

Early Childhood Education (AAS)

Degree Type

Associate of Applied Science

The Associate of Applied Science in Early Childhood Education is designed to meet the competencies required for the Birth through Pre-Kindergarten Teaching Credential which is required by Act 187 passed by the Arkansas Legislature during the 2009 session. This degree will allow a graduate to apply for the Birth through Pre-Kindergarten Teaching Credential from the Division of Early Care and Education of the Department of Human Services. It will allow the graduate to be the lead teacher in a non-public school classroom or in a Head Start classroom as they pursue a Bachelor's degree. The student will be qualified to serve as a para-professional in a public school pre-kindergarten classroom. It will not allow the graduate to be the lead teacher in a public school pre-kindergarten classroom.

General Education Core

MTH 1003 or higher level math course

Item #	Title	Credits
BUS 1013	INTRODUCTION TO BUSINESS	3
ENG 1103	ENGLISH COMPOSITION I	3
ENG 1203	ENGLISH COMPOSITION II	3
MTH 1003	TECHNICAL MATH	3
SPC 1003	ORAL COMMUNICATION	3

Social Science Core

Three (3) hours required from following:

Item #	Title	Credits
PSY 1003	GENERAL PSYCHOLOGY	3
SOC 2003	PRINCIPLES OF SOCIOLOGY	3

Development Education Core

Item #	Title	Credits
ECE 1003	FOUNDATIONS OF EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION	3
ECE 1103	CHILD GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT	3
ECE 1203	ENVIRONMENTS FOR YOUNG CHILDREN	3
ECE 1303	FIELD EXPERIENCE	3
ECE 2303	PRACTICUM	3
EDU 2103	INTRO TO K12 EDUCATIONAL TECHNOLOGY	3

Teaching Credential Core

Item #	Title	Credits
ECE 2003	CHILD GUIDANCE	3
ECE 2103	PRESCHOOL CURRICULUM (B-Pre-K)	3
ECE 2203	INFANT/TODDLER CURRICULUM	3
ECE 2923	LITERACY AND LANGUAGE ARTS FOR EARLY CHILDHOOD	3
ECE 2943	MATH AND SCIENCE FOR EARLY CHILDHOOD	3
ECE 2963	HEALTH SAFETY AND NUTRITION	3
ECE 2973	SPECIAL NEEDS	3
ECE 2993	FUTURE PERSPECTIVES IN EARLY CHILDHOOD (capstone course)	3
Total Credits		60