

ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE DEGREE (AAS)

This degree provides students both theoretical knowledge and practical skills necessary for educational work with children in daycare centers, preschools, elementary schools and children with special needs. This course work partially fulfills the requirements established by the “No Child Left Behind Act of 2001.” 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 while functioning as a classroom aide for school age children.
- Demonstrate appropriate skills for providing a quality educational environment for school age children.
- Demonstrate appropriate skills in interacting with school age children.
- Distinguish typical and atypical development in school age children.
- Demonstrate appropriate skills in modifying the educational setting for school age children to allow for the appropriate inclusion of school age children with atypical development.

GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS (25 Credits):

	CR	SEMESTER
COMMUNICATIONS: BUS 108, COM 101, 102, 215, ENG 100, 101, 102, 107, 113, 114, 205, JOUR 102, THTR 105	3-5	_____
ENGLISH: ENG 100, 101, 107, 113	3-5	_____
HUMAN RELATIONS: 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	_____
MATHEMATICS: MATH 120 or above (except MATH 122, 123)	3	_____
SCIENCE: AST, BIOL, CHEM, EGG 131, 132, ENV, GEOG 103, 104, 117, GEOL, HHP 123B, 124B, PHYS	6	_____
FINE ARTS/HUMANITIES/ SOCIAL SCIENCES: 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	_____
U.S. AND NEVADA CONSTITUTIONS: PSC 101 or HIST 101 and HIST 102 or HIST 101 and HIST 217	4-6	_____

SPECIAL PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS (40 Credits):

	CR	SEMESTER
ECE 122 Observation Skills	1	_____
ECE 155 Literacy and the Young Child	1	_____
ECE 157 Art in the Preschool Curriculum	1	_____

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	CR	SEMESTER
ECE 159 After School Activities	1	_____
ECE 200 The Exceptional Child OR EDU 203 Introduction to Special Education	3	_____
ECE 202 Understanding Human Growth and Development	3	_____
ECE 204 Principles of Child Guidance	3	_____
ECE 241 Practicum for Teacher Aides	4	_____
ECE 245 Practicum Seminar	2	_____
ECE 260 Children’s Literature	3	_____
EDU 201 Introduction to Elementary Education OR ECE 250 Introduction to Early Childhood Education	3	_____
EDU 210 Nevada School Law	2	_____
EDU 214 Preparing Teachers to Use Technology	3	_____
EDU 220 Principles of Educational Psychology OR ECE 274 Individual Child and Community AND ECE 138 Step Families	4	_____
ECE 280 Valuing Cultural Diversity	3	_____
IS 101 Introduction to Information Systems	3	_____

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Total Credits

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.