy Practice (4 credits)
- Educ 301 Young Children in Families and Schools
- Educ 378 Survey of Children's Literature
- Educ 461 Reading and Language Arts Methods
- Educ 462 Teaching Science in the Elementary School
- Educ 463 Principles and Methods of Teaching Mathematics in the Elementary School
- Educ 482E Pre-practicum I (1-2 credits)
- Educ 497D Creative Arts for the Young Child
- Educ 497I Tutoring in Schools
- Educ 517 Introduction to Computer Use in Teaching
- Educ 593A Technology in the Curriculum
- Educ 593F Classroom Assessment