

Early Childhood Education



PROGRAM DESCRIPTION



Early Childhood Education prepares individuals for rewarding careers as skilled early childhood professionals. The associate in applied science degree offers the theoretical foundation and practical learning experiences for success in a wide variety of occupations working with young children from birth through age eight, including those children with special developmental and learning needs. Students may choose to use this degree as a pathway to earn a Bachelor's Degree in a PreK-3 teaching certification program.

The Early Childhood certificate program prepares individuals for entry-level positions at institutions and agencies serving young children and is for in-service personnel who want to upgrade their skills.

KEY LEARNING OBJECTIVES

Graduates with the associate in applied science degree will:

- Apply current principles of child development and positive guidance to plan and implement developmentally appropriate experiences and environments for young children.
- Develop strategies to form respectful and supportive relationships that integrate principles of diversity when interacting and planning experiences for young children and their families.
- Use observation, documentation and developmentally appropriate assessment tools to track progress, plan curriculum and develop strategies for communicating with families and other professionals.
- Apply strategies, resources and a variety of instructional methods to plan, implement and evaluate meaningful and challenging curriculum that promotes positive learning outcomes for all young children.
- Reflect on their practices and engage in professional behaviors for continuous professional growth.

PREREQUISITE

AAS Degree-high school level Algebra I required.

Certificate-high school level Algebra I required.

IMPORTANT NOTE: All students enrolled in EMCC's Education programs must apply to receive fingerprint clearance from the Maine Department of Education prior to registration for second semester courses. The total cost of this process is \$75 and this fee will be attached to a required introductory course. Admitted students will need to register and complete the application process in their first semester of the Education program with a program advisor. The card expires five years from date of issue.

Individuals who have engaged in certain criminal activity could be denied access to gainful employment in their intended field. Additionally, field placement sites may deny the individual access to their site if they have been convicted of certain crimes. Individuals who have engaged in any activity which may be considered abuse, neglect or exploitation of a minor or of an incapacitated or dependent adult, or who have been convicted of any crime involving fraud or dishonesty, or drugs, or for which imprisonment of one year or more has been imposed are urged to seek clarification from the Director of Admissions prior to submitting an application for admission to the Early Childhood Education program.

Programs of Study

Automotive
Building Construction
Business Management-Career Option
Business Management-Transfer Option
Business Management-Small Business
Career Studies
Computer Systems Technology
Criminal Justice
Culinary Arts
Diesel, Truck & Heavy Equipment
Digital Graphic Design
Early Childhood Education
Education-Career & Technical Ed
Education-Elementary Ed
Education-Secondary Ed
Electrical and Automation
Electricians Technology
Emergency Medical Services
Fine Woodworking & Cabinet Making
Fire Science
Human Services
Liberal Studies
Medical Assistant
Medical Office-Coding Option
Medical Office-Health Care Secretary
Medical Radiography
Nursing
Outdoor Recreation & Tourism
Plumbing
Refrigeration, Air Conditioning & Heating
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Trade & Technical Occupations
Welding

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EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION Associate in Applied Science Degree

FIRST SEMESTER

ECE 110	Child and Adolescent Development	3
ECE 116	Early Literacy Development	3
ENG101	College Composition	3
Elective	General Education Course (100 level or higher)	3
Elective	General Education Course (100 level or higher)	3

CREDITS

SECOND SEMESTER

ECE 117	Observing and Recording in the Field	3
ECE 127	Cognitive and Affective Development	3
ECE 131	Infant and Toddler Curriculum	3
Elective	General Education Course (100 level or higher)	3
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THIRD SEMESTER

ECE 216	Survey of Exceptionalities	3
ECE 220	Numeracy, Environments and Integrated Curriculum for Young Children	3
ECE 232	Field Placement II	4
Elective	General Education Course (100 level or higher)	3
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CREDITS

FOURTH SEMESTER

ECE 221	STEM Curriculum for Young Children	3
ECE 233	Field Placement III	6
Elective	Education (Any ECE or EDB not taken as a requirement)	3
Elective	General Education Course	3-4

CREDITS

TOTAL AAS DEGREE CREDITS

62-63

*GENERAL EDUCATION ELECTIVE DISTRIBUTION (100 level or higher)

Communications		3
Humanities or Social Sciences		9
Math or Science (Minimum of one MAT and one lab science)		10

EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION Certificate

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ECE 110	Child and Adolescent Development	3
ECE 116	Early Literacy Development	3
ENG 101	College Composition	3
Elective	General Education Course (100 level or higher)	3

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34

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