ADMISSIONS

Admission Requirements

• Bachelor’s Degree with an acceptable GPA
• Minimum 3.0 GPA for ECE units
• 3 Letters of recommendation
• Personal statement

Admission requirements subject to change.

In partnership with First 5 Contra Costa Children and Families Commission, the Concord Campus is able to provide financial support for selected students. First 5 Contra Costa funds a range of programs to promote the optimal development of children age 0 – 5 years in Contra Costa County through scholarships designated for qualified students.

Scholarships and other financial support may be available to students enrolled in Master’s Degrees in Education, Option in Child Care. Students must meet certain criteria, which includes, but is not limited to: living or working in Contra Costa County, completion of required prerequisites, and having a sustained and current employment as an Early Childhood Service Provider in a licensed program, or completion of required prerequisites. Preference is given to residents who are also working graduates in Early Childhood Education.

For more information regarding these scholarships, visit www.concord.csueastbay.edu/ecscholarships.htm.

To learn more about First 5 Contra Costa Children and Families Commission, visit www.firstfivecc.org.

California State University, East Bay - Concord Campus

Master of Science in Education
Concentration in Early Childhood Education
Cal State East Bay's Concord Campus offers you a pathway to a valuable professional degree—with increased career potential—through our Master of Science degree program in Education with a concentration in Early Childhood Education. We are experts in the field, and we also understand that ECE professionals not only strive for success, but also work long days. That's why our MS in Education program is taught using a combination of face-to-face, online, and hybrid classes, with late afternoons and weekend courses, for maximum flexibility and convenience.

**Curriculum in Early Childhood Education**

- Language and Literacy Development
- Numeracy
- The Language Arts—Reading, Writing, Listening, Speaking
- Social Studies
- Science
- The Arts
- The concentration in Early Childhood Education emphasizes developmentally and culturally appropriate practices, "hands-on" experiences, evidence-based instruction—and proven ways to build leadership and professionalism. Our specialized leadership practicum allows you to apply your skills at your own workplace while working with our expert faculty to become a leader in the field of ECE. The accompanying seminar explores current trends, research, and practices within the context of your own job setting.

Leadership and Professionalism

- Supervision
- Reflective Practice
- Professional Presentation
- ECE Organizations

All students in the Master's program must have at least 12 quarter units of courses in child development; or Multiple Subject Teaching Credential; or permission of the instructor.

For more information, questions, and advising, please e-mail Dr. Helgren-Lempesis at valerie.helgren-lempesis@csueastbay.edu. Detailed information about the program is available online at "http://concord.csueastbay.edu/PRODEGREE."