



*Experience  
counts at  
Newman  
University!*

That is why field experience is such an important part of our program. Experience, combined with a solid foundation of knowledge gained through our courses positions Newman University graduates for success in the early childhood classroom and beyond!

**EARLY  
CHILDHOOD  
UNIFIED**  
*Program*

**The Early Childhood Unified (ECU) program at Newman University provides you with the educational background necessary to implement developmentally appropriate practices in a high quality, inclusive early childhood setting birth to grade 3.**

### ***What if you already have an elementary education degree with initial licensure?***

If you already have an elementary education degree, you can add your Early Childhood Unified endorsement to your teaching credentials **IN JUST ONE SEMESTER!**

- **All courses are offered in the summer to allow for students to be immersed in early childhood content.**
- **Wichita campus courses are held via face-to face and online instruction.**
- **Western and Southeast Kansas campus courses are held via ITV utilizing experienced local ECU educators.**
- **We now offer an accelerated program for Elementary Education at all three campuses. ECU can easily be completed the semester prior to beginning the elementary education program.**

***Inquire about this exciting opportunity TODAY!***

*"I have been an early childhood teacher for 17 years and recently decided to add my Early Childhood Unified endorsement to my degree. I was thankful for the program at Newman University. It was a blessing that the classes were offered in the summer as it allowed me time to fully concentrate on my classes while not working full time. The professors were great! The pacing of the classes was flexible as well. You can finish your endorsement in one summer or break it up into 2 or 3 summers. This was definitely a great program and I highly recommend it! "*

*– Kelly Schafers, PreK Teacher, USD 259*

**For degree-seeking students, the undergraduate ECU program at Newman University includes 58 credits from the elementary education program. An additional 16 hours focused on ECU coursework and field experiences in diverse settings is required.**

#### **EARLY CHILDHOOD UNIFIED-SPECIFIC COURSEWORK INCLUDES:**

EDUC 3403: Foundations of Early Childhood / Family / Community

EDUC 3412: Early Childhood Field Experience: Infants / Toddlers

EDUC 3413: Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment: Infants and Toddlers

EDUC 3423: Special Education Inclusive Strategies

EDUC 3442: Early Childhood Field Experience: Preschool

EDUC 3443: Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment: Preschool

**As this is a dual licensure program, upon completion of all courses and assessments, graduates are eligible for both the elementary education license (K-6th grade) and the early childhood unified license (birth-grade 3), which qualifies individuals for both general education and special education teaching positions.**

