

# ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE IN EARLY CHILDHOOD ASSOCIATE PRE-K

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This associate degree leads to Associate Licensure in Pre-Kindergarten Education. Graduates are qualified to teach in or manage licensed daycare and preschool programs, and they are eligible for *Associate Pre-kindergarten Teacher Licensure* after passing the Pre-k Praxis examination. Most of the coursework can be applied toward a bachelor's degree for Family and Consumer Science Instructor or Early Childhood Education. Within the framework of their required courses, students complete 300 hours of clinical/field work. This program normally requires four semesters of study averaging 15-18 hours per semester.

## Learning Outcomes

At the completion of the Pre-kindergarten program, graduates will be able to:

- Design and implement developmentally appropriate lessons.
- Involve families in learning.
- Assess a child's development in five developmental domains.
- Recognize and use ethical guidelines and professional standards related to early childhood practice.

For more information, visit **Early Childhood Associate Pre-K**.

COURSE	TITLE	S.H.
<b>General Education Requirements</b>		
<b>Basic Skills</b>		
ENGL 1550	Writing 1	3
ENGL 1551	Writing 2	3
CMST 1545	Communication Foundations	3
<b>First Year Experience Elective</b>		
A & H or NS Elective		
PSYC 1560	General Psychology	3
<b>Major Requirements</b>		
CHFM 1514	Introduction to Early Childhood Education	3
CHFM 1530	Infants and Toddlers: Development and Care	3
HMEC 1550	Human Ecology Professions	1
HEPE 2624	Physical Education for Children in Early Childhood Settings	3
SPED 2630	Individuals with Exceptionalities in Society	3
CHFM 2633	Early Childhood: Integrating Development and Education	3
CHFM 2650	Introduction to Assessment of Young Children	3
CHFM 2664	Managing Classroom Behavior and Staff Relationships in Early Childhood Settings	3
CHFM 2675	Integrated Curriculum for Prekindergarten	3
MUED 3722	Music in Early Childhood	3
CHFM 3733L	Practicum Preprimary Settings	3
ART 3737	Pre-K-4, Visual Arts Education	3
CHFM 3750	Parent and Professional Relationships	3
CHFM 3770	Wellness During the Early Childhood Years	3

CHFM 3790	Directed Practice in PreK Education	4
CHFM 3790S	Directed Practice Seminar	2
<b>Total Semester Hours</b>		<b>64</b>
<b>Course</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>S.H.</b>
<b>Year 1</b>		
<b>Fall</b>		
CHFM 1514	Introduction to Early Childhood Education	3
ENGL 1550	Writing 1	3
HMEC 1550	Human Ecology Professions	1
PSYC 1560	General Psychology	3
ART 3737	Pre-K-4, Visual Arts Education <sup>1</sup>	3
<b>Semester Hours</b>		<b>13</b>
<b>Spring</b>		
CHFM 1530	Infants and Toddlers: Development and Care	3
ENGL 1551	Writing 2	3
CHFM 2633	Early Childhood: Integrating Development and Education	3
PSYC 3755	Child Development	3
CHFM 3770	Wellness During the Early Childhood Years	3
<b>Semester Hours</b>		<b>15</b>
<b>Summer</b>		
CMST 1545	Communication Foundations <sup>2</sup>	3
Arts and Humanities Elective or HPES 2624		3
<b>Semester Hours</b>		<b>6</b>
<b>Year 2</b>		
<b>Fall</b>		
SPED 2631	Intervention Strategies with Special Needs Children in Early Childhood <sup>1</sup>	3
CHFM 2650	Introduction to Assessment of Young Children	3
CHFM 2675	Integrated Curriculum for Prekindergarten	3
CHFM 3733L	Practicum Preprimary Settings	3
CHFM 3750	Parent and Professional Relationships	3
<b>Semester Hours</b>		<b>15</b>
<b>Spring</b>		
CHFM 2664	Managing Classroom Behavior and Staff Relationships in Early Childhood Settings	3
MUED 3722	Music in Early Childhood	3
CHFM 3790	Directed Practice in PreK Education	4
CHFM 3790S	Directed Practice Seminar	2
<b>Semester Hours</b>		<b>12</b>
<b>Total Semester Hours</b>		<b>61</b>

<sup>1</sup> One or two of these courses may be included in any of the semesters: ART 3737 Pre-K-4, Visual Arts Education, MUED 3722 Music in Early Childhood, HPES 2625 Pedagogical Aspects of Exercise Science

<sup>2</sup> May add General Education Requirements listed as possible summer courses to any of the four semesters