Associate in Science

Early Childhood Education Program – Career Option

The Early Childhood Education Program is accredited by the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC).

To graduate in the Early Childhood Education Program - Career Option, a student must complete the following required course of study.

For students planning to teach in Massachusetts public schools, please refer to the **Education Licensure Requirements**. Refer to information regarding <u>Criminal Offender Record Information</u> (CORI).

Course #	Course Title	Credits	Prerequisites	Semester Offered	Semester Taken	Grade Earned
General Educ	ation				ı	
COM103	Oral Communication	3	ENL010	every		
ENL101	English Composition I	3	ENL050 or ESL201	every		
ENL102	English Composition II	3	ENL101	every		
ENL120	Introduction to Children's Literature	3	ENL101	-		
SOC106	Principles of Sociology	3		every		
PSY101	General Psychology	3		every		
	Mathematics or Natural Science**	3/4				
Professional	Education***					
ECE100	Intro. to Early Childhood Education	3	ENL020, ENL050	-		
ECE105	Intro. to Children with Special Needs	3	ECE100 or PSY201	-		
ECE201	Curriculum Planning for Early Childhood Education	3	ECE100 or PSY201	-		
ECE202	Advanced Curriculum Development: Creative Experiences for Early Childhood Education	3	ECE201	-		
ECE221	Classroom Management: Skills & Strategies for EC Teachers	3	PSY201or ECE110	-		
ECE230	Practicum in Early Childhood Education	6	PSY201 & ECE201	-		
ECE291	Leadership & Management in ECE Programs	2	ECE110 or PSY201	-		
PSY201	Child Psychology	3	PSY101	-		
SOC210, SOC215, SOC208	Marriage and Family (or) Social Problems (or) Race, Gender, and Class in the US	3	SOC106 (or) SOC106(or) SOC106	-		
	Early Childhood Education Elective*	3				
	Electives (2)	6				
Total Credits:		60**				

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Overview: This program is designed for students who are interested in working with young children. Graduates of the program work in a variety of child care settings in both private and public schools.

Career Outlook: Upon completion of this program, the student is qualified to work in a licensed child care facility. Graduates also work in summer camps and as assistants in public schools. The program meets the requirements of the Massachusetts Office of Child Care Services.

Program Outcomes

Upon completion of the Early Childhood Education program students will be able to:

- Promote child development and learning
- Build family and community relationships
- Observe, document, and assess to support young children and families
- Build meaningful curriculum
- Become a professional
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* Early Childhood Education Electives

ECE115 Literacy and the Young Child ECE200 Teaching Infants and Toddlers ECE211 Curriculum Strategies for Teaching Math and Science to Young Children ECE242 Selected Topics in Early Childhood Education

Transfer Option: Click here for information on the Early Childhood Education Transfer Compact Concentration.

^{**} A student who takes a 3-credit mathematics course will need an additional one credit course to graduate. FIT130 Standard First Aid and Basic Life Support is recommended.

^{***} Please refer to the policy statement of Criminal Offender Record Information and Sex Offender Registry Information checks.