

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

BETWEEN

STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK AT COBLESKILL
Bachelor of Science in Early Childhood Studies, Birth to Age 5

AND

SUNY BUFFALO STATE
Master of Science in Education
Childhood Education Initial Teaching Certification (Grades 1-6)

August 2018

I. General Statement of Purpose

This document establishes a formal Memorandum of Understanding between SUNY Cobleskill's Bachelor of Science in Early Childhood Studies, Birth to Age 5 degree program and SUNY Buffalo State's Master of Science in Education - Childhood Education Initial Teaching Certification (Grades 1-6), graduate degree program.

To facilitate the admission of qualified SUNY Cobleskill Bachelor of Science in Early Childhood Studies, Birth to Age 5 degree recipients into SUNY Buffalo State's Master of Science Education - Childhood Education Initial Teaching Certification (Grades 1-6), graduate degree program.

II. Requirements and Terms

- A. Students must earn a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or above at the time of application to the graduate program, and maintain an overall GPA of 3.0 or above at the time of completion and graduation with the Bachelor of Science in Early Childhood Studies, Birth to Age 5 degree.
- B. Students will receive a minimum grade of C or better on all required courses for the Bachelor of Science in Early Childhood Studies, Birth to Age 5 degree program at SUNY Cobleskill, resulting in a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher.
- C. Completion of the Bachelor of Science in Early Childhood Studies, Birth to Age 5 degree program at SUNY Cobleskill.
- D. Completion of the admissions application for SUNY Buffalo State's Master of Science Education, Childhood Education Initial Teaching Certification (Grades 1-6) including:
 - 1) 6 credit hours of study in English, mathematics, science and social studies. (Note: ENGL 101 and 102 do not count towards the English requirement)
 - 2) **A 30 credit concentration in a degree in the Liberal Arts and Sciences (example: English.)**
 - 3) Two years of high school (High School transcript should be submitted with application if applicable) OR two semesters of college study in one foreign language (American Sign Language I and II will fulfill this requirement.)
 - 4) A personal statement following the prescribed format as outlined in the application materials.
 - 5) Three letters of reference on special departmental forms that attest to the applicant's potential as a graduate student and a teacher. (Note: Two references must be from college professors.)

- E. Students will provide SUNY Buffalo State with a final transcript listing degree posted and cumulative GPA for the Bachelor of Science in Early Childhood Studies, Birth to Age 5 program.

III. Benefits and Advantages

- A. Admission to SUNY Buffalo State's Master of Science in Education - Childhood Education Initial Teaching Certification (Grades 1-6), graduate degree program, leading to initial teacher certification for qualified SUNY Cobleskill students.
- B. To attract qualified students to both institutions who wish to pursue a Master's degree leading to NYS Teacher Certification, Grades 1-6.


IV. Review and Revision of this Memorandum of Understanding


This agreement will be reviewed in May of each academic year. Should either party desire to terminate this agreement, notification will be given to the other party, in writing, not less than six months prior to the proposed date of termination. Any students currently in the graduate program at SUNY Buffalo State will be allowed to complete their Master's degree if this agreement is terminated in the future.


SUNY BUFFALO STATE


SUNY COBLESKILL



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GUIDE SHEET
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SUNY Cobleskill Course Sequence (120 Total Credits)

SEMESTER 1		SEMESTER 2	
ECHD 130 Introduction to Early Childhood Programs	3	ECHD 175 Infants and Toddlers	3
FFCS 101 Foundations for College Success	1	ECHD 240 Child and Family Wellness	3
ECHD 121 Expressive Arts	3	MATH 111 College Algebra or higher	3
ENGL 101 Composition I	3	Advisement option	3
ECHD 170 Child Growth and Development Theory and Practice	3	Liberal Arts and Sciences	3
Any lab science from BIOL, CHEM, PHYS and PSCI (recommended BIOL 101 w/Lab)	3	PHED	1
TOTAL CREDITS	16	TOTAL CREDITS	16
SEMESTER 3		SEMESTER 4	
HUMS 243 Children's Literature	3	ECHD 234 Practicum (for Curriculum Option) or Advisement Option	6
ECHD 280 Exceptional Children	3	Technical Elective	3
ECHD 351 Families as Partners in EC Programs or ECHD 352 Positive Child Guidance	3	US History HIST 121 or 122 History of the US I/II	3
Technical Elective	3	Liberal Arts and Sciences	3
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TOTAL CREDITS	15	TOTAL CREDITS	15
SEMESTER 5		SEMESTER 6	
ECHD 452 Assessment and Evaluation in Early Childhood	3	ECHD 351 Families as Partners in EC Programs or ECHD 352 Positive Child Guidance	3
Anything from ENGL 300 level or higher	3	Advisement Option	3
Liberal Arts and Sciences	9	Liberal Arts and Sciences	9
TOTAL CREDITS	15	TOTAL CREDITS	15
SEMESTER 7		SEMESTER 8	
ECHD 380 Internship Orientation	1	ECHD 460 Internship	8
Advisement Option	3	ECHD 461 Internship Reporting	4
Liberal Arts and Sciences Upper Level	12		
TOTAL CREDITS	16	TOTAL CREDITS	12

Advisement Options:

Curriculum:

ECHD 150 Curriculum and Methods
ECHD 234 Practicum (6 credits)
ECHD 354 Math and Science for Young Children
ECHD 357 Literacy Development in Young Children

Child and Family:

ECHD 230 Applications in Child and Family
ECHD Upper Level (300-499)
ECHD 390C Special Project (3 credits)
PSYC 300 Community Psychology
PSYC 350 Abnormal Psychology or PSYC 360 Group Dynamics

Application Requirements: Degree and Content Distribution Worksheet

Name: _____

Use this form to document how you will fulfill the concentration or major in a liberal arts requirement.	
Undergraduate major in one of the liberal arts or sciences. List graduate degrees also if applicable	Major(s): _____ Minor(s): _____

List courses below that will fulfill the academic distribution courses required for Childhood Certification. If you do not have a course that applies, leave blank.			
Requirement	Notes	Check if Completed	List courses needed to complete this requirement
ENGLISH distribution 1	ENG prefix or public speaking		
ENGLISH Distribution 2	ENG prefix above 101/102 level (English Composition)		
MATH Distribution 1	Acceptable courses beyond basic math		
MATH Distribution 2			
SCIENCE Distribution 1	Prefixes may include BIO, CHEM, PHYSICS GEOLOGY EARTH SCI		
SCIENCE Distribution 2			
SOCIAL STUDIES Distribution 1	Prefixes may include HIST, POL SCI, ECO, GEOGRAPHY		
SOCIAL STUDIES Distribution 2			
Study of a Language other than English: Two years of high school (Grades 9-12) or two semesters of college in one language.			
		Check here if EXE 100/500 is completed	Check here if educational psychology, developmental psychology, or human development is completed.