

# How to Apply for the MAE Early Childhood Education

## – Early Childhood Studies Track –

Before applying, you should be aware of [available tracks](#) and be prepared to indicate your track when completing your graduate application. After you have read the information for the available tracks, if you would like to speak to a faculty Program Coordinator, you may complete the [Contact Form](#) and a faculty member will connect with you to start the conversation.

The following instructions will help you select the appropriate fields when applying to the online MAE program under the Early Childhood Studies Track (on-campus program). These instructions are specific to program selection and do not cover the entire application process.

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After you have filled out the initial sections for [Personal Information & Conduct Disclosure](#), please follow the steps below.

### **Applicant Information Section**

**Indicate** if you have ever submitted an application to the University of Florida.

**Indicate** if you have ever attended the University of Florida.

**Next**, under “Location of Intended Program” **select:** [Main Campus - Gainesville](#)

➤ *This program is only offered as an on-campus option.*

### [Location of Intended Program](#)

UF has many locations where programs are offered; please select your intended location.

[Main Campus - Gainesville](#)

**Click:** Save & Next Page

### **Program of Study**

**Select:** [College of Education](#)

[College of Design, Construction and Planning](#)

[College of Education](#)

[College of Health and Human Performance](#)

From the drop-down list of programs, **select**:

**Early Childhood Education / Degree Name- Master of Arts in Education**

Curriculum and Instruction	Degree Name - Specialist in Education
Early Childhood Education	Degree Name - Master of Arts in Education
Early Childhood Education	Degree Name - Master of Education
Educational Leadership	Degree Name - Doctor of Education

From the dropdown **select** the **term** you wish to be admitted to the program.

➤ *This program only admits once per year, Fall.*

Early Childhood Education	Degree Name - Master of Arts in Education
Select Term: Fall 2025	Save and Confirm Program

**Click:** Save and Confirm Program

Next, you will see **Program Display** with the program you have selected and the term you wish to be admitted.

Below Program Display, you will see **Additional Information**. Under this area you will see two fields, **Program Specialization** and **Department Contact Name**.

**Program Specialization**: this is the field you will type in Early Childhood Studies Track or General Track.

➤ *By selecting the Main Campus-Gainesville location, our admissions team will assume you want the only on-campus Early Childhood Education program offered.*

**Departmental Contact Name**: In this field you may type Dr. Katy Chapman.

## Additional Information

Program specialization	<input type="text"/>
Department contact name	<input type="text"/>

From this point in the UF Graduate Application process you continue with sections that are specific to your background such as academics, test score information, and identifying your references.

Should you have additional questions about the application process, please reach out to [GradAdmissions@coe.ufl.edu](mailto:GradAdmissions@coe.ufl.edu).

We look forward to receiving your application!