Early Childhood Education
Paraeducator
Associate in Applied Arts
108-110 Credits

Paraeducators are a valuable asset for teachers in providing support and assistance in instruction and other direct services to students, and in helping to ensure a positive, safe, and supportive learning community. Based on the Washington State Paraeducator standards, the program provides students with the training needed to work as effective members of instructional teams. Core competencies covered in this program prepare paraeducators to effectively support and extend instruction and services, thereby increasing student learning. These core competencies revolve around the areas of instructional strategies, behavior management, and human growth and development. The coursework is offered partially online as well as in the classroom, drawing on the expertise of local professionals and schools.

Through advising, the student can match their practicum placements and a portion of their course work to Early Childhood, Elementary or Secondary Education with an emphasis in Special Education, ESOL classrooms, and other specialized populations.

This is a dual-purpose degree program that is intended to prepare students for employment as paraeducators with transfer options to specific baccalaureate degree programs. * Students who wish to explore other transfer options in Teacher Education should contact ProjectTEACH, a pre-service teacher preparation program designed to provide future teachers with a seamless pathway to a teaching career through partnership with local schools. ProjectTEACH provides classes designed specifically for future K-12 teachers.

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### Health Education

**HI Ed 150**  
**Total Wellness**  
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### Program Core

**Ece 101**  
**Introduction to Early Childhood Education or**

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**Introduction to Education**  
**5**

**Edec 102**  
**Computers in Education**  
**3**

**Edec 110**  
**Child Development**  
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**Edec 140**  
**Health, Safety & Nutrition**  
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**Art for Children**  
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**Special Topics: Alcohol & Drug Awareness**  
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**Edec 196**  
**Special Topics: Test Administration & Scoring**  
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**Edec 200**  
**Curriculum Development in Literacy**  
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**Edec 245**  
**Challenging Behaviors in Young Children**  
**2**

**Edec 293**  
**Issues of Child Abuse**  
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**Edec 294**  
**Special Topics: Supervision & Staff Management**  
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**Edec 295**  
**Special Topics: Children's Theatre**  
**5**

**Edu 210**  
**Assisting Practicum**  
**6**

**Edu 240**  
**Multicultural/Anti-Bias Issues in Education**  
**3-5**

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# Satisfies related instruction requirements.

* **NOTE:**
  1. You must consult with an appropriate advisor to obtain information on specific requirements of the receiving baccalaureate institution.
  2. Some courses may have prerequisites. See course catalog for descriptions.

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