

**Early Childhood Associate
Associate in Early Childhood
(A55220)**

The Early Childhood Associate curriculum prepares individuals to work with children from infancy through middle childhood in diverse learning environments. Students will combine learned theories with practice in actual settings with young children under the supervision of qualified teachers.

Course work includes child growth and development; physical/nutritional needs of children; care and guidance of children; and communication skills with parents and children. Students will foster the cognitive/language, physical/motor, social/emotional and creative development of young children.

Graduates are prepared to plan and implement developmentally appropriate programs in early childhood settings. Employment opportunities include child development and child care programs, preschools, public and private schools, recreational centers, Head Start Programs, and school age programs.

		Title	Class	Lab	Clinical	Work	Credits
General Education Courses							
ENG	111	Expository Writing	3	0	0	0	3
ENG	112	Argument-Based Research	3	0	0	0	3
ACA	118	College Study Skills	1	2	0	0	2
BIO	140	Environmental Biology	3	0	0	0	3
BIO	140A	Environmental Bio. Lab	0	3	0	0	1
PSY	150	General Psychology	3	0	0	0	3
MAT	140	Survey of Mathematics	3	0	0	0	3
MUS	110	Music Appreciation	3	0	0	0	3
or							
ART	111	Art Appreciation	3	0	0	0	3
Major Courses:							
EDU	119	Early Childhood Education	4	0	0	0	4
EDU	131	Child, Family, and Comm.	3	0	0	0	3
Select one Child Development Set:							
EDU	144	Child Development I	3	0	0	0	3
and							
EDU	145	Child Development II	3	0	0	0	3
or							
PSY	244	Child Development I	3	0	0	0	3
and							
PSY	245	Child Development II	3	0	0	0	3
EDU	146	Child Guidance	3	0	0	0	3

EDU	151	Creative Activities	3	0	0	0	3
EDU	153	Health, Safety, & Nut.	3	0	0	0	3
EDU	221	Children w/Exceptionalities	3	0	0	0	3
EDU	271	Educational Technology	2	2	0	0	3
EDU	280	Literacy Experiences	3	0	0	0	3
EDU	284	Early Child Capstone Pract	1	9	0	0	4

Other Major Hours:

*COE	111	Co-op Work Experience I	0	0	0	10	1
EDU	251	Exploration Activities	3	0	0	0	3
EDU	259	Curriculum Planning	3	0	0	0	3
EDU	288	Advanced Issues	2	0	0	0	2

Select three hours:

EDU	250	PRAXIS I Preparation	1	0	0	0	1
EDU	234	Infants, Toddlers, & Twos	3	0	0	0	3
EDU	235	School-Age Dev & Program	3	0	0	0	3
EDU	261	Early Childhood Admin I	3	0	0	0	3
EDU	262	Early Childhood Admin II	3	0	0	0	3

*Contact Co-Op office for course and section numbers.

Total Semester Hours Credit: 68

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