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# ASSOCIATE OF ARTS DEGREE



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## Program of Study

### Framework

The Associate of Arts in Early Childhood Education degree program is structured according to the national and state requirements for associate degree programs in early childhood education. The program is based on the competencies and guidelines established by the following national organizations:

- National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC)
- American Associate Degree Early Childhood Educators (ACCESS)
- National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE)
- Association for Childhood Education International (ACEI)
- National Board for Professional Teaching Standards (NBPTS)

The program of study is designed to meet the national guidelines and competencies recommended by NAEYC, ACCESS, and NCATE for the initial preparation of early childhood educators. Professional courses are intended to develop knowledge and competence in five key areas: child development; curriculum, family and community, assessment, special needs, and professionalism. Field experiences support and enhance professional development in each of these domains.

The Associate of Arts Degree in Early Childhood Education consists of 69 credits hours: 36 credits hours of General Education courses and 33 credit hours of Early Childhood Education courses.

The following program outline is subject to change. Please see the schedule for detailed information on all prerequisites.

<i>sample program outline dated 7/24/02</i>		
1.	ECA 101 Introduction to Early Childhood Education: Health, Safe LE, Phys and Cog Dev. (CDA I) *	3
2.	ECA 112 Introduction to Early Childhood Education: Social and Emotional Dev. (CDA II) *	3
3.	ECA 114 Introduction to Early Childhood Education: Family and Communities (CDA III) *	3
* Please note if you possess CDA credential or equivalent coursework, you do not have to take ECA 101, 112 and 114.		
4.	<b>ECA 210 Field Experience Portfolio Lab I **</b>	<b>1</b>

5.	ECA 127 Developmental Curriculum: Language, Literacy, and Social Studies	3
6.	ECA 105 Children with Special Needs (Birth – Age 8)	3
7.	ECA 118 Child Observation, Record Keeping, and Assessment	3
8.	ECA 141 Child Guidance	3
9.	<b>ECA 211 Field Experience Portfolio Lab II **</b>	<b>1</b>
10.	ECA 128 Developmental Curriculum: Math and Science	3
11.	ECA 103 Foundation of Early Care or ECA 115 Creative Activities for Young Children	3
12.	ECA 205 Management of Programs for Young Children or ECA 206 Leadership in Early Care and Education	2
--	ECA 201 Ethical Behavior (will be combined into ECA 205 and ECA 206)	1
13.	<b>ECA 212 Field Experiences Portfolio Lab III **</b>	<b>1</b>
** All Field Experience courses will be infused into the final course designated in each sequence outlined by the particular block of study. ECA 210 is the prerequisite to ECA 211 and ECA 212.		
<b>Required General Education Courses &amp; Titles</b>		
14, 15.	Choose 2 from Literature Requirements:	2 x 3
	ARTS 2300 Art in Society*** (3 cr.)	
	LITR 2010 British Literature*** (3 cr.)	
	LITR 2020 American Literature*** (3 cr.)	
	LITR 2030 World Literature*** (3 cr.)	
16.	TECH 1100 Technology in the Information Age	3
17.	WRIT 1500 College Writing	3
18.	WRIT 2000 Advanced College Writing	3
19.	COMM 2010 Public Communications	3
20.	BIOL 1100 Concepts and Connections in Biology	3
21.	BIOL 1040 Environmental Studies	3
22.	MATH 1040 Algebra for College Students	3
23.	MATH 1030 Intermediate Algebra ****	3
24.	PSYC 2370 Child Growth and Development	3
25.	SOCL 2020 Introduction to Sociology	3
*** WRIT 1500 is the prerequisite to ARTS 2300 and LITR 2010-2030.		

**** MATH 1030 is the prerequisite to MATH 1040.	
<b>Total Credits for Degree</b>	69
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Detailed information on all prerequisites is posted in the schedule.	

<b>Course Equivalency Grid</b>		
<i>Course Code</i>	<i>Course Title</i>	<i>Undergraduate Farquhar Course</i>
AART 1110	Creativity and Imagination	Choose One (Prerequisite is WRIT 1500):
		ARTS 2300 Art in Society
		LITR 2010 British Literature
		LITR 2020 American Literature
		LITR 2030 World Literature
ACGS 1000	Intro to Computers	TECH 1100 Technology in the Information Age
AENC 1101	English Comp. 1	WRIT 1500 College Writing
AENC 2102	English Comp. 2	WRIT 2000 Advanced College Writing
ASPC 1010	Speech	COMM 2010 Public Communications
ALIT 2330	Children's Literature	Choose One (Prerequisite is WRIT 1500):
		ARTS 2300 Art in Society
		LITR 2010 British Literature
		LITR 2020 American Literature
		LITR 2030 World Literature
ABSC 1010	General Biology	BIOL 1100 Concepts and Connections in Biology
AISC 1141	Environmental Science	BIOL 1040 Environmental Studies
AMAT 1033	College Algebra	MATH 1040 Algebra for College Students
AMAT 2105	Intermediate Algebra	MATH 1030 Intermediate Algebra
ADEP 2100	Child Growth & Dev't.	PSYC 2370 Child Growth & Dev't
ASYG 1000	Sociology	SOCL 2020 Introduction to Sociology

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