

Early Childhood Studies Associate of Applied Science

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Learn to excel at caring for and educating young children. Students planning to transfer to a bachelor's degree program should pursue the AA in Liberal Arts in Early Childhood Education or Elementary Education.

Selective Admissions Program: In order to be fully admitted to this program, you must fulfill the requirements listed on the program website. See the website or an advisor for details.

Title IV Financial Aid eligibility: Yes

What can I do with this degree?

Career options: Become a teacher's aide, lead teacher or director of a preschool center, or open your own home child care center. Degree completion meets the criteria for the Arizona Early Childhood Workforce Career Lattice Level E.

Academic options: This program may apply toward a Bachelor of Applied Science (BAS). See an advisor.

CHOOSE YOUR COURSES WITH YOUR COLLEGE ADVISOR

Placement

Students must meet prerequisite standards before taking WRT 101, required in the pathway below. If you are not prepared for these courses based on placement results you will need to take courses to build your skills prior to taking them. The sequence of courses follows.

Reading: ICS 079 > REA 081 > REA 091

Writing: ICS 079 > WRT 090 > WRT 101 (or WRT 101S can replace both WRT 090 and WRT 101)

Semester Pathway

This pathway is a suggested sequence of courses for full-time students. Part-time students or those with specific interests or transfer needs are encouraged to work with an advisor to develop a unique academic map.

Semester 1 (Semester Total: 14 credits)

ART 105: Exploring Art and Visual Culture (3 credits)

CSA 100: Computer Literacy (1 credit)

ECE 117 : Child Growth and Development (3 credits)

ECE 118: Foundations of Early Childhood Education (3 credits)

or **CDA courses:** Complete all of the following CDA 102: The Child's Total Learning Environment (1 credit) and CDA 121: Techniques for Observing Children (1 credit) and CDA 271: Professionalism in Childcare (1 credit)

STU 100: Student Success and Career Planning (1 credit)

WRT 101: English Composition I (3 credits)

Semester 2 (Semester Total: 17 credits)

ECE 125: Nutrition, Health and Safety for the Young Child (3 credits)

ECE 226: Positive Child Guidance (3 credits)

ECE 240 : Assessment of Young Children (3 credits)

MAT 106: Elementary Data Analysis and Spreadsheets (2 credits)

WRT 102: English Composition II (3 credits)

Elective: Choose 3 credits from courses listed as Electives on the program website. (3 credits)

Semester 3 (Semester Total: 16 credits)

BIO 105IN: Environmental Biology (4 credits)

ECE 115 : Supervision and Administration of Early Childhood Programs (3 credits)

ECE 228 : The Young Child: Family, Culture and Community (3 credits) (1st 8 week session)

ECE 246: Integrating Learning and Lesson Planning: Literacy (3 credits) (2nd 8 week session)

Elective: Choose 3 credits from courses listed as Electives on the program website. (3 credits)

Semester 4 (Semester Total: 13 credits)

ANT 112: Exploring Non-Western Cultures (3 credits)

or **HIS 127:** History and Culture of the Mexican-American in the Southwest (3 credits)

or **HUM 260:** Intercultural Perspectives (3 credits)

ECE 292: Early Childhood Education: Theory to Practice (4 credits)

Elective: Choose 6 credits from courses listed as Electives on the program website (6 credits)

PROGRAM TOTAL: 60 credits

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