

# EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

## *Associate of Applied Science*

The Associate of Applied Science in Early Childhood Education provides education and training for persons employed or entering the child care profession who will be working with infants through preschool children. The Associate of Applied Science degree, Technical Certificates, and Certificates of Proficiency are designed for employment purposes, and it should not be assumed that the degree or the courses in these programs can be transferred to another institution. While some institutions do accept some courses in A.A.S. programs, the general rule is that courses in A.A.S. degrees are not accepted in transfer toward bachelor's degrees unless that degree has been articulated with that specific institution. Students to whom transfer is important should get assurances in writing in advance from the institution to which they wish to transfer.

### **CURRICULUM – EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION (AAS)**

#### **1st Year – 1st Semester Credit Hours**

ECDE 1113	Intro to Early Childhood Development	3
ECDE 1123	Foundations of Early Childhood Education	3
DATA 1113	Fundamentals of Information Technology	3
ENGL 1113	Composition I	3
SOCI 1113	Introduction to Sociology	3
Total Semester Credit Hours		<b>15</b>

#### **1st Year – 2nd Semester Credit Hours**

ECDE 1213	Curriculum and Materials	3
ECDE 2243	Parenting*	3
ECDE 1223	Early Childhood Practicum I **	3
ECDE 1233	Health, Safety, and Nutrition	3
PSYC 1113	General Psychology	3
ENGL 1213	Composition II	3
Total Semester Credit Hours		<b>15</b>

#### **2nd Year – 1st Semester Credit Hours**

ECDE 2113	Language Arts for Children	3
ENGL 2213	World Literature I*	3
ECDE 2123	Early Childhood Practicum II	3
HIST 1113	Civilization through 16th Century	3
BIOL 2123	Environmental Science <b>OR</b> Earth Science	3/4
PSYC 2123	Developmental Psychology	3
4 Hour Physics, Chemistry, or Astronomy*		4
SOCI 2133	Cultural Diversity	3
COMM 2113	Oral Communication*	3
Total Semester Credit Hours		<b>18/19</b>

#### **2nd Year – 2nd Semester Credit Hours**

ECDE 2213	Special Education in the Preschool	3
BIOL 1124	Introduction to Biology*	3
ECDE 2223	Art and Music for Preschool Children	3
HIST 2113	US History thru 1865 or	
HIST 2123	US History since 1865*	3
ECDE 2233	Infants and Toddlers	3
PHIL 2113	Introduction to Philosophy*	3
SOCI 2123	Social Problems	3
MATH 1123	Business Math	3
MATH 1143	College Algebra*	3
Total Semester Credit Hours		<b>15</b>

**COMPLETION AWARD:** *Associate of Applied Science* **63-64**

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\*These classes are to be taken instead of the class immediately above it if the student desires to transfer to HSU to obtain a Bachelor's degree in Family Consumer Science with an emphasis in Early Childhood Education.

\*\*Students enrolled in this class and competing for the CDA credential must be working in a child development setting due to OJT hours required for the credential.

\*\*\*Students may take an additional course at the College which will transfer to HSU. This course is PHYS 1221 Life Fitness. The class is not listed above as there is no course in the present College degree plan in which it can be substituted.