



ANCILLA COLLEGE

EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE

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

Ancilla College offers an Associate of 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 transfer to a senior institution to earn a four-year degree. 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>		<u>Credits</u>	<u>Third Semester</u>		<u>Credits</u>
HUM 101	Freshman Seminar	1	Social/Behavioral Science Course **		3
ENGL 110	Writing I	3	Science Course***		5
COMM 115	Public Speaking	3	ED/PSY 256 Human Growth & Development		3
CS 135	Computer Literacy	3	ED 258 Intro to Exceptional Children		3
PSY 115	General Psychology	3			
ED 205	Intro to Early Childhood Ed.	3			
<u>Second Semester</u>			<u>Fourth Semester</u>		
ENGL 212	Writing II	3	ED 262 Communication & Emergent Literacy		3
BIOL 114	Bio Concepts for Elem Teachers	5	Concentration Elective ****		3
MATH 105	Math for Elementary Teachers I	3	Literature Course*		3
ED 261	Child in Family, Culture, Community	3	Religion or Philosophy Course		3
Humanities Course*		3	Social/Behavioral Science Course **		3

Concentration Requirements:	18 credit hours
General Education Requirements:	44 credit hours
ASSOCIATE DEGREE TOTAL:	62 credit hours

*Three areas must be represented from Humanities, Fine Arts, Religion or Philosophy

**Social/Behavioral Science choices: SOC 140 Introduction to Sociology, PSCI 160 American National Government, ECON 250 Macroeconomics, or History

***Science choices: BIOL 110 The Human Body, BIOL 286 Ecology, CHEM 115 Introduction to Chemistry, or CHEM 120 General Chemistry I

****Concentration choices: ED 200 Technology for Teachers, ED/PSY 250 Educational Psychology, ED 265 Learning Environments, or Course of Student's Choice (with advisor approval)

"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?

Many school districts hire persons with an associate degree in early childhood to be substitute teachers and teachers' aides. The early childhood degree at Ancilla College prepares graduates to transfer to a four-year institution for advanced course work required for a bachelor's degree and a teaching license.