

# Master of Education

## Early Childhood Education



### Make a difference in young learners' lives

Rivier University offers early childhood education programs for both current and prospective teachers. You'll develop the knowledge and skills necessary for teaching and leading in the 21st century and be prepared to implement effective research-based strategies to promote student learning. You'll become a well-rounded teacher, prepared to work effectively with students, parents, and your colleagues to help children get the best education possible and reach their full potential.

For specific program requirements, please refer to Rivier's graduate catalog, which is available online.

### Facilities and Resources

Rivier University's Benoit Education Center is one of the finest facilities of its kind in northern New England. The Benoit Education Center houses the Cho Educational Resource Center, an extensive K-12 curriculum library, as well as the Early Childhood Center. The ECC serves as a laboratory school, offering students the chance to observe and work with children ages 6 weeks to 6 years under the guidance of experienced mentor teachers.

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### Degrees & Programs —

#### Master's Degrees

##### *Early Childhood*

- M.Ed. Early Childhood Education
  - Early Childhood Education (Teaching)
  - Early Childhood Administration
- M.Ed. Education Studies
  - Early Childhood Education

##### *Special Education*

- M.Ed. Special Education
  - Initial Certification
  - Autism Specialization
  - Emotional and Behavioral Disabilities: Endorsement
  - Specific Learning Disabilities: Endorsement
- M.Ed. Education Studies
  - Special Education concentration

#### Doctoral Program

- Ed.D. Leadership and Learning

### Licensure, Partnerships & Careers —

With a Rivier education degree, graduates are eligible for certification in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, the U.S. Territories; the Department of Defense Education Activity; Alberta, British Columbia, and Ontario per the NASDTEC Interstate Agreement. Rivier has partnerships with schools and districts throughout the region, making it easy for students seeking licensure to find an internship (student teaching) in the setting that best suits his or her goals.

Prospective teachers spend time in the classroom from the start, working with master teachers long before student teaching. You'll meet people who will serve as mentors throughout your career.

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## Mary-Elizabeth Kemp '10G

*M.Ed. in Early Childhood Education*

Mary-Elizabeth Kemp praises Rivier's graduate early childhood education program. "The program is very well organized with clear expectations," she says. She speaks highly of the faculty as well. "They're such a great team. Everyone's professional and there if you need them."

She also appreciates that the instructors lead by example. "In my early childhood science class, the instructor constantly modeled how you should be modeling for the children. Everything in the class was done with a purpose," she says. "We got to pick our own science book and come up with projects for the book we chose."

In her teaching students with mild to moderate disabilities class, she wrote an IEP working with colleagues. "I appreciated the exposure to real-life situations," she says.



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