Early Childhood Education
Associate in Applied Science Degree (AAS)
90-100 Credits

This degree program prepares students for a career in Early Childhood Education. The completion of the degree or certificate program prepares graduates to seek employment in child care centers, Head Start, family child care homes, cooperative and private preschools, children’s homes, institutions and other programs serving children from birth through 8 years of age. This curriculum provides meaningful instruction for parents, foster parents and persons working with young children as instructional aides or paraeducators. Cultural relevancy is integrated into each course.

Students may specialize in one or more areas of emphasis and may enter this program at the beginning of any quarter.

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Dept./No. Course Title Credits
# B A 145 or Business Computation or
# BTAC 110 Business Math Applications or
# MATH course 100 or higher 5
# CMST&220 Public Speaking 5
# ENGL&101 English Composition I 5
# ECED& 105 Introduction to Early Childhood Education 5
# ECED& 107 Health, Safety and Nutrition 5
# ECED& 120 ECE Practicum 1-Nurturing–Relationships 2
# ECED& 160 Curriculum Development in ECE 5
# ECED& 170 Learning Environments–Young Child 3
# ECED& 180 Language and Literacy Development 3
# ECED& 190 Observation and Assessment 3
# ECED 152 Multicultural Books 3
# ECED 155 Exploring Science and Math 5
# ECED 165 Art for Children 3
# ECED 175 Music/Movement Activities 3
# ECED 250 Early Childhood Education Final Practicum 3
# EDUC 240 Multicultural/Anti-Bias Issues in Education 3-5
# EDUC&115 Child Development 5
# EDUC& 130 Guiding Behavior 3
# EDUC& 150 Child, Family and Community Relationships 3
# EDUC&204 Exceptional Child 5

Select six credits from the following practicum classes: 6
# ECED 126 Child Development Associate Practicum 1 (3)
ECED 127 Child Development Associate Practicum 2 (3)
# ECED 214 Early Childhood Education Practicum 2 (3)
# ECED 215 Early Childhood Education Practicum 3 (3)
EDUC210 Assisting Practicum (3-6)

Electives/Areas of Specialization or General Education Requirements 7-15
Any ECED or EDUC course numbered 100 or higher; or courses from the Humanities, Social Science or Natural Science distribution requirements of AA-DTA degree. (See Advisor).

# Satisfies related instruction requirements.

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