

EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION - ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE

The Early Childhood Education Program is designed to prepare men and women to become teacher and/or directors of Child Care Centers. The two-year program leads to an Associate of Applied Science Degree in Early Childhood Education. Instruction and lab with hands-on, on-site work experience prepare the student for both teaching and management responsibilities. Hours accumulated during labs are applied as work experience for the Colorado State Human Services license as a director or group leader of a large child care center. Certificates are embedded in this degree program that include Group Leader, Infant/Toddler, Pre-School, Before and After School Care, and Director. Background checks, fingerprints, current physical and proof of immunizations are required to work at any ECE lab site. Current First Aid and CPR must be obtained by the beginning of the second year of coursework.

Freshman Year

		Fall	Spring
ECE 101	Intro to Early Childhood Education	3	
ECE 102	Intro to Early Childhood Lab Techniques	3	
ECE 226	Creativity and the Young Child	3	
ECE 103	Guidance Strategies for Children	3	
ENG 115/121	Tech English or English Composition I	3	
ECE 111	Infant and Toddler Theory and Practice		3
ECE 112	Intro to Infant/Toddler Lab Techniques		3
ECE 205	Nutrition, Health, and Safety		3
ECE 220	Curriculum Development: Methods and Techniques		3
CIS 118	Intro to PC Applications		3
PSY101	General Psychology I		3

Sophomore Year

		Fall	Spring
ECE 241	Administration: Human Relations for ECE	3	
ECE 260	Exceptional Child	3	
ECE 288	Practicum: Early Childhood Education	3	
ECE 225	Language and Cognition for the Young Child	3	
SOC 101	Intro to Sociology I	3	
ECE 240	Administration of Early Childhood Care and Education Programs		3
ECE 289	Capstone: Early Childhood Education		3
HWE 100	Human Nutrition		3
LIT 255	Children's Literature		3
PSY 238	Child Development		3
ECE 125	Science/Math for the Young Child		3