The Department of Curriculum and Instruction requests the authority to eliminate EDEC 1304 Play and Play Environments, EDEC 1308 Parenting Skills, EDEC 2324 The Young Child as prerequisites for EDEC 4362 Language and Literacy for the Young Child.

**EDEC 4362 Language and Literacy for the Young Childhood.** Three semester hours. This course provides an understanding of the underlying theoretical principles related to the acquisition of language and literacy. Authentic assessment of children’s progress in literacy is emphasized. Prerequisites: EDEC 1304, 1308, 2324, admission to the College of Education and 2.7 overall grade point average. May be taken concurrently with EDEC 4366.

**Rationale for the Change:**
Students seeking a degree in BS with a major in Communication Disorders are not required to take EDEC 1304, 1308 or 2324 as part of their degree plan. However, they are required to take EDEC 4362. Furthermore, students seeking a BSIS – in Early Childhood with Bilingual Specialization are no longer required to take EDEC 1308 as part of their degree plan, but they are required to take EDEC 4362.

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