

Early Childhood Education/Teacher Associate Concentration (A5522B)

Official Program Description registered with the NC Community College System:

Teacher Associate is a concentration under the curriculum title of Early Childhood Education. This curriculum prepares individuals to work with children from infancy through middle childhood in diverse learning environments. Students will combine learned theories with practice in actual settings with young children under the supervision of qualified teachers.

Coursework includes childhood growth and development, physical/nutritional needs of children, care and guidance of children, and communication skills with parents and children. Students will foster the cognitive/language, physical/motor, social/emotional, and creative development of young children.

Graduates are prepared to plan and implement developmentally appropriate programs in early childhood settings. Employment opportunities include child development and child care programs, preschools, public and private schools, recreational centers, Head Start Programs, and school age programs.

Program Learning Outcomes

Upon successful completion of the Early Childhood Education/Teacher Associate program, the student will be able to:

- Apply selected theories and concepts of child development to the education of young children.
- Plan and implement developmentally appropriate experiences that stimulate children's development and learning.
- Provide an optimal learning environment for young children.
- Establish and maintain a safe and healthy environment for young children.
- Provide positive guidance young children.
- Communicate effectively with children, co-workers, and parents.

Degree Awarded

The Associate in Applied Science Degree - Early Childhood Education/Teacher Associate is awarded by the College upon completion of this program.

Note

Upon successful completion of EDU 119, the student is qualified to receive the North Carolina Child Care Credential.

For More Information

The Early Childhood Education/Teacher Associate program is in the Allied Health and Public Services Division. For more information call (919) 735-5151, ext. 6794, or visit us at our web site at <http://www.waynecc.edu>.

Admissions

- A high school diploma or equivalent is required.
- A placement test in English, mathematics, reading and computer skills are required to determine entry-level courses that match individual needs.

- Students selecting a science course must also meet the requirements for MAT 070 through the placement test or course completion prior to receiving a degree.

First Step to Enroll:

Call the Admissions and Records Office at (919) 735-5151, ext. 6720.

Contact Semester

Hours		Credit Hours
FIRST SEMESTER		
ACA 111	College Student Success.....	1 1
ENG 111	Expository Writing.....	3 3
EDU 119	Intro to Early Child Educ.....	4 4
EDU 144	Child Development I.....	3 3
EDU 131	Child, Family, and Community.	3 3

EDU 186	Reading and Writing Methods..	3	3
			17

SECOND SEMESTER

COE 111	Co-op Work Experience I.....	10	1
EDU 118	Teacher Associate Principles and Practices.....	3	3
EDU 145	Child Development II.....	3	3
EDU 146	Child Guidance.....	3	3
EDU 153	Health Safety and Nutrition.....	3	3
ENG 114	Professional Research and Reporting.....	3	3
			16

SUMMER TERM

EDU 151	Creative Activities.....	3	3
EDU 221	Children with Exceptional.....	3	3
			6

THIRD SEMESTER

CIS 110	Introduction to Computers.....	4	3
EDU 257	Math Methods and Materials ...	4	3
EDU 271	Educational Technology.....	4	3
EDU 275	Effective Teaching Training.....	2	2
	* MAT/Nat Science Elective.....	4-6	3-4
	Social/Behavioral Sci Elective .	3	3
			17-18

FOURTH SEMESTER

COE 121	Cooperative Work Experience II	10	1
EDU 235	School-Age Child Development and Programs.....	2	2
EDU 256	Science & Soc Studies Methods	5	4
EDU 280	Language and Literacy Exp.....	3	3
EDU 285	Internship Exp. School-Age.....	1	1
	Humanities/Fine Art Elective....	3	3
			14

Total Credit Hours 70-71

*MAT and Natural Science Requirement

Students must demonstrate competency in Math Skills by attaining minimally acceptable scores on the ASSET or COMPASS placement test or course completion as follows.

1. ASSET Numerical >41 AND either ASSET Elementary Algebra >41 or ASSET Intermediate Algebra >36;
2. or COMPASS Algebra >35;
3. or completion of MAT 070 with a grade of C or better.

Students then may choose either a higher level math course or a science course from the list below.

MAT 110	Mathematical Measurement
MAT 115	Mathematical Models
MAT 141	Mathematical Concepts I
BIO 110	Principles of Biology
BIO 111	General Biology I
CHM 151	General Chemistry I