



ANCILLA COLLEGE

EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE

Why should I consider an associate degree in Early Childhood Education?

Ancilla College offers an Associate of Applied Science degree with an Early Childhood Education concentration. This degree lays a foundation for students in the field of early childhood education. It prepares students to work professionally in a variety of settings with young children including preschool, home childcare, and other facilities. INTASC, IPBS, and NAEYC standards are used for the design of the early childhood education conceptual framework, general studies, field experience, and assessment of students.

What are the requirements for the Early Childhood Education associate degree?

Suggested Schedule of Classes: (Concentration requirements in bold, blue type)

<u>First Semester</u>		Credits	<u>Third Semester</u>		Credits
HUM 101	Freshman Seminar	1	MATH/ED 102	Math for Early Childhood	3
ENGL 110	Writing I	3	ED/PSY 256	Human Growth & Development	3
COMM 115	Public Speaking	3	ED 258	Intro to Exceptional Children	3
CS 135	Computer Literacy	3	ED 265	Learning Environments	3
PSY 115	General Psychology	3	Social/Behavioral Science Course **		3
ED 205	Intro to Early Childhood Ed	3			
<u>Second Semester</u>			<u>Fourth Semester</u>		
ENGL 212	Writing II	3	BIOL 114	Bio Concepts for Elem Teachers	5
ED 260	Curriculum Development	3	ED 262	Communication & Emergent Literacy	3
ED 261	Child in Family, Culture, Community	3	ED 266	Practicum in Early Childhood/ Professionalism	4
Religion or Philosophy Course*		3	ED 295	Specific Topics in Education	1-3
Humanities Course *		3	Concentration Elective***		3

Concentration Requirements: 29-31 credit hours

General Education Requirements: 33 credit hours

ASSOCIATE DEGREE TOTAL: 62-64 credit hours

*Humanities Course choices: ART 125 Art Appreciation, MUS 125 Music Appreciation, Literature, Modern Language, Philosophy or Religion

**Social/Behavioral Science choices: SOC 140 Introduction to Sociology, PSCI 160 American National Government,

ECON 250 Macroeconomics, or History

***Course of student's choice with approval of advisor

"The Early Childhood classes offer real life experiences. I can take what I learn and apply it to my work with young children."

– Kerry Munoz

What can I do with an Early Childhood Education degree?

The Associate of Applied Science in Early Childhood Education prepares students to work in a variety of educational and child care settings, including preschool, day care, private kindergarten and as a para-professional in the public schools. This degree offers students the opportunity to gain enhanced practical experience through the practicum course.