



ST. JOHN'S
UNIVERSITY

THE SCHOOL OF EDUCATION



Early Childhood Education Master of Science Programs (1–6)

Childhood Education 1–6 (M.S.Ed.)

- **Continuing Education Program (33 credits)**

This program is intended for students who wish to pursue a master's degree in the same academic area as their initial certification.

- **Field Change (33 credits)**

This program is designed for students who have received or have qualified for an initial certification outside of childhood education.

- **42-credit Career Change Program (plus deficiencies, if required for New York State certification) for change-of-career students with a baccalaureate degree in an area other than education**

Benefits

The Department of Curriculum and Instruction provides three programs of study related to childhood education that encompass a range of teaching and learning experiences through relevant pedagogical methods and a broad knowledge of strategies. Each of the programs lead to a Master of Science in Education degree.

What Makes St. John's Program Unique?

- Empower Diverse Learners
 - o Prepare to work in a variety of settings with children of diverse abilities and backgrounds
 - o Develop flexible strategies for fostering children's growing understanding of different symbol systems
- Foster rational, spirited inquiry
 - o Help children actively investigate the world around them to construct their own knowledge and acquire skills consistent with state learning standards
 - o Develop your own sense of initiative and a disposition towards curiosity and inquiry as a model for the children you teach
 - o Understand and evaluate research that impacts your practice

Full Program Name

Childhood Education 1–6 (M.S.Ed.)

Location Availability

Queens, Staten Island

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- Address issues of poverty and social injustice
 - Encourage a sense of caring community
 - Implement antibias curricula
 - Advocate for children and their families
 - Collaborate and communicate skillfully with coworkers, administrators, parents, and community agencies
 - Tackle the challenges of urban education
- Acquire competencies to lead and serve in a technologically advanced global community
 - Learn how to effectively integrate technology into classroom curricula
 - Communicate and interact with other educators and peers online

According to the New York City Department of Education (DOE), “St. John’s graduates were rated highest in retention, the percentage of teachers still employed in the NYC DOE three years after hire; were second-best in tenure approval; had the lowest receiving ‘unsatisfactory’ ratings their first year; and 91 percent of its teacher graduates were rated ‘highly effective’ or ‘effective’ as reflected in student growth scores on fourth- through eighth-grade math and English tests.”

As of 2017, *U.S. News & World Report* ranked St. John’s graduate program in education as one of the top 50 graduate online programs in the nation.

What’s in It for Me?

- Graduates are often offered full-time positions at schools where they perform their required field hours.
- St. John’s relationships with New York area principals and directors frequently result in job opportunities.
- St. John’s offers Global Studies programs in early childhood education in Italy and France.
- Students are encouraged to become members of a prestigious international professional organization for teachers through our affiliation with the New York chapter of the Association for Childhood Education International.

Internships/Placement

St. John’s has established partnerships with many Catholic, public, and private schools, creating invaluable job and internship opportunities throughout the New York area. University Career Services provides assistance to candidates as they seek to identify opportunities for advancement.

Admission Requirements

An application, nonrefundable application fee, official transcripts from every institution attended showing conferral of degree and satisfactory grade point average, statement of professional goals, and satisfactory test scores (verbal and quantitative) from ONE of the following tests: GMAT®, GRE® General Test, or Praxis® Core Academic Skills for Educators.

Application Deadlines for Complete Applications

Fall	August 17
Spring	January 5
Summer	May 15