

# ECE616: Field Component in MSD

ECE616 is the final clinical field experience for the MSD Initial certification program. Initial MSD candidates will enroll in 6 hours and complete either a mentored field experience or supervised student teaching. Using KTIP as a model and with the assistance of a mentor teacher and a college supervisor, candidates will assess strengths and needs of MSD students in a chosen classroom. When the needs have been identified for each student, various strategies will be utilized to pinpoint specific areas in which classroom effectiveness can be improved. Candidates should show consistent sensitivity to individual, academic, physical, social and cultural differences and respond in a caring manner. Student/ mentored teaching provides information and experiences that address this sensitivity through demonstration of the competences required by the Kentucky Teacher Standards as well as essential information regarding teaching as a profession and the Council for Exceptional Children Individualized Independence Curriculum (IIC) Standards for MSD. A leadership plan and professional growth plan addressing the Kentucky Teacher Standards will be completed. Candidates will critically reflect their value orientations and pedagogical foundations as they deepen their reflective practices based on the framework of the education department and its theme, "Developing scholars who are competent and caring educators, committed to a spirit of service and learning" (Georgetown College Conceptual Framework). During ECE616 candidates will extend their skills in planning curriculum and instruction for students with MSD and demonstrate all CEC competencies for MSD teachers as well as Kentucky Teachers Standards in the classroom. Candidates must submit a score for the MSD specialist Praxis before registering for ECE608/616. Candidates must pass the MSD specialty Praxis for certification.

**Credit Hour(s):** 6

**Prerequisites:**

Core MSD courses, including all field classes, approved application for final clinical / mentored teaching, and meeting all checkpoint 2 requirements, including passing the appropriate Praxis test.

**Department:** [Exceptional Child Education](#)