

## MA degree in Learning, Developmental and Family Sciences (36 credits)

### Friends School – CU Denver Partnership

#### Plan of Study for 2022 Cohort

Prefix	Course	Credits	Cost **	Term
<b>Alternative Licensure Core *</b>				
ECED 5102	Introduction to Developmentally Appropriate Curriculum	3	\$900	Fall 2022
LDFS 5260	Child Study and Observation	3	\$900	Fall 2022
FNDS 5000	Teaching as a Profession	3	\$900	Fall 2022-Spring 2023
ECED 5104	Advanced Developmentally Appropriate Curriculum	3	\$900	Spring 2023
<b>CU Denver Core</b>				
LDFS 5110	Human Learning	3	\$900	Fall 2022
EDFN 5010	Social Foundations & Cultural Diversity in Urban Education	3	\$900	Spring 2023
HDFR 5180	Family and Community-Centered Classroom Practice	3	\$900	Summer 2023
LDFS 6100	Advanced Child Growth and Development	3	\$900	Summer 2023
RSEM 5120	Introduction to Research Methods	3	\$900	Fall 2023
<b>Concentration Area ***</b>				
	Course #1	3	\$900-\$1287	Fall 2023
	Course #2	3	\$900-\$1287	Spring 2024
	Course #3	3	\$900-\$1287	Summer 2024
<b>MA Culminating Assessment</b>		n/a	\$20	Spring 2024****

#### \* **Alternative Licensure Core**

The four courses that make up the alternative licensure core are part of the content that teacher candidates are completing through the Friends Teacher Preparation program and counts towards their teaching license. Teacher candidates will take the courses through CU Denver but they will be taught at Friends School. Teacher candidates can register for the alternative licensure courses as non-degree students if they do not want to pursue the MA degree.

#### \*\* **Tuition Costs**

Tuition costs for this program are significantly lower than main campus rates because they are offered as off-campus extended studies courses through the School of Education & Human Development (SEHD) office of Continuing & Professional Education based on an agreement between Friends School and CU Denver. All course costs are approximate and do not include student fees, books and other possible fees. All alternative licensure and core courses will be conducted off-campus or through an online or hybrid/remote format. A one-time matriculation fee of approximately \$100 will also be charged if you do not have a previous degree from a CU campus.

#### \*\*\* **Concentration Area Guidelines**

Concentration area courses have been grouped to meet the professional goals of alternative licensure candidates. Concentration areas consist of nine credits in a specific field of focus that have been pre-approved by SEHD faculty. Concentration area courses may be on-campus, off-campus, online, remote, or hybrid depending on the course. See the concentration area chart on page 3. The concentration area is a sub-plan of the Learning, Developmental and Family Sciences degree, which will be officially transcribed as an **MA Learning, Developmental and Family Sciences: (concentration area)**. The concentration area also does not represent a certificate, endorsement, or license. **The official concentration affiliated with the Friends program is Human Learning & Development. If students choose one of the other concentration areas, they will take the courses through the main campus and pay main campus tuition and fees.**

### \*\*\*\*Culminating Assessment Assignment

Students are required to complete the culminating assessment assignment, which consists of a 12-15 page literature review and presentation. Students should plan on completing the assignment when they have completed at minimum 27 credit hours (including RSEM 5120 Introduction to Research Methods). It requires faculty approval to defer completing the assignment another semester. Students must complete the assignment within 2 semesters of completing the program if they have been granted a deferral.

### Concentration Area courses

Students will select a concentration area when they apply to the program. They are able to change their concentration at any point by emailing their academic advisor. The Human Learning & Development concentration is currently the only one that will be offered at Friends School with reduced tuition. The other concentrations will be taken through the main campus and students will pay main campus tuition and fees. Depending on enrollment numbers the location and cost of concentrations courses may change during the program. Listed below are the courses in the different concentration areas and the semester they should be offered. Please note that the courses in these concentrations may change as well as when they are offered.

<b>Human Learning &amp; Development Concentration Area</b>	LDFS 5240: Cognition & Instruction (Fall)
	LDFS 6750: Designing Environment for Learning and Development (Spring)
	LDFS 6320: Mind, Brain, and Education (Summer)
<b>Early Childhood Education Concentration Area*</b>	ECED 5080: Language and Literacy in Young Children (Fall or Spring)
	ECED 5070: Social Competence and Classroom Supports (Fall or Spring)
	ECED 5110: Advanced Infant Toddler Development (Fall)
	<i>* In addition to these courses, students who intend to complete their Large Child Care Center Director Qualifications by the Colorado Department of Human Services must also take the <u>ECED 5040: Administrative Seminar</u> course. This course will be offered during the summer through CU Denver but will not count toward the MA requirements.</i>
<b>Early Literacy Concentration Area</b>	LCRT 5230: Early Literacy Instruction (Fall)
	LCRT 5210: Literacy Development PreK-3rd Grade (Spring)
	LCRT 5220: Early Literacy Routines and Assessment (Summer)
<b>Early Childhood Special Education**</b>	ECED 6200: Intervention Strategies (Fall)
	ECED 5200: Screening and Assessment of Young Children (Spring)
	ECED 6100: Medical and Physiological Aspects of Developmental Disabilities (Summer)
	<i>** In addition to these courses, students who intend to complete the ECSE Endorsement need to take 3 more courses (ECED 5010, ECED 5080, and ECED 5070) as well as 3 practica. The ECE faculty will allow MA students to use work during the licensure year to fulfill one of the practica requirements if they worked with children with special needs in the site. All courses are NOT offered as extended studies sections so tuition will be at the higher main campus rate. The only exception to this is ECED 5080 which is offered as part of the ECE concentration area. Also, students should make sure to have in-state residency before registering for any main campus courses in order to avoid much higher non-resident tuition rates.</i>
<b>Families &amp; Communities Concentration Area</b>	HDFR 5003 Leadership & Organizations (Fall)
	HDFR 5004 Family and Comm. Prog. II Grants Writing/Fundraising (Spring)
	HDFR 5002 Family Life and Community Programming I (Summer)
<b>Culturally &amp; Linguistically Diverse Education Concentration Area</b>	CLDE 5820 Teaching Multilingual Learners, Advanced (Fall)
	CLDE 5050: Assessment & Advocacy for Multilingual Learners (Spring)
	CLDE 5030: Language Development of Multilingual Learners: Advanced (Summer)
	<i>**These courses can be applied towards an endorsement in CLDE through the main campus. A student will need to complete 4 additional courses through the main campus</i>

at higher tuition & additional fees. Please contact your program coordinator if you are interested in this option\*\*

## Recommended Timeline

Term	Courses	Action	Deadline
<b>Spring 2022</b>		Apply for MA Program	June 1, 2022
<b>Fall 2022</b>	<i>Licensure Core:</i> ECED 5102 FNDS 5000 LDFS 5260	Course Registration	August 2022
	<i>CU Denver Core:</i> LDFS 5110	Course Registration	August 2022
<b>Spring 2023</b>	<i>Licensure Core:</i> ECED 5104	Course Registration	January 2023
	<i>CU Denver Core:</i> EDFN 5010	Course Registration	January 2023
<b>Summer 2023</b>	<i>CU Denver Core:</i> (Can take 1 or 2 courses) HDFR 5180 LDFS 6100	Course Registration	June 2023
<b>Fall 2023</b>	<i>CU Denver Core:</i> RSEM 5120 <i>Concentration Area:</i> Course 1 of selected area	Course Registration	August 2023
<b>Spring 2024</b>	<i>Concentration Area:</i> Course 2 of selected area	Course Registration	January 2024
	<i>Culminating Assessment</i>	Complete Required Literature Review and Presentation	May 2024
<b>Summer 2024</b>	<i>Concentration Area:</i> Course 3 of selected area	Course Registration	June 2024
	<i>CU Denver Core:</i> Any course not taken Summer 2023	Course Registration	June 2024
	<i>Graduation</i>	Graduation Registration	June 2024