Shepherd University

Early Education



IMAGINE. LEARN. INSPIRE.

Join the Shepherd University community to **imagine** your future as an early childhood educator; **learn** new knowledge and develop new skills that will **inspire** young children to be the best they can be. Learn from your peers, skilled practitioners, and experienced professors. Participate in a wide variety of practically oriented courses integrating current research, recommended practices, and hands-on field experiences.

Additional program features include:

- Full-time and part-time programs of study
- Daytime, late afternoon and evening classes
- PRAXIS preparation/support
- Possible tuition reduction/ support through Strategic Alliances

About Shepherd University at Martinsburg

From its beginnings over 130 years ago, Shepherd University has evolved into the region's premier center of higher learning.

The Martinsburg Center makes both undergraduate and graduate studies more convenient, more affordable and more relevant for students.

- Location close to Interstate 81
 Exit 16E, convenient from Charles Town, Martinsburg, Hagerstown, Winchester and surrounding areas.
- High quality programs at a reasonable cost- visit shepherd.edu/faoweb for information about grants, loans, scholarships, payment plans and more.
- Curriculum designed to address current topics and foster critical and creative thinking.
- Exceptional instruction from dedicated faculty who are experts in their fields.



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Early Education Endorsement

A PK-K endorsement may be added to the elementary education K-6 program.

- EDUC 315: Overview of Early
 Education
- EDUC 315L: Overview of Early
 Education Practicum
- EDUC 334: Early Language and Literacy
- EDUC 334L: Clinical Experiences in Early Education
- EDUC 335: Young Children with Exceptionalities
- EDUC 335L: Young Children with Exceptionalities Practicum
- FACS 304: Child Development

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Bachelor of Arts: Early Education

This 120 credit degree program leads to certification in PK-K.

It includes *Core Curriculum* coursework in the liberal arts and sciences, *Specialty Studies* courses in content areas, and *Professional Studies* courses in teaching theory and pedagogy.

Generally, the first 60 credits are offered at the Shepherdstown Campus and the last 60 credits are offered at the Martinsburg Campus.

Early Education coursework includes three semesters with practicum experiences in a variety of settings and culminates with a student teaching internship in both pre-kindergarten and kindergarten settings.

Students may begin the program of study as a freshman or transfer eligible prior coursework.



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