

Field Experience Information

BSED Early Childhood/Childhood Education (Birth – Grade 6)

Students enrolled in the BSED Early Childhood/Childhood Education program are required to complete a minimum of 150 field experience hours prior to student teaching. These field experience hours are embedded over several courses. At the end of each of the courses listed below, students will need to provide evidence of field experience completion.

Course	Required Field Experience Hours
EDU 240: Literacy I: Language Development and Pre-Emergent Literacy	20 hours
EDU 241: Literacy II: Emergent to Early Readers and Writers	20 hours
EDU 242: Literacy III: Transitional to Fluent Readers and Writers	20 hours
EDU 370/EDU 371/EDU 372/EDU 373: Methods Coursework Sequence	40 hours
EDU 375: Strategic Literacy Instruction for Diverse Learners	10 hours
EDU 378: Junior Participation in Field Experiences and Seminars	40 hours

Field Experience Information Hours Requirements (minimum of 150 hours, of which):

- Approximately 50 hours must be in grades Pre-K & Kindergarten
- Approximately 50 hours must be in grades 1-3
- Approximately 50 hours must be in grades 4-6
- At least 15 of your hours must be working with Students with Disabilities (mild to severe)
 - Students with Disabilities (SWD) are those that have been identified and issued an IEP, 504 Plan, or other mandated modification
- At least 15 of your hours must be working with English as a New Language Learners (ENL/ELL)



How to Validate Your Field Experience
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The following information is required for each field experience in which you participate:

1. A signed validation form from the classroom teacher or other supervising professional.
2. The validation form must be scanned into **ONE** document for **each** field experience placement. You will then upload that ONE complete document as an attachment to your **LiveText Field Experience (FEM)** account. Log into LiveText. Click on the Field Experience tab in the upper left corner. Then click “View Placement”. You will then click the “Add Attachment” and upload your document.
3. After your document is attached you will then log the hours into the Time Log of your LiveText Field Experience (FEM) account (it is located to the right of your main Field Experience screen).
 - a. To add the hours for a placement experience, **click “Add Hours”**.
 - b. Type in the **DATE that the experience ended (MM/DD/YYYY)**. For example, if you did 20 field experience hours in a grade 4 class between 2/3/18 and 5/6/18, you would write 5/6/18 as the date in the Time Log.
 - c. In the Number of Hours category, you will type how **many total hours you completed during that particular field experience (HH:MM)**. For example, if you completed 20 hours, you would type 20:00.
 - d. In the Activity slot, you will type “Classroom Experience”.
 - e. In the Category slot, you will choose whether this experience is in a PreK-K, grade 1-3, or in a grade 4-6.
 - f. In the **Additional Information slot**, you will include:
 - i. Name of School/Organization
 - ii. Name of Classroom Teacher or Organizational Professional that validated your form



Field Experience Validation Form
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Complete the validation form below for EVERY experience you have completed.

Student Name _____

Date Experience Began _____ Date Experience Ended _____
Month/Day/Year Month/Day/Year

Grade Level(s) of this Experience _____

Total Hours from this Experience _____

Site/School Name _____

Classroom Teacher/Education Professional Name _____

Site/School Address _____

Site/School Phone Number _____

Classroom Teacher/Education Professional Email Address _____

Classroom Teacher/Education Professional Signature _____

Please note that a representative from Medaille College may contact you via email to verify the student's participation.