

PROGRAMS

EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION - BIRTH-KINDERGARTEN LICENSURE TRANSFER

The Early Childhood Education curriculum prepares individuals to work with children from birth through eight 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 families 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 childcare programs, preschools, public and private schools, recreational centers, Head Start Programs, and school-age programs.

This is a 2-year degree that transfers to any NC state 4-year university that offers a bachelor's degree in "Birth through Kindergarten". Students who choose this degree pathway plan to become a licensed teacher.

*This degree is required to be the lead preschool teacher in the public schools or a Kindergarten teacher. If students want to teach a grade higher than kindergarten, an additional Praxis exam would be required.

Associate in Applied Science Degree Program

		Course Hours Per Week		Semester Hours
First Semester (Fall)		Class	Lab	Credit
ACA-115	Success & Study Skills	0	2	1
EDU-119	Intro to Early Child Educ	4	0	4
EDU-144	Child Development I	3	0	3
EDU-151	Creative Activities	3	0	3
PSY-150	General Psychology	3	0	3
***	Social/Behavioral Science Elective	3	0	3
Credit Hours		16	2	17

Second Semester (Spring)		Class	Lab	Credit
EDU-145	Child Development II	3	0	3
EDU-146	Child Guidance	3	0	3
EDU-153	Health, Safety and Nutrition	3	0	3
EDU-234	Infants, Toddlers, and Twos	3	0	3
MAT-143	Quantitative Literacy	2	2	3
Credit Hours		14	2	15

Third Semester (Summer)		Class	Lab	Credit
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		Course Hours Per Week		Semester Hours
BIO-110 or BIO-111	Principles of Biology or General Biology I	3	3	4
ENG-111	Writing and Inquiry	3	0	3
***	Humanities/Fine Arts Elective	3	0	3
Credit Hours		9	3	10

Fourth Semester (Fall)

EDU-131	Child, Family, and Community	3	0	3
EDU-216	Foundations of Education	3	0	3
EDU-280	Language/Literacy Experiences	3	0	3
ENG-112 or ENG-114	Writing/Research in the Disc or Prof Research & Reporting	3	0	3
***	Natural Science Elective	2-4	0-3	4
Credit Hours		14-16	0-3	16

Fifth Semester (Spring)

COM-231	Public Speaking	3	0	3
EDU-221	Children With Exceptionalities	3	0	3
EDU-250	Teacher Licensure Preparation	3	0	3
EDU-284	Early Child Capstone Prac	1	9	4
Credit Hours		10	9	13

Total Required Minimum Semester Hours Credit 71

Social/Behavioral Science Elective list:		Class	Lab	Credit
ECO-251	Prin of Microeconomics	3	0	3
ECO-252	Prin of Macroeconomics	3	0	3
HIS-111	World Civilizations I	3	0	3
HIS-112	World Civilizations II	3	0	3
HIS-131	American History I	3	0	3
HIS-132	American History II	3	0	3
POL-120	American Government	3	0	3
SOC-210	Introduction to Sociology	3	0	3

Natural Science Elective list:

AST***	AST-111 and AST-111A	3	2	4
CHM-151	General Chemistry I	3	3	4
GEL-111	Geology	3	2	4
PHY***	PHY-110 and PHY-110A	3	2	4

Humanities/Fine Arts Elective list:

ART-111	Art Appreciation	3	0	3
ART-114	Art History Survey I	3	0	3
ART-115	Art History Survey II	3	0	3

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MUS-110	Music Appreciation	3	0	3
MUS-112	Introduction to Jazz	3	0	3
PHI-215	Philosophical Issues	3	0	3
PHI-240	Introduction to Ethics	3	0	3

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