Study Programme: Master in Early Childhood Teacher	
Course Unit Title: Final Master thesis	
Course Unit Code: 20-0	
Type and Level of Studies: Master Studies (MA)	
Course Status (compulsory/elective): Compulsory	
Number of ECTS Allocated: 12	
Prerequisites: Exam in all subjects passed, all other requirements fulfilled.	

Course Aims: The aim of the final Master thesis is to train students for independent planning, programming and conducting their final work. Students should independently use the informational systems and databases in pedagogy, relevant for the topic of their final work. Encourage critical and ethical approach to literature and research.

Learning Outcomes:

After completing and defending their final Master thesis, students will have the acquired competences for planning, programming and researching in the field of education, competence for implementing the gained knowledge in practice, as well as the ability to critically and ethically monitor scientific and professional literature.

Syllabus:

The preparation of the final Master thesis involves a study research with the mentor. In the final Master thesis, the student shows the gained competences in theoretical and practical knowledge. It shows their independence in theoretical approach to the problem of their research, while respecting the ethics of the research process. The student chooses the scientific and professional literature relevant for the final MA thesis, as well as the relevant quantitative (statistical) and qualitative methods, techniques and procedures for processing the collected data. The student prepares a report where he/she suggest pedagogical approaches and methods.

Teaching Methods:

The student will independently use the methods he/she has learned during the course, through the Introduction to Methodology of Pedagogical Research. In his pedagogical research, the student will use techniques based on direct observation, verbal communication, analysis of data collected by testing, surveying and measuring. Student data will be processed independently through statistical procedures that he/she has learned through the subject Methodology of research.

Knowledge Assessment (maximum of 100 points): 100

Pre-exam obligations	points	Final exam	points
Preparing the final MA thesis	50	Presenting and defending the final MA thesis	50

The methods of knowledge assessment may differ; the table presents only some of the options: written exam, oral exam, project presentation, seminars, etc.