# **School of Education**

# **Degrees Offered**

- Bachelor of Arts in Elementary Education
- Bachelor of Science in Early Childhood Special Education

The School of Education offers opportunities for undergraduate study, leading to degrees in Elementary Education and Early Childhood Special Education. The Elementary Education program is designed for aspiring educators and supports teacher candidates as they build knowledge, practice skills, conduct classroom research, and develop professional competencies for teacher certification, grades K-6. Faculty in the department work with national accreditation standards for this program, and contribute to the profession at university, state, and national levels. The experiences available through this program involve extensive, supported practice in local classrooms and exploration of technology, diversity, social emotional learning, and culturally responsive teaching, facilitated by faculty who are leaders in research, teaching, and service.

The BS in Early Childhood Special Education is an online program in the School of Education that prepares students to earn a teaching certification in pre-k special needs upon graduation. Students access courses in human development, classroom pedagogy, special education. Due to the online nature of the program, students are supported when completing field and residency experiences in their home county.

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