

EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

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Associate of Science

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The Early Childhood Development program is designed to prepare students for employment in early childhood education environments with transfer options to colleges and universities offering Bachelor's degrees in Early Childhood Education. The UCC AS degree articulates directly to the Southern Oregon University Bachelor's Degree.

PROGRAM OUTCOMES

Students who successfully complete the Associate of Science degree in Early Childhood Development will be able to:

1. Create healthy, respectful, supportive and challenging learning environments for young children based on knowledge of child development
2. Create respectful, reciprocal relationships that support and empower families and involve all families in their student's development and learning
3. Develop and use effective and responsible assessment including observation, documentation and other appropriate tools in partnership with families and professional colleagues to promote positive outcomes for each child
4. Use a whole array of developmentally appropriate approaches, instructional strategies, and tools to connect with children and families and positively influence each child's development and learning
5. Design, implement and evaluate meaningful, challenging curriculum that promotes comprehensive developmental and learning outcomes for every young child
6. Demonstrate behavior reflective of ethical guidelines and professional practices associated with early childhood careers

CAREER CONSIDERATIONS

The Early Childhood Development program prepares students for entry level jobs and future careers in the following areas: Day Care assistants and teachers and Pre-School Assistants and teachers.

PROGRAM COURSE REQUIREMENTS

Year One

ECE 101	Seminar/Practicum I	4
ECE 102	Seminar/Practicum II	4
ECE 103	Seminar/Practicum III	4
ECE 140	Intro to ECE	2
ECE 150	Creative Activities	3
ECE 240	Lesson and Curriculum Planning	3
ED 154	Lit and Lang for Children	3
HDFS 225	Child Development	3
HDFS 226	Infant/Todd Development	3
WR 121	Academic Composition	4
WR 122	Argument, Research, and Multimodal Comp	4
Other General Education Requirements for University Transfer		12-16

Year Two

ECE 104	Seminar/Practicum IV	4
ECE 105	Seminar/Practicum V	4
ECE 106	Seminar/Practicum VI	4
ECE 178	Observing and Guiding Behavior	3
ECE 244	Individual Learning/PreSchool	3
ECE 247	Admin of Childcare Centers	4
HDFS 240	Cont. American Families	3
HDFS 228	The Exceptional Child	3
MTH 211	Fund of Elem Math I	4
MTH 212	Fund of Elem Math II	4
Other General Education Requirements for University Transfer		18-24

Total Credits 104

PROGRAM ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS

Academic Entrance Requirement

- Enrollment in Oregon Central Background Registry
- Verification of MMR vaccinations
- Food Handler's Certificate

Contact the intended university of transfer to determine appropriate general education requirements for transfer. The UCC Associates Degree is designed to transfer seamlessly to Southern Oregon University.