

EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION (ECE)

ECE102 Theory and Practicum II 3 credits (1 lec, 6 lab hrs/wk)

Prerequisite(s): (ECE150 and ECE151 and ECE209)

Second in a sequence that offers a weekly seminar with a supervised preschool practicum experience for future early childhood educators. (ECE209 is first in the sequence.) The various roles of the early childhood educator; observation/assessment; planning, implementing and assisting with various daily activities; and guidance techniques are included. Cognitive, language and physical development are emphasized. This course may be taken 1 time for credit.

Course classification: CTE

ECE150 Introduction and Observation ECE 3 credits (3 lec hrs/wk)

A beginning course focusing on the theoretical foundations, history and basic concepts of early childhood education. The value and usage of objective observations as a teaching tool are emphasized. This course focuses on an introduction to the education of infant-toddler, preschoolers, and children in Kindergarten through third grade. This course may be taken 1 time for credit.

Course classification: CTE

ECE151 Guidance and Classroom Management 3 credits (3 lec hrs/wk)

This introductory course introduces students to the principles of positive guidance. Emphasizes the role of the teacher and direct and indirect techniques for individual and group guidance and management. Topics include observing children, managing behavior, building prosocial behaviors and helping children develop positively in the social and emotional domains.

This course may be taken 1 time for credit.

Course classification: LDC

ECE152 Creative Activities in ECE 3 credits (3 lec hrs/wk)

A curriculum course focusing on understanding and implementing a development approach to creative activities as well as discussion on presentation and methods of evaluation. Specifically, this course teaches students how to develop art, math, science, music and movement activities and curriculum. Emphasis is on integrating curriculum across the teaching disciplines.

This course may be taken 1 time for credit.

Course classification: LDC

ECE154 Children's Language and Lit Dev 3 credits (3 lec hrs/wk)

This course gives the student an in-depth experience of studying and observing how children develop emerging literacy skills. Quality children's literature, a rationale for the purpose of such literature, ways to implement its use, and ways to evaluate its appropriateness for young children is also discussed.

This course may be taken 1 time for credit.

Course classification: LDC

ECE161 Infant and Toddler Practicum I 3 credits (1 lec, 6 lab hrs/wk)

This "hands-on" experience focuses on developing understandings of the developmental needs of the very young and the importance of providing appropriate stimulating environments with a focus on the teacher/caregiver as a component of the environment and how care and play are utilized to create quality learning environments.

This course may be taken 0 times for credit.

Course classification: CTE

ECE162 Infant and Toddler Practicum II 3 credits (1 lec, 6 lab hrs/wk)

This theoretical and "hands-on" Practicum II experience reinforces the student's understanding of the developmental needs of the very young and the importance of providing appropriate stimulating environments. Coursework focuses on developing foundational knowledge of high quality developmentally appropriate practice, observation/assessment and working in positive partnerships with parents.

This course may be taken 0 times for credit.

Course classification: CTE

ECE163 Preschool Practicum/Environments 3 credits (1 lec, 6 lab hrs/wk)

Prerequisite(s): (ECE102 and ECE209)

A preschool practicum experience designed to assist students in gaining experience working with young children in a laboratory preschool setting. Experiences in developing skills in establishing learning environments, observation/assessment, planning, implementing and evaluating curriculum, and materials appropriate for the young child are included. This course may be taken 1 time for credit.

Course classification: LDC

ECE170 Health and Safety Early Childhood 2 credits (2 lec hrs/wk)

Corequisite(s): (HDFS9284)

This course covers health/safety practices recommended for the early childhood field and includes information on common diseases and health problems. Students will learn how to teach health and safety to children in developmentally appropriate ways. First Aid and CPR Certification is required to pass this course.

This course may be taken 1 time for credit.

Course classification: LDC

ECE180 Internship: Early Childhood Ed 1-9 credits (3 lab hrs/wk/cr)

Practical on-site experience that will allow students to explore early childhood education in workplace environments and career options. This course may be taken 9 times for credit.

Course classification: LDC

ECE180HV Internship: ECE Home Visitor 1-3 credits (3 lab hrs/wk/cr)

Prerequisite(s): Instructor consent

Practical on-site experience that will allow students to explore early childhood education home visiting workplace environments and career options.

This course may be taken 9 times for credit.

Course classification: CTE

ECE209 Theory and Practicum I 3 credits (1 lec, 6 lab hrs/wk)

Prerequisite(s): (ECE150 and ECE151)

This course offers a weekly seminar with a supervised practicum experience for future early childhood educators. The various roles of early childhood educators, assisting with daily activities in a preschool program, observation/assessment, and guidance techniques are included in the course curriculum. This course focuses on children's social and emotional development.

This course may be taken 1 time for credit.

Course classification: CTE

ECE220 Teaching Outdoor Education 2 credits (2 lec hrs/wk)

This course focuses on the unique characteristics of teaching science to children- toddlers through elementary school ages- using the outdoors as the classroom. Theory and best practice are studied. Emphasis is on inquiry-based curriculum. Course delivery is Hybrid; face-to-face class time as well as online segments.

This course may be taken 1 time for credit.

Course classification: CTE

ECE240 Lesson and Curriculum Planning 3 credits (3 lec hrs/wk)

This course includes the information and tools needed to develop effective curriculum for activities in early childhood education classrooms. A focus on the whole child's needs, developmentally appropriate practice, play and multiple intelligences form the foundation of this course.

This course may be taken 1 time for credit.

Course classification: CTE

ECE261 Student Teaching I Early Child Ed 6 credits (2 lec, 12 lab hrs/wk)

Prerequisite(s): (ECE163)

A supervised teaching experience for students working with young children in an appropriate setting. Continued development of knowledge and skills in curriculum planning, observation/assessment, implementation of curriculum, and working with children and families are included.

This course may be taken 1 time for credit.

Course classification: CTE

ECE262 Student Teaching II Early Child Ed 6 credits (2 lec, 12 lab hrs/wk)

Prerequisite(s): (ECE163)

A continuation of supervised teaching experience for students working with young children in an appropriate setting. Continued development of knowledge and skills in curriculum planning, observation/assessment, implementation of curriculum, and working with children and families are included, along with a strong focus on higher level guidance techniques.

This course may be taken 1 time for credit.

Course classification: CTE

ECE280 CWE: Early Childhood Ed 1-9 credits (3 lab hrs/wk/cr)

Practical on-site experience that will allow students to explore early childhood education in workplace environments and career options. This course may be taken 9 times for credit.

Course classification: LDC

ECE280HV CWE: ECE Home Visitor 1-12 credits (3 lab hrs/wk/cr)

Prerequisite(s): Instructor consent

Practical on-site experience that will allow student to explore early childhood education home visiting workplace environments and career options.

This course may be taken 12 times for credit.

Course classification: LDC