

# Associate of Science with Emphasis in Early Childhood Education

The Early Childhood Education associate of science degree program is for those students who currently are employed or aspire to work in early childhood care and education programs. Completion of JCCC's associate of science degree program provides students the credentials to advance in quality early childhood care and education settings. Credits may transfer to many Kansas universities. Excellent practical education opportunities are available to students in the program.

## Prerequisite

Students must meet the requirements for employment in early childhood care and education centers in Kansas (stated in the Kansas Licensing Regulations for Preschools and Child Care Centers).

## Associate of Science Degree

**Important:** Students graduating with an associate of science degree must complete an **approved cultural diversity** course. Some of the approved courses are able to meet both the cultural diversity requirement and a general education requirement. A list of **approved cultural diversity courses** can be found in the list of AS general education electives (<http://catalog.jccc.edu/degreerequirements/associate-science>).

(Major Code 2100; State CIP Code 19.0708)

- Early Childhood Education (<http://www.jccc.edu/academics/education/early-childhood>)

### First Semester

EDUC 130	Foundations of Early Childhood Education*	3
ENGL 121	Composition I*	3
PSYC 130	Introduction to Psychology	3
SPD 121	Public Speaking	3
or SPD 120	Interpersonal Communication	
Note: SPD 121 is recommended		
MATH 171	College Algebra* (or higher)	3
EDUC 220	Survey of the Exceptional Child*	3

**Total Hours** **18**

### Second Semester

ENGL 122	Composition II*	3
EDUC 131	Early Childhood Curriculum I*	3
EDUC 250	Child Health, Safety and Nutrition*	3
PSYC 215	Child Development*	3
Humanities Elective ^		3
Health/Physical Education Elective ^		1-2

**Recommended HPER course if not certified in CPR: HPER 200 First Aid and CPR**

**Total Hours** **16-17**

^ See all AS general education electives (<http://catalog.jccc.edu/degreerequirements/associate-science>)

### Third Semester

EDUC 231	Early Childhood Curriculum II*	3
EDUC 210	Creative Experiences for Young Children*	3
EDUC 260	Observing and Interacting with Young Children*	3
ANTH 130	World Cultures	3
or ANTH 125	Cultural Anthropology	
or SOC 131	Sociology of Families	

NOTE: ANTH 130 and ANTH 125 meets Cultural Diversity requirement

Science course with Lab ^	4
<b>Total Hours</b>	<b>16</b>

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### Fourth Semester

EDUC 234	Families in Society*	3
EDUC 285	Student Teaching: Early Childhood Education*	3
Humanities Elective ^		3
Science or Math Electives ^		5
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>14</b>

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**Total Program Hours: 64-65**