Overview
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.

COURSE TITLE S.H.
FIRST YEAR REQUIREMENT - STUDENT SUCCESS
YSU 1500 Success Seminar 1-2
or SS 1500 Strong Start Success Seminar
or HONR 1500 Intro to Honors
General Education Requirements
ENGL 1550 Writing 1 3-4
or ENGL 1549 Writing 1 with Support
ENGL 1551 Writing 2 3
CMST 1545 Communication Foundations 3
MATH 2623 Quantitative Reasoning 3
A & H or NS Elective (one course must include a lab) 3
PSYC 1560 General Psychology 3
Major Requirements
HMEC 1550 Human Ecology Professions 1
CHFM 1514 Introduction to Early Childhood Education 3
CHFM 1530 Infants and Toddlers: Development and Care 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, Visual Arts Education 3
CHFM 3750 Parent and Professional Relationships 3
PSYC 3755 Child Development 3
CHFM 3770 Wellness During the Early Childhood Years 3
CHFM 3790 Directed Practice in PreK Education 4
CHFM 3790S Directed Practice Seminar 2
Total Semester Hours 65-67

Year 1
Fall S.H.
YSU 1500 Success Seminar 1
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, Visual Arts Education 3
Semester Hours 14
Spring
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
Semester Hours 15
Summer
CMST 1545 Communication Foundations 2 3
Arts and Humanities Elective 3
Semester Hours 6

Year 2
Fall
SPED 2631 Intervention Strategies with Special Needs Children in Early Childhood 1 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
Semester Hours 15
Spring
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
MATH 2623 Quantitative Reasoning 3
Semester Hours 15
Total Semester Hours 65

1 One or two of these courses may be included in any of the semesters: ART 3737 Pre-K, Visual Arts Education, MUED 3722 Music in Early Childhood.
2 May add General Education Requirements listed as possible summer courses to any of the four semesters

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.