

Curriculum of courses Academic year 2025-2026

Edition 1st

Unit 1. Pedagogy

25 ECTS required: 4 compulsory courses and 1 compulsory elective. Each course is equivalent to 5 ECTS.

Students with admission year 2010-11 and earlier are required to accumulate, respectively, 25 teaching credits from 3 compulsory courses and two compulsory elective courses.

101. Introduction to the educational sciences I (compulsory)

1st semester.

A.Androusou

127. Introduction to the educational sciences II (compulsory)

1st semester.

V.Tsafos

ATTENTION: The above courses (101 and 127) are taught in parallel and students must attend both of them, i.e. 4 hours per week (two 2-hour sessions).

109. Introduction to special education (compulsory)

3rd semester.

E.Nteropoulou-Nterou

112. Introduction to environmental education/education for sustainable development (compulsory)

3rd semester.

G.Liarakou

113. Alternative instructional methods in education

5th semester.

G.Liarakou

117. Health education

2nd semester.

K.Athanasiou

119. Oral and written language in disability I

6th semester.

E.Nteropoulou-Nterou

130. Oral and written language in disability II

6th semester.

E.Nteropoulou-Nterou

123. Contemporary teaching approaches: from active listening to children to educational practice

8th semester.

M. Sfiroera

124. Environmental and sustainability issues

3rd semester.

G.Liarakou

133. Critical pedagogy and educational practice

3rd semester.

P.Charavitsidis

136. Pedagogical interventions in open contexts: Analysis of actions for refugees

6th semester (up to 40 students)

A.Androusou

The course is not offered to first- and second-semester students. It is recommended that students have successfully passed the exam or attend course 906. Teachers-researchers of their work: Institutional-social & educational framework in the kindergarten.

138. Critical pedagogy II (workshop, up to 30 students)

4th semester

P.Charavitsidis

142. Climate change education

6th semester

G.Liarakou

Will be taught in case needs arise based on the operation of the study program.

143. Physical activity and psychomotor education in preschool age

3rd semester

O.Agalianou

144. School experience and reflection

5th semester.

V.Tsafos

Unit 2: Psychology

20 ECTS required: 3 compulsory courses and 1 compulsory elective. Each course is equivalent to 5 ECTS. Students who by 2023-24 have successfully completed course 204 Language Development, which until then was compulsory, retain the 5 Credit Units as compulsory course units and are not required to take 215 Educational Psychology.

202. Child development I (compulsory)

1st semester.

A-L K.Papadopoulou,

M-Z L. Anagnostaki

222. Child development II (compulsory)

2nd semester.

A-L L. Anagnostaki

M-Z L. Anagnostaki

The course is supported by the Workshop Development II: Issues of Cognitive and Social Development taught by N. Kyriakopoulou.

204. Language development

(The course is no longer compulsory. From 2024-25, it will be replaced by Compulsory 215 Educational Psychology).

3rd semester.

P. Panagopoulos

206. Play: its role in psychosocial development

3rd semester.

K. Papadopoulou

Will be taught in case needs arise based on the operation of the study program.

207. Introduction to social psychology

3rd semester.

N. Bozatzis

210. Childhood and the media

4th semester

Instructing by contract

213. Counselling psychology

6th semester.

G. Tsitsas

215. Educational psychology (compulsory)

4th semester
L.Anagnostaki

216. Theories of cognitive development
3rd semester.
N. Kyriakopoulou

223. Psychological disorders in the preschool and early school-age period
5th semester. Prerequisite Course: 906.
L. Anagnostaki

225. Social and emotional development in early childhood (seminar, compulsory attendance, up to 50 students, prerequisite courses: 202 and 222).
7th semester.
K. Papadopoulou

226. Learning and Cognitive Development
7th semester.
N. Kyriakopoulou

227. Prejudice, stereotypes and intergroup conflict: social psychological approaches
6th semester.
N. Bozatzis

Unit 3: Sociology

15 ECTS required: 2 compulsory courses and 1 compulsory elective. Each course is equivalent to 5 ECTS.

301. Introduction to sociology (compulsory)
1st semester. , A-L, V.Lekka
1st semester. , M-Z, M.Leontsini

303. Social parameters of the educational process
(seminar, up to 25 students).
8th semester.
A. Vasilopoulou

304. Sociological approaches to childhood I (prerequisite course: 301).
5th semester.
V.Lekka

306. Introduction to the sociology of education (compulsory)
2nd semester. N. Askouni

2nd semester. E.Fakou

311. Education policy I: educational institutions in early childhood

4th semester.

E. Zambeta

317. Sociological approaches to childhood II (prerequisite course: 304)

6th semester.

V.Lekka

Will be taught in case needs arise based on the operation of the study program.

319. Management of Educational Units

4th semester.

E.Zambeta

322. Family-School relations: sociological approaches

6th semester.

E.Fakou

Unit 4: Methodology

15 ECTS required: 3 compulsory courses.

Students with the admission year 2010-11 and earlier are required to accumulate 10 (ECTS) from 2 Compulsory courses.

401. Research methods in the social sciences I (compulsory)

407. Research methods in the social sciences II (compulsory)

2nd semester. Students divided into three groups.

Group A: A. Vasilopoulou

Group B: V.Lekka

Group C: N. Bozatzis

ATTENTION: The above courses (401 and 407) are taught in parallel, and both must be registered for. They give a total of 10 (ECTS).

Students admitted in 2010-11 and earlier have only 401 as a compulsory course. Research Methods in the Social Sciences I (former title: Research Methodology in the Social Sciences, with an emphasis on Education). Thus, those who have successfully completed it can complement the two required courses with 403. Research methods in the human sciences: statistics. Those who have not successfully attended will have to attend (and register) for both 401 and 407 courses.

403. Research methods in the human sciences: statistics (compulsory)
3rd semester.
A.Tsanousa

Unit 5. Education in the Sciences

10 ECTS required: 2 compulsory courses. Each course is equivalent to 5 ECTS.

Students admitted prior to 2014-15 need to accumulate 10 Credit Units from one compulsory course and one elective course.

Students who by 2023-24 have successfully completed course 514. Fundamental concepts of mathematics, which until then was compulsory, retain the 5 PM as compulsory course units and are not required to attend 504. Logico-mathematical relations and arithmetic concepts in early childhood.

502. Science in early childhood education, (Compulsory) (previous title: Concepts of natural sciences I)

1st semester P. Pantidos (M-Z)

2nd semester J.Starakis (A-L)

504. Logico-mathematical relations and arithmetic concepts in early childhood, (Compulsory)

3rd semester.

X.Greka

505. Introduction to informatics

1st and 2nd semester, workshop (30 students per group). Students are divided into two groups.

D. Manesis

506. Information and communication technologies (ICTs) in education

3rd semester.

I.Voulgari

508. Teaching Biology: Evolution ας α Unified Theory (previous title: Introduction to Biological Sciences)

1st semester

K. Athanasiou

512. Integration of ICTs in Early Childhood Education

3rd and 4th semester. Workshop. (20 students per group). Students divided into two groups.

K. Nikolopoulou

514. Fundamental concepts of mathematics

1st semester.

X.Greka

516. Educational technology and the digital world: contemporary trends

5th semester.

I.Voulgari

517. Digital games, virtual worlds and learning: research and applications

6th semester. (workshop, up to 20 students)

I.Voulgari

518. Teaching and learning with ICTs

8th semester. (Two groups of 20 students each).

K. Nikolopoulou

520. Design of educational scenarios and activities with ICTs

(seminar, up to 20 students per group)

7th semester.

K.Nikolopoulou

521. The Role of the experiment in Science education

(workshop, up to 20 students per group)

5th semester, 1 group

6th semester, 1 group

J. Starakis

523. Interdisciplinarity and Art in Science Communication

2nd semester

Instructing by contract

Unit 6. Fine Arts Education

15 ECTS required: 3 compulsory courses (at least 1 from each of the three areas of music, theatre and visual arts). Each course is equivalent to 5 ECTS.

6. A Music and Movement Education

601. Theories of music and movement education

1st semester.

O. Agalianou

619. Introduction to Orff - Schulwerk

(previous title: Theories of Music and Kinetic Education II, prerequisite: course 601, seminar, up to 30 students).

2nd semester

O. Agalianou

624. Historical, cultural and pedagogical dimensions of musical instruments

4th semester.

A.Kapsokavadis

627. Dance in education

7th semester. (seminar, 30 students)

O.Agalianou

6. B Visual Arts Education

608. Visual arts: elements and techniques

(workshop, up to 35 students).

4th semester.

J.Christakos

610. Introduction to Fine Arts (previous title: Visual Arts history)

3rd semester

J.Christakos

633. Fine art practices

(workshop, up to 35 students).

7th semester.

J.Christakos

634. Painting, didactic approaches

(workshop, up to 35 students).

5th semester.

J.Christakos

6. C Theatre Education

614. Contemporary aspects of theatre/pedagogic practices

2nd semester

M.Pigkou-Repousi

623. Theatre/Drama in education: pedagogical and social intervention (seminar, up to 25 students, compulsory attendance, prerequisite course: 631)

4th semester. Taught in two 2-hour sessions per week.

P. Giannouli

628. Theatre in education programmes. Devising, structuring, and implementing (workshop, up to 25 students, compulsory attendance, prerequisite course:631) . Taught in two 2-hour sessions.

7th semester

P. Giannouli

631. Introduction to Theatre Education

1st semester

Two groups of students

P. Giannouli

635. Pedagogy of theatre (workshop, up to 30 students)

3rd semester

M.Pigkou-Repousi

636. Theatre in practice: educational, cultural and social contexts (workshop, up to 30 students)

5th semester.

M.Pigkou-Repousi

Unit 7: Language, literature and history

20 ECTS is required: 3 compulsory courses and 1 compulsory elective. Each course is equivalent to 5 ECTS.

704. Children's literature: an introduction (compulsory)

4th semester. Students are divided into two groups.

A. Yannicopoulou,

The course is supported by tutorials taught by Ch. Kouraki

706. Teaching of children's literature in preschool education

5th semester.

Ch. Kouraki

707. Modern and Contemporary Greek History (Previous title: Greek history, 19th century) (compulsory)

3rd semester.

F. Asimakopoulou

708. History of Education

4th semester

Instructing by contract

709. Introduction to Linguistics (Compulsory)

(Previous title: Language, society and cognition)

1st semester: A-L, M-Z V.Tsakona

710. Written language, society, and mind

5th semester.

P.Panagopoulos

711. Greek history, 20th century

6th semester.

Instructing by contract

714. Bilingualism and education

4th semester.

D. Akriotou

717. Children's literature theory and practice

6th semester.

A. Yannicopoulou

Will be taught in case needs arise based on the operation of the study program.

722. Sociolinguistics

4th semester.

Instructing by contract

724. Issues in language policy

6th semester.

Instructing by contract

726. Children's literature out of the classroom

7th semester.

Ch. Kouraki

727. Applications in critical literacy

5th semester. prerequisite: course 721

V.Tsakona

Will be taught in case needs arise based on the operation of the study program.

Unit 8: Foreign language

To obtain a degree, students are required to accumulate from the Foreign Language Module 10 (ECTS). The credits are also covered by the recognition of foreign language qualifications, which students must submit to the Department's Secretariat.

Note: Students who have a foreign language qualification with excellent knowledge of English (C2 level) acquire the 10 (ECTS) without any other obligation. Students who have obtained 6 (ECTS) with a qualification of very good (level C1) or good (level B2) in English language proficiency have the obligation to complete the course 804 successfully.

802. English language II

D. Akriotou, 2 ECTS. Winter semester.

803. Scientific terminology and texts I (Two student groups)

D. Akriotou, 4 ECTS. Winter semester.

804. Scientific terminology and texts II

D. Akriotou, , 4 ECTS. Spring semester. Suggested prerequisite: Course 803.

Unit 9: Practicum in education and research

To obtain a degree, students are required to collect 40 ECTS from the Practicum in Education and Research Unit from 5 Compulsory Courses. Students admitted from the academic year 2024-2025 onwards have an additional compulsory course, 908. Professional roles and identities of teachers in formal and non-formal Education

40 ECTS required: 5 compulsory courses (Courses 906, 901 and 902, one from the Subunit “Practicum in various disciplines” and one from the Subunit of “Practicum in research methods”). Each course is equivalent to 8 ECTS

901. Methodological approaches in teaching practice: from observation to design. (previous title: Educational planning and pedagogical practices in kindergarten) (Compulsory), prerequisite: course 906.

5th semester

N. Kyriakopoulou, M. Sfiroera, E. Fakou, P.Charavitsidis, Ch.Kouraki

902. From design to practice; pedagogical interventions and reflective practices (previous title: Design, organisation and management of learning environments for young children) (Compulsory, prerequisite course:901.)

6th semester

M. Sfiroera, E. Tsalagiorgou, P.Charavitsidis, N. Kyriakopoulou, E.Fakou

906. Teachers-researchers of their work: Institutional-social & educational framework in the kindergarten (previous title: Observation in the kindergarten / Analysis and understanding of the classroom context) (Compulsory)

4th semester

Group A : M. Sfiroera

Group B : P.Charavitsidis

Group C: E. Tsalagiorgou

Group D: A.Androusou

Group E: E. Fakou

908. Professional roles and identities of teachers in formal and non-formal education (5 ECTS)

(Compulsory for admitted students from the 2024-2025 academic year onwards).

Prerequisite Course:901 (5 ects)

8th semester

A.Androusou

Course subunit 93: Practicum in various disciplines (Compulsory)

8th semester (8ECTS)

In the Unit of Practical Exercises in education and research, there is a specific subunit of courses from which students should choose and attend only one. The courses are offered by different tutors in distinct sections and to a limited number of students. The number of those who can participate in each course is small and the allocation is made through a single process. The prerequisite for all courses of this subunit is 901.

The courses offered are:

93A. Migrants, minorities and education: identities and social hierarchies

8th semester.

A.Androusou, N. Askouni

NOTE: Students attend 4 hours of weekly instruction (two 2-hour sessions).

93B. Music and movement education in early childhood education: implementations in praxis

8th semester. Prerequisite Course 601.

O. Agalianou

NOTE: Students attend 4 hours of weekly instruction (two 2-hour sessions).

93Γ. Inclusive education practices

8th semester.

E. Nteropoulou-Nterou

93Δ. Picture books in early childhood education

8th semester.

A. Yannicopoulou, Ch. Kouraki

NOTE: Students attend 4 hours of weekly instruction (two 2-hour sessions).

93Ζ. Practice in environmental education/education for sustainable development

8th semester. Prerequisite course 112.

G.Liarakou

NOTE: Students attend 4 hours of weekly instruction (two 2-hour sessions).

93Η. Advanced Studies in Visual Art practice, didactic approaches (previous title: Teaching drawing at preschool)

8th semester

J.Christakos

NOTE: Students attend 4 hours of weekly instruction (two 2-hour sessions).

93Ι. Theatre and improvisation: practicum

8th semester.

M. Pigkou-Repousi

NOTE: Students attend 4 hours of weekly instruction (two 2-hour sessions).

93Κ. Science education

8th semester. J.Starakis

NOTE: Students attend 4 hours of weekly instruction (two 2-hour sessions).

93Ν. ICTs in Education: Theoretical approaches and pedagogic practice

8th semester. Prerequisite Course: 506

I.Voulgari

NOTE: Students attend 4 hours of weekly instruction (two 2-hour sessions).

93Ξ. Theatre pedagogical Practices in preschool education

8th semester. Prerequisite Course: 631, Suggested prerequisite courses: 623 or 628.

P. Giannouli

NOTE: Students attend 4 hours of weekly instruction (two 2-hour sessions).

93Π. Project-based learning in preschool education: theoretical and practical approaches

8th semester.

E. Tsalagiorgou

NOTE: Students attend 4 hours of weekly instruction (two 2-hour sessions).

Course Subunit 94: Practicum in research methods (compulsory)

7th semester (8 ECTS)

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The prerequisite for all courses of this subunit is 401. Research methods in social sciences I and 407. Research methods in social sciences II.

The courses offered are:

94A. Quantitative methodology in educational research and writing of scientific papers

7th semester

D.Manesis

94Δ. Educational practices and social inequalities: Family-school relationship

7th semester

N. Askouni

NOTE: Students attend 4 hours of weekly instruction (two 2-hour sessions).

94E. Classroom discourse analysis

7th semester

A.Vasilopoulou

NOTE: Students attend 4 hours of weekly instruction (two 2-hour sessions).

94Z. Families of disabled children and school: exploring issues of home-school collaboration

7th semester.

E. Nteropoulou-Nterou

94Θ. Research approaches concerning science education

7th semester

J.Starakis

NOTE: Students attend 4 hours of weekly instruction (two 2-hour sessions).

94I. Methodological issues in historical science

7th semester.

F. Assimakopoulou

NOTE: Students attend 4 hours of weekly instruction (two 2-hour sessions).

94N. Occupation and employment gender

7th semester,

M. Leontsini

NOTE: Students attend 4 hours of weekly instruction (two 2-hour sessions).

94Ξ. Semiotics in the teaching of natural sciences

7th semester.

P.Pantidos

NOTE: Students attend 4 hours of weekly instruction (two 2-hour sessions).

94O. Literacy in early childhood. Exploring children's ideas and teachers' perceptions and practices

7th semester.

M. Sfiroera

NOTE: Students attend 4 hours of weekly instruction (two 2-hour sessions).

94Π. Children's geographies: Research approaches and methodological tools

7th semester.

E.Fakou

94P. Picturebook analysis

7th semester.

A. Yannicopoulou

NOTE: Students attend 4 hours of weekly instruction (two 2-hour sessions).

94Σ. National/cultural identities in discourse: the discursive psychology approach

7th semester.

N. Bozatzis

NOTE: Students attend 4 hours of weekly instruction (two 2-hour sessions).

10: Interdisciplinary week-long workshops (compulsory)

In order to obtain a degree, students are required to accumulate 5 ECTS. From the Interdisciplinary week-long workshops module. From the Thematic Units (TU) offered in this module, students should select and attend one.

TU1. Intercultural education

5th semester

A.Androusou

TU6. Social inequalities and education

6th semester

N.Askouni

TU7. Differentiated pedagogy

5th semester.

M. Sfyroera

TU13. Cinema and the child

5th semester.

F. Assimakopoulou, L.Kourti

TU16. Sounds, phonemes, games

6th semester

O. Agalianou

TU17. Museum and Education

6th semester

V. Tsafos

TU19. Educational practices of inclusiveness and the development of educational material

5th semester

P.Charavitsidis

TU20. Life, illness, and death in contemporary societies

6th semester

V.Lekka

11: Dissertation

An option in the 4th year of studies, for students who have completed courses equivalent to a total of at least 170 ECTS. Equivalent to 20 ECTS.

12: Elective course (1) from other Faculties of the University of Athens

One course allowed, equivalent to 5 ECTS.

13: A second foreign language (5 ECTS)