



Master of Education (Early Childhood)

This specialisation provides an in-depth study of research, theories and practice in early childhood education. it focuses on critical investigation and reflection on teaching and learning processes as well as issues and challenges in early childhood education. This specialisation will help early childhood professionals to appreciate and understand the key areas in early childhood such as child development, curriculum, pedagogy, assessment, diversity and leadership. It aims to extend the expertise of early childhood professionals to examine and explore these areas across varied paradigms and perspectives, and develop relevant and innovative early childhood programmes.



Target Audience

Educators and university graduates with a background in education who wish to advance their knowledge and skills in areas of early childhood education.



Entry Requirement

- · A good Bachelor's degree from a recognised university.
- A teaching qualification such as the Postgraduate Diploma in Education from NIE and at least ONE year of teaching experience; OR
 Diploma in Early Childhood Care and Education approved by the Early Childhood Development Agency, Singapore and at least
 THREE years of teaching experience in pre-schools.

For international applicants, more information on the entry requirements can be found <u>here</u>.



Period of Candidature

Full-time 1-2 years

Part-time 2-4 years



Structure

The programme comprises 30 Academic Units (AUs) and offers two options:

· Coursework with Dissertation Route



· Coursework Only Route



Note: The open elective course is to be selected from any of the courses offered in NIE's Master's degree programmes. The offer of electives is reviewed regularly to reflect developments in education and the respective fields. You are advised to take note of the prerequisites (if any) before registering.

Optional Specialisation Courses are offered subject to demand and availability of faculty expertise. Hence, not all specialisation courses are available for selection to every intake.



Testimonial

The programme provided early childhood educators an excellent platform to engage in deep learning. The academic discourse was enlightening and often resulted in the opening of different perspectives. This is particularly valuable to the practitioners and learners in the field. Overall, a challenging but highly enriching journey! I totally enjoyed it!

Ivy Toh, Singapore Current Student

