

**ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE DEGREE (AAS)**

The Associate of Applied Science degree in Early Childhood Education, Preschool Education emphasis provides students with formal academic studies of entry-level skill development. Students will gain both theoretical and practical skills necessary to work in a preschool setting, family daycare or childcare center. Upon completion of this degree, students may elect to transfer credits towards upper-division studies and/or go directly into employment.

**STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES - Graduates of this program will have the opportunity to:**

- Demonstrate an understanding of the elements and dynamics of quality education and care for young children.
- Demonstrate appropriate skills for providing quality education and care for young children.
- Demonstrate appropriate skills for interacting with young children and their families.
- Distinguish typical and atypical development in school age children.
- Demonstrate appropriate skills in modifying the care and education of young children to allow for the appropriate inclusion of children with atypical development.

**GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS (25 Credits):**

	CR	SEMESTER
<b>COMMUNICATIONS:</b> BUS 108, COM 101, 102, 215, ENG 100, 101, 102, 107, 113, 114, 205, JOUR 102, THTR 105	3-5	_____
<b>ENGLISH:</b> ENG 100, 101, 107, 113	3-5	_____
<b>HUMAN RELATIONS:</b> ALS 101, ANTH 101, 112, 201, 205, HIST 105, 106, 107, 150, 151, 210, 247, 260, HMS 130, 135B, 265B, MGT 100B, 283, PHIL 135, PSC 201, PSY 101, 102, 207, 208, 261, SOC	3	_____
<b>MATHEMATICS:</b> MATH 120 or above (except MATH 122, 123)	3	_____
<b>SCIENCE:</b> AST, BIOL, CHEM, EGG 131, 132, ENV, GEOG 103, 104, 117, GEOL, HHP 123B, 124B, PHYS	6	_____
<b>FINE ARTS/HUMANITIES/ SOCIAL SCIENCES:</b> AM, ANTH, ART, COM, ECON, ENG 223 or above, GEOG 106 or above, HIST, International Languages, Music, PHIL, PSC, PSY, SOC, THTR, WMST 113	3	_____
<b>U.S. AND NEVADA CONSTITUTIONS:</b> PSC 101 or HIST 101 and HIST 102 or HIST 101 and HIST 217	4-6	_____

**SPECIAL PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS (41 Credits):**

	CR	SEMESTER
<b>ECE 122</b> Observation Skills	1	_____
<b>ECE 123</b> Health and Nutrition for Young Children	1	_____
<b>ECE 151</b> Math in the Preschool Curriculum	1	_____
<b>ECE 152</b> Science in the Preschool Curriculum	1	_____
<b>ECE 155</b> Literacy and the Young Child	1	_____
<b>ECE 156</b> Music in the Preschool Curriculum	1	_____
<b>ECE 157</b> Art in the Preschool Curriculum	1	_____
<b>ECE 158</b> Activities for Physical Development in Young Children	1	_____
<b>ECE 200</b> The Exceptional Child	3	_____
<b>ECE 202</b> Understanding Human Growth and Development	3	_____
<b>ECE 204</b> Principles of Child Guidance	3	_____
<b>ECE 231</b> Preschool Practicum	4	_____
<b>ECE 235</b> Adapting Curricula for Young Children with Special Needs	3	_____
<b>ECE 245</b> Practicum Seminar	2	_____
<b>ECE 250</b> Introduction to Early Childhood Education	3	_____
<b>ECE 251</b> Curriculum in Early Childhood Education	3	_____
<b>ECE 254</b> Applied Child Guidance	3	_____
<b>OR</b>		
<b>ECE 274</b> Individual Child and the Family		
<b>ECE 260</b> Children's Literature	3	_____
<b>ECE 273</b> Individual Child and Community	3	_____

**66**  
Total Credits

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Students may elect to graduate using the degree requirements in effect at the time of matriculation, or when they declared or changed major or the current catalog. If a program is official after a student has matriculated, the student may choose the degree requirements of the new program. In no case may a student use a catalog which is more than six years old at the time of graduation.