

DEGREE MAP

The following sequence is an example of how this program can be completed within the recommended time frame. It presumes that all course and program prerequisites have been met. Completion times may vary depending on individual circumstances. Students should consult an advisor when they plan their individual completion path using MyDegreePlan.

Program Name: Early Childhood Care and Education - Associate of Arts Degree

Locations Offered: Douglas Campus and Sierra Vista Campus

First Semester: Fall

Requirement Category	Course(s)	Delivery*	Credits
Core Curriculum	ECE 150 Introduction to Early Childhood Care and Education	CB, OL	3
Gen Ed-Composition	ENG 101 Composition OR ENG 101L Composition with Support Lab	CB, OL	3
Gen Ed-Mathematics	MAT 142 College Mathematics OR MAT 142L College Mathematics with Support Lab or higher	CB, OL	3-4
Gen Ed-Social & Beh Sciences	EDU 201 Introduction to Education	CB, OL	3
Gen Ed-Laboratory Sciences		CB, OL	4

Second Semester: Spring

Requirement Category	Course(s)	Delivery*	Credits
Core Curriculum	ECE 160 Early Childhood Growth and Development	CB, OL	3
Gen Ed-Composition	ENG 102 English Composition	CB, OL	3
Gen Ed-Laboratory Sciences		CB, OL	4
Gen Ed-Social & Beh Sciences		CB, OL	3
Gen Ed-Humanities		CB, OL	3

Third Semester: Fall

Requirement Category	Course(s)	Delivery*	Credits
Core Curriculum	ECE 152 Effective Interactions	CB, OL	3
Core Curriculum or Elective	ECE 155 Children's Language Development OR Gen Ed - Elective	CB, OL	3
Core Curriculum	EDU 222 Introduction to Special Education	CB, OL	3
Core Curriculum	EDU 226 Cultural Diversity in Education	CB, OL	3
Core Curriculum	MAT 154 Mathematics for Elementary Education Majors I	CB, OL	3

Fourth Semester: Spring

Requirement Category	Course(s)	Delivery*	Credits
Core Curriculum or Elective	ECE 156 Children's Literature & Literacy OR ECE 165 Child Observation and Assessment OR Gen Ed Elective	CB, OL	3
Core Curriculum	ECE 170 Curriculum Development and Strategies for Early Childhood Education	CB, OL	3
Core Curriculum	MAT 156 Mathematics for Elementary Education Majors II	CB, OL	3
Gen Ed-Elective		CB, OL	3
Gen Ed-Arts		CB, OL	3

Total Credits Required: 62

*Key *CB = Campus-Based (In Person or Hybrid: Requires attendance at a physical location)*
 OL = Online (Synchronous, Asynchronous, or Online Combo)

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Notes:

- ECE 150 and EDU 201 are usually offered in both the fall and the spring semesters and are 16-week classes
- EDU 222 is only offered in 16-week semesters
- All other ECE classes are typically only offered once during the academic year in an eight-week semester aligned with what is noted above.
- Recommend students are employed in an early childhood care or education facility OR enrolled in EDU 224 Field Experience in Education.
- Students must complete **one** of the three Core Curriculum Classes: ECE 155, ECE 156, or ECE 165.
- Six (6) credits must be in Intensive Writing.
- MAT 142 is the recommended prerequisite for MAT 154 and MAT 156
- MAT 154 and MAT 156 may be taken in any order.
- Recommended for the Gen Ed-Arts: ART 120 Appreciation of the Visual Arts OR MUS 260 Music Fundamentals through Experience