

# EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION (AS.ECE)

## ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE

**Program Outcomes:** Upon successful completion of this program a student will be able to:

- plan and organize activities, providing a safe and healthy learning environment, for optimum development of all young children in groups of 12 to 24 children.
- assess and evaluate all children and learning environments to write reports according to state and federally mandated guidelines.
- work with families and their children to build respectful, supportive relationships for optimum growth and development of young children
- connect with community agencies and programs to support children, families, and the early education and care profession.

### Child Development Permit issued by the Commission on Teaching Credentialing (CTC) – Educational and Experience Day Requirements

Teacher Assistant	Requires any 6 ECE units
Associate Teacher	Requires 12 core ECE units (ECE 1, ECE 2, ECE 4, ECE 6) and 50 days of experience at 3+ hours per day (ECE 12 and 14 additional experience days)
Teacher	Requires 24 ECE units (including 12 core ECE units) plus 16 General Education units (a minimum of one course in each of these 4 areas: humanities and/or fine arts, social sciences, math and/or science, and English and/or language arts) and 175 days of experience at 3+ hours per day
Master Teacher	Teacher level permit requirements plus ECE 71, 350 days of experience at 3+ hours per day, and six ECE units from the following specializations:
Curriculum	Select 6 units from ECE 11, ECE 54
Infant/Toddler	Select 6 units from ECE 20, ECE 21
Special Needs	Select 6 units from ECE 26, ECE 27
Site Supervisor	Requires an AS with 24 ECE units, ECE 70A, ECE 70B, ECE 71 and 350 days of experience at 3+ hours per day, including at least 100 days of supervising adults
Program Director	Requires a BA with 24 ECE units, ECE 70A, ECE 70B, ECE 71 and Site Supervisor status with one program year of Site Supervisor experience

### Required Major Courses (25 units)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> ECE-1 – Principles and Practices of Teaching Young Children | 3.0 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ECE-2 – Child, Family, School & Community Relations         | 3.0 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ECE-4 – Introduction to Curriculum                          | 3.0 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ECE-6 – Child Growth and Development                        | 3.0 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ECE-10 – Observation and Assessment                         | 3.0 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ECE-53 – Teaching in a Diverse Society                      | 3.0 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ECE-19 – Health, Safety and Nutrition in Early Childhood    | 3.0 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ECE-12 – Practicum: Field Teaching Experience               | 4.0 |

### Major Electives (Complete 6 units)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> ECE-11 – Cognitive Activities and Materials                      | 3.0 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ECE-54 – Language and Early Literacy Curriculum                  | 3.0 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ECE-9 – Creative Expressions and play in Early Childhood         | 3.0 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ECE-20 – Infant and toddler Development                          | 3.0 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ECE-21 – Infant Toddler Group Care                               | 3.0 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ECE-26 – Children with Special Needs                             | 3.0 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ECE-27 – Principles and Practices in Guiding Children’s Behavior | 3.0 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ECE-70A – Administration I: Programs in ECE                      | 3.0 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ECE-70B – Advanced Administration II:                            | 3.0 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ECE-71 – Adult Supervision and Mentoring in ECE Settings         | 3.0 |

**SUBTOTAL: 31 UNITS**

**General Education – Required Courses - Students must complete one of the following General Education Plans:**

**HCCD GE** (see page 66)      **MAT-123** or higher

- Natural Sciences    Social & Behavioral Sciences    Humanities  
 Ethnic Groups in the US    Language and Rationality

**SUBTOTAL: 21 UNITS**

**Students can double-count required courses and courses for General Education**

**■ Electives (Courses Numbered 1-199) required when degree units plus GE units total fewer than 60.**

**TOTAL: 60 UNITS**