

**Rowan College of South Jersey
Associate in Applied Science (A.A.S.) in
Early Childhood/Preschool Education
Transfer Program Requirements**

Suggested Four Semester Sequence of Courses

The rapidly growing preschool field of private and public day care, Head Start, nursery and public preschool centers has created numerous positions in a variety of settings for graduates of this program. Graduates are employed as group teachers in private child care facilities, paraprofessionals in public schools, and as directors of private preschools and home day cares. Others move into bachelor's and master's degree programs to become fully certified early childhood teachers. Students are introduced to child development, learning theory, language and literacy development, classroom management, and problem-solving through math, science, technology and the arts. Students who have completed the program will be able to:

- Distinguish and apply the well-known and influential educational theories to practices.
- Design a developmentally appropriate classroom environment to meet the needs of young children.
- Develop observation skills and apply those skills to a case study
- Develop language and literacy skill in young children.
- Use the arts, sciences, and math in planning an integrated activity to broaden the child's knowledge base, solve problems and to help children relate to others.
- Locate, retrieve and critically evaluate information and information sources related to the profession.
- Evaluate and reflect upon their professional growth and development by creating a professional portfolio.

First Year Fall Semester

		Credits
___ED 106	Principles of Early Childhood Education	3
___EN 101	English Composition I	3
___PY 115	Child Development & Learning	3
___SO 201	Introductory Sociology	3
___CS 110	Technology Literacy	2
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Spring Semester

___CS 101 OR	Introduction to Microcomputers OR	3
___CS 102	Applications on the Microcomputer	
___ED 203	Language Development & Emergent Literacy	3
___ED 209	Child Health, Safety & Nutrition	3
___EN 102 OR	English Composition II OR	3
___EN 103 OR	Technical Writing OR	
___SP 203	Effective Speech	
___PY 101	General Psychology	3
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Second Year Fall Semester

___ED 201	Math, Science & Technology in Early Childhood	3
___ED 205	Preschool Classroom Management	3
___MA 109 OR	Principles of Mathematics OR	3
___MA 115	Mathematical Structures & Algorithms	
___PY 102	Child Psychology	3
___	Early Childhood Education Elective*	3
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Spring Semester

___ED 212	Picture Books and Storytelling	3
___ED 290	The Early Childhood Professional Capstone	3
___PI 110	Principles of Science I with Lab	4
___	General Education Diversity Elective	3
___	General Education Humanities Elective	3
		16
	Total Minimum Credits:	60

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Required Core and Elective Courses

<u>Communications</u>		<u>Credits</u>
EN 101	English Composition I	3
EN 102 OR	English Composition II OR	
EN 103 OR	Technical Writing OR	
SP 203	Effective Speech	3
<u>Mathematics</u>		
MA 109 OR	Principles of Mathematics OR	
MA 115	Mathematical Structures & Algorithms	3
<u>Science</u>		
PI 110	Principles of Science I with Lab	4
<u>Technology</u>		
CS 101 OR	Introduction to Microcomputers OR	
CS 102	Applications on the Microcomputer	3
CS 110	Technology Literacy	2
<u>Social Science</u>		
SO 201	Introductory Sociology	3
PY 101	General Psychology	3
PY 102	Child Psychology	3
PY 115	Child Development & Learning	3
<u>Humanities</u>		
	General Education Humanities Elective	3
<u>Global and Cultural Awareness</u>		
	General Education Diversity Elective	3
<u>Program Courses</u>		
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- *Early Childhood Education Electives**
 ED 103 Infant/Toddler Curriculum
 ED 105 Introduction to Special Education
 ED 110 Infant/Toddler Mental Health
 ED 204 Creative Learning Experiences