

# 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 24.0101)

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

### First Semester

EDUC 130	Foundations of Early Childhood Education*	3
EDUC 131	Early Childhood Curriculum I*	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		
Total Hours		15

### Second Semester

EDUC 231	Early Childhood Curriculum II	3
EDUC 250	Child Health, Safety and Nutrition*	3
PSYC 215	Child Development*	3
ENGL 122	Composition II*	3
Science course with Lab^		4
Note: BIOL 130 and BIOL 131 are recommended		
Total Hours		16

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

### Third Semester

EDUC 210	Creative Experiences for Young Children*	3
EDUC 260	Observing and Interacting with Young Children*	3
Humanities Elective^		3
Note: FL 230, ARTH 180, ARTH 184, or ARTH 188 are recommended		
ARTH 180 meets Cultural Diversity		
Science or Math Electives^		5
Note: GEOS 130 is recommended		
MATH 171	College Algebra*	3
Total Hours		17

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## Fourth Semester

EDUC 220	Survey of the Exceptional Child*	3
EDUC 234	Families in Society*	3
EDUC 285	Student Teaching: Early Childhood Education*	3
Social Science/Economics Elective^		3
Note: ANTH 130 or ANTH 125 or SOC 125 are recommended		
ANTH 130 and ANTH 125 meets Cultural Diversity requirement		
Humanities Elective ^		3
Note: FL 231 or MUS 121 are recommended		
Total Hours		15

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**Total Program Hours: 63**