

APPLICATION STEPS AND DETAILS

Science/Technology/Engineering/Mathematics (MCSTE)

The course you are taking, Nature Pedagogy in Nature-Based Early Childhood Education (ECE), (July 9-13, 2018) can be taken for 2 graduate credits from the University of Maryland, College Park, the flagship university of the University System of Maryland. Graduate tuition costs \$717 per credit and there is a technology fee of \$76.50. The total cost for the credits would be \$1510.50.

This course is offered in partnership with the Eastern Region Association of Forest and Nature Schools (ERAFANS). UMD graduate credit and associated fees are in addition to registration on ERAFANS.org/teacher-certification.

To begin the admission application process, please follow the instructions below. **The admission deadline** for the Summer II 2018 term is **June 29, 2018**.

You will be applying as a non-degree seeking graduate student. You may take up to nine credits with this status, and those credits could be applied to a graduate degree at the university.

ONCE YOU HAVE APPLIED, PLEASE SEND AN EMAIL TO JUDY FOSTER (jfoster@umd.edu) **AND DAN LEVIN** (dlevin2@umd.edu)

Graduate Application Process

Click on the University of Maryland Graduate Online Application link:

https://app.applyyourself.com/AYApplicantLogin/fl_ApplicantConnectLogin.asp?id=umdgrad

- Click on “Create Account” tab, complete the form, create a user name and password and submit.
- Click on “Access Your Online Application” page and complete the following sections:
 - ***Demographics and Contact Information***
 - ***Educational Intent Section: (Enter the following information)***
 - ***Applicant Type: Domestic***
 - ***Term of Entrance: Summer II 2018***
 - ***College/School: Graduate School/Non-degree***
 - ***Intended Program of Study: Non-degree Seeking Student (GRAD)***
 - ***Degree: Non-degree Seeking Student (GRAD)***
 - ***Area of Interest 1, 2, 3: N/A***
 - ***Previous Education Section:*** Enter names of the institutions of higher education at which you have received 9 credits or more and upload scanned copy of your transcripts with degree conferred, if applicable (**required**) (see notes below)
 - ***Personal Information and Maryland Residency Information***
 - ***Upload Section:*** upload your Personal statement (**Be sure to mention that you are applying to the Nature Pedagogy in Nature-Based Early Childhood Education (ECE) course**).

- *Pay \$75 non-refundable application fee*

Please make sure you upload all of the required documentation.

Note regarding Transcripts: Scanned copy of transcripts must be uploaded into your application file with degree conferred. Official transcripts are required by the Graduate School by the end of the first term of enrollment. Applicants **must** have official, sealed undergraduate and graduate transcripts from all post-secondary schools attended (with 9 credits or more) sent to the Graduate School at:

University of Maryland College Park
Enrollment Services Operation –
Attn: Graduate Admissions
Room 0130 Mitchell Building
College Park, MD 20742

Information for International Applicants

All applicants who have earned their Baccalaureate (4 year degree) from an international institution must ALSO meet ISSS admission requirements. It is recommended that applicants plan for additional time needed for IES processing. Visit the Graduate School International admission page. <http://gradschool.umd.edu/admissions/international-admissions> and the International Student & Scholar Services <http://globalmaryland.umd.edu/offices/international-students-scholar-services/graduate-admissions>

Required Materials:

- An official copy of original degree conferred transcripts in original language with a literal English translation and a copy of the final diploma.
- All English translations should completed by an ISSS approved service (for transcript and diploma/certificate) are required. <http://globalmaryland.umd.edu/offices/international-students-scholar-services/translation-services>
- TOEFL or IELTS or Pearson's (PTE) is required if you have international credentials whose native language is not English and who does not hold a degree from an institution in the US. United Kingdom, Anglophone Africa, Anglophone Canada, Ireland, Australia, New Zealand, Singapore, and the Commonwealth Caribbean.
- Applicants on a Visa must submit a copy of Visa documentation

The International Student & Scholar Services (ISSS) at the University of Maryland assists international students in the process of applying to the university, and once admitted. *ISSS may contact applicants by email, please ensure email addresses listed on application is accurate.*

If you have any questions regarding the application or process please contact Judy Foster at jfoster@umd.edu.