

# **MASTER OF ARTS IN EDUCATION (MAEd) Major in EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION**

## **Program Description**

This is a thesis program designed to provide practitioners, teachers, daycare workers and programs implementers the knowledge and skills needed for teaching and working with preschool (below six years old) children in settings like preschools, day care centers, orphanages, family centers, and similar facilities. It also seeks to develop among its students an understanding of early childhood development in the context of the basic unit society, the family.

## **Program Educational Objectives**

This an advanced program in the teaching of preschool children. The course includes subjects important to the organization and administration of a preschool, and related disciplines towards the development of the preschool child, the family and the school settings.

## **Admission Policies**

A student seeking admission to the program must comply with the following:

1. hold a degree in Early Childhood Education or with at least 12 units of professional courses in Education from an accredited college or university:
  - 1.1 an applicant with insufficient background in Education will be required to take prerequisite courses of up to 12 units of professional courses in education,
2. have to take the entrance tests of aptitude (CEM - Graduate Level Test on Verbal, Quantitative and Inductive Reasoning) and essay that will measure written communication skill;
3. have to pass the panel interview; and
4. have to submit other required documents for admission.

## **Retention Policies**

To be retained in the program, the student must:

1. maintain a satisfactory cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA) of 2.0 (85) or better in all subjects taken for the entire duration of the program; and
2. have not incurred a failure in any subject.