

Early Childhood Education Program

Associate in Applied Science Degree

For those seeking employment as paraprofessionals in early childhood settings, or for those who wish to upgrade their skills and competencies in early care/child development facilities.

Graduates should be able to:

- Understand the philosophy and theory of developmentally appropriate education.
- Work effectively with administration, staff, children and their parents in an early childhood setting through a supervised field experience.
- Know and follow the ethical guidelines presented by the National Association for the Education of Young Children.
- Participate in professional development activities.

General Education (27 credits)

CIS 101	Computer Concepts and Applications
EN 101	Composition I
EN 102	Composition II
ENS 106	Public Speaking
MA 101	College Math I
SC 102	Health and Nutrition
SO 203	Marriage and Family
PS 101	Introduction to Psychology
Diversity Course*	

Courses in Major (32 credits)

ECE 102	Creative Expression: Art, Music and Movement for Children
ECE 106	Practical Math and Science for Children
ECE 108	Group Care of Infants and Toddlers
ECE 200	Early Childhood Education in Contemporary America
ECE 201	Observing and Recording Children's Behavior
ECE 202	Supervised Field Work I
ECE 203	Supervised Field Work II
EN 209	Introduction to Children's Literature
PS 102	Human Growth and Development
PS 201	Child Psychology
Free Electives (5 credits)	

Sample Program

<i>First Semester</i>			<i>Third Semester</i>		
		<i>Credits</i>			<i>Credits</i>
CIS 101	Computer Concepts and Applications	3	ECE 200	ECE in Contemporary America	3
ECE 102	Creative Expression: Art, Music, and Movement for Children	3	ECE 202	Supervised Field Work I	4
EN 101	Composition I	3	EN 209	Introduction to Children's Literature	3
ENS 106	Public Speaking	3	PS 201	Child Psychology	3
MA 101	College Math I	3	SO 203	Marriage and Family	3
PS 101	Introduction to Psychology	3			16
		18			
<i>Second Semester</i>			<i>Fourth Semester</i>		
		<i>Credits</i>			<i>Credits</i>
ECE 106	Practical Math and Science for Children	3	ECE 201	Observing and Recording Children's Behavior	3
ECE 108	Group Care of Infants and Toddlers	3	ECE 203	Supervised Field Work II	4
EN 102	Composition II	3	Diversity Course*		3
PS 102	Human Growth and Development	3	Free electives		5
SC 102	Health and Nutrition	3			15
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			<i>Total Credits for degree</i>		64

*Students transferring to William Paterson University must take SO 102, Institutional Racism. All other students please see page for Diversity Course choices.