**Degree Delivery Method:** Hybrid (mix of live and online classes)

### GEM 1 Written Communication
- ENGL 101, Writing and Rhetoric I 3 cr
- +ENGL 102, Writing and Rhetoric II 3 cr
- GEM 2 Oral Communication 3 cr
- COMM 101, Fundamentals of Oral Comm 3 cr
- GEM 3 Mathematical Ways of Knowing 3-5 cr
- (See NIC GEM options)
- GEM 4 Science (two different disciplines) 8 cr
- (See NIC GEM options)
- GEM 5 Humanistic/Artistic (two disciplines) 6 cr
- +ENGL 175, 257, 258, 267, 278, 271, 277, OR 278 3 cr
- (See NIC GEM options)
- GEM 6 - Social/Behavioral 6 cr
- HIST 111, 112, 115, 116 or POLS 101 3 cr
- CHD 134, Infancy Through Middle Childhood 3 cr
- GEM 7 - Institutionally Designated 4-6 cr
- INTR 250 Integrative Inquiry
- Wellness Course (see NIC catalog for options)
- OTHER REQUIRED COURSES FOR YOUR MAJOR 15 cr
- BIOL 207, Concepts in Human Nutrition 3 cr
- +CHD 235, Observation and Assessment 3 cr
- CHD 243, Early Childhood Education 3 cr
- +MATH 157, Math for Elem School Teachers I 3 cr
- 9 additional credits in social science must be completed from NIC or U of I.
- 8 additional credits in natural science must be completed from NIC or U of I.
- 1 additional 3-credit elective each in math and humanities must be completed from NIC or U of I.

### Program Requirements
- +EDCI 302, Teaching Culturally Diverse Learners 3 cr
- +EDCI 320, 321, 322, Lit./Comp. Courses 3 cr
- +EDCI 325, 327, 328, & 329, Elem Educ Courses 12 cr
- +EDCI 401, Internship Seminar 1 cr
- +EDCI 408 & 409, Integrated Methods Practica 2 cr
- +EDCI 410, Technology, Teaching and Learning 2 cr
- EDSP 300, Educating for Exceptionalities 3 cr
- EDSP 325, Suppting Stud Behav in the Classr 2 cr
- +EDSP 350, Parent-Child Relationships 3 cr
- +EDSP 435, Feeding Young Children in Grp Setting 1 cr
- +EDSP 436, Theories of Child and Family Dev 3 cr
- +EDSP 480, Assessment: Early Childhood/SPED 3 cr
- +EDSP 481, Early Childhood SPED Curriculum 3 cr
- +EDSP 490, Infant & Toddler SPED Internship var
- +FCS 333, Developmental Curr for Young Children 4 cr
- +FCS 340, Parent-Child Relationships 3 cr
- +FCS 345, Feeding Young Children in Grp Setting 1 cr
- +FCS 436, Theories of Child and Family Dev 3 cr
- +FCS 480, Assessment: Early Childhood/SPED 3 cr
- +FCS 481, Early Childhood SPED Curriculum 3 cr
- +FCS 490, Infant & Toddler SPED Internship var
- +FCS 497, Internship Preschool 8 cr
- +PEP 350, Elem Hlth and Phys Education 3 cr

### Assessments
- Students must take the Praxis II-5691 Special Ed: Preschool/Early Childhood; Praxis II-5025 Early Childhood Content; and ICLA I, II (Jr year after EDCI 320) and III (Sr year)

### Prerequisites & Notes
- The + indicates a course that has a prerequisite.
- Students must apply to the Teacher Education Program before taking EDCI 320 & other upper division Ed courses
- 139 credits are required for a B.S.
- 30 of your upper division credits must be from UI
- A minimum of 40 upper division credits are required

### Notes & Requirements
- Students planning on transferring to UI are advised to complete an Associate of Arts degree at NIC
- 60 credits are required for an A.A. Degree.
- A background check and minimum C grade in ENGL 102, COMM 101, CHD 243 & a Core Math are required
- Students can be concurrently enrolled with U of I while completing an NIC degree.