

# Early Childhood Education - COP (Paraeducator)



2024-25

## Program map for PARA Education Certificate of Proficiency (COP), State Certificate.

This certificate prepares graduates for entry-level employment with school districts. Graduates acquire skills needed to become an important member of the instructional team, learning instructional strategies, behavior management, human development and interpersonal skills in the context of a diverse society. The program includes hands-on experiences in schools. This program will help open doors to a rewarding career as a paraeducator.

### See also

- [Degree Requirements for Teacher Education and Early Learning programs \( lowercolumbia.edu/programs/education \)](https://lowercolumbia.edu/programs/education/)
- [Course descriptions in LCC Catalog \( lowercolumbia.edu/publications/catalog/courses \)](https://lowercolumbia.edu/publications/catalog/courses)
- [Distribution lists in LCC Catalog \( lowercolumbia.edu/publications/catalog/distribution-lists \)](https://lowercolumbia.edu/publications/catalog/distribution-lists)

( [lowercolumbia.edu/program-maps/education/](https://lowercolumbia.edu/program-maps/education/) ) **Important:** Many course sequences only begin in fall quarter. Check with your program advisor.

## By Quarter Overview

### First Quarter

- ENGL& 101: English Composition I (5 credits)
  - *Placement Test or ENGL 99 C or better\**
- EDUC 246: Linguistically Diverse Education (3 credits)
- EDUC 101: Paraeducator Basics (3 credits)
- EDUC& 115: Child Development (5 credits)

*\*Pre- and/or co-requisite(s)*

*Students seeking employment as paraeducators should take the Paraeducator Exam after EDUC& 101 (this is not a degree requirement).*

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## Second Quarter

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- COLL 101: College Success (2 credits)
- EDUC 191: Field Experience I (5 credits)
- EDUC& 204: Inclusive Education-Birth through 21 Focus (5 credits)
- MATH& 131: Math for Elementary Educators (5 credits)
  - *Placement Test /MATH 88/89, 87/97 C or better\**
- EDUC 246: Linguistically Diverse Education (3 credits)

*\*Pre- and/or co-requisite(s)*

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## Third Quarter

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- MATH& 132: Math for Elementary Educators II (5 credits)
  - *MATH& 131\**
- EDUC 240: Diversity in Education (5 credits)
- EDUC& 205: Introduction to Education (5 credits)

*\*Pre- and co-requisite(s)*

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## Detailed Class Sequence

### 1. English Composition 1

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ENGL& 101 (5 credits)

*Pre- and/or co-requisite(s): Placement Test or ENGL 99 C or better\**

### 2. Linguistically Diverse Education

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EDUC 246 (3 credits)

### 3. Introduction to Early Childhood Education

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Paraeducator Basics (3 credits)

### 4. Child Development

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EDUC& 115 (5 credits)

### 5. College Success

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Coll 101 (2 credits)

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## 6. Inclusive Education-Birth through 21 Focus

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EDUC& 204 (5 credits)

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## 7. Math for Elementary Educators

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MATH&131 (5 credits)

*Pre- and/or co-requisite(s): Placement Test /MATH 88/89, 87/97 C or better\**

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## 8. Linguistically Diverse Education

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EDUC& 246 (3 credits)

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## 9. Math for Elementary Educators II

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Math&132 (5 credits)

*Pre- and/or co-requisite(s): MATH& 131\**

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## 10. Diversity in Education

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EDUC& 240 (5 credits)

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## 11. Introduction to Education

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EDUC&205 (5 credits)



## Program Maps for Teacher Education and Early Learning ( [lowercolumbia.edu/program-maps/education](http://lowercolumbia.edu/program-maps/education) )

- [Early Childhood Education - AAS \( lowercolumbia.edu/program-maps/education/AAS-Early-Childhood-Education \)](http://lowercolumbia.edu/program-maps/education/AAS-Early-Childhood-Education)
- [Early Childhood Education - COP \(Paraeducator\) \( lowercolumbia.edu/program-maps/education/COP-PARA-education \)](http://lowercolumbia.edu/program-maps/education/COP-PARA-education)

- **Early Childhood Education - COP (State Certificate) ( [lowercolumbia.edu/program-maps/education/COP-State-Early-Childhood-Education](http://lowercolumbia.edu/program-maps/education/COP-State-Early-Childhood-Education) )**
- **Education - AA-DTA ( [lowercolumbia.edu/program-maps/education/AADTA-Education](http://lowercolumbia.edu/program-maps/education/AADTA-Education) )**
- **Education - AAS ( [lowercolumbia.edu/program-maps/education/AAS-Education](http://lowercolumbia.edu/program-maps/education/AAS-Education) )**
- **Math Education - DTA/MRP ( [lowercolumbia.edu/program-maps/education/DTAMRP-Math-Education](http://lowercolumbia.edu/program-maps/education/DTAMRP-Math-Education) )**
- **Teacher Education - BAS (Full-Time Cohort, Certificated Route) ( [lowercolumbia.edu/program-maps/education/BAS-Teacher-Education-FT-certificated](http://lowercolumbia.edu/program-maps/education/BAS-Teacher-Education-FT-certificated) )**
- **Teacher Education - BAS (Full-Time Cohort, Early Childhood Education) ( [lowercolumbia.edu/program-maps/education/BAS-Teacher-Education-FT-ECE](http://lowercolumbia.edu/program-maps/education/BAS-Teacher-Education-FT-ECE) )**
- **Teacher Education - BAS (Part-Time Cohort, Certificated Route) ( [lowercolumbia.edu/program-maps/education/BAS-Teacher-Education-PT-certificated](http://lowercolumbia.edu/program-maps/education/BAS-Teacher-Education-PT-certificated) )**
- **Teacher Education - BAS (Part-Time Cohort, Early Childhood Education) ( [lowercolumbia.edu/program-maps/education/BAS-Teacher-Education-PT-ECE](http://lowercolumbia.edu/program-maps/education/BAS-Teacher-Education-PT-ECE) )**