

[ECE.AAS; CIP Code 13.0101]

Associate in Applied Science - Career

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.

Program Learning Outcomes

Upon Completion of this program, students should 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.

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Early Childhood/ Preschool Education, A.A.S.

	EST YEAR - Fall Semester ED 106 Principles of Early Childhood Education EN 101 English Composition I PY 115 Child Development and Learning SO 201 Introductory Sociology CS 110 Information Technology	3 3 3 3 2
Spring Semester		
□	ED 105 Introduction to Special Education ED 203 Language Dev. and Emergent Literacy	3 3
	ED 209 Child Health, Safety and Nutrition	3
	SP 203 Effective Speech PY 101 General Psychology	3 3
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SECOND YEAR - Fall Semester		
	ED 201 Math, Science and Technology in Early Childhood	3
	ED 205 Preschool Classroom Management MA 109 Principles of Mathematics or	3
	MA 115 Mathematical Structures and Algorithms	3
	PY 102 Child Psychology	3
	Early Childhood Education Elective*	<u>3</u> 15
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Spring Semester		
	ED 212 Books and Storytelling in Early Childhood Education	3
	ED 290 The Early Childhood Professional	3
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	General Education Humanities Elective	3
		16

TOTAL CREDITS: 60

*Early Childhood Eduction Electives

ED 103 Infant/Toddler Curriculum

ED 110 Infant/Toddler Mental Health

ED 204 Creative Learning Experiences in Early Childhood Education