Early Childhood Education, A.S.

Individuals who earn an Associate Degree In Early Childhood Education are prepared to teach preschool in private and corporate centers, Head Start, and public education tuition preschools, or work as center directors. The Associate Degree in Early Childhood can be planned to fill the majority of the requirements for entry into the Elementary Education Program. The UVU Early Childhood Education program is accredited by the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities. The UVU Teacher Education Preschool is accredited by the National Association for the Education of Young Children.

Program Requirements

Code	Title	Credit Hours
Total Credit Hours		**60**
General Education Requirements		**35 Credits**
ENGL 1010	Introduction to Academic Writing CC	3
or ENGH 1005	Literacies and Composition Across Contexts CC	
ENGL 2010	Intermediate Academic Writing CC	3
Complete one of the following:		3
MAT 1030	Quantitative Reasoning QL (3)	
MAT 1035	Quantitative Reasoning with Integrated Algebra QL (6)	
MATH 1050	College Algebra QL (4)	
MATH 1055	College Algebra with Preliminaries QL (5)	
MATH 2000	Algebraic Reasoning with Modeling QL (undefined)	
STAT 1040	Introduction to Statistics QL (3)	
STAT 1045	Introduction to Statistics with Algebra QL (5)	
Complete one of the following:		3
HIST 2700 & HIST 2710	US History to 1877 AS and US History since 1877 AS (6)	
HIST 1700	American Civilization AS (3)	
HIST 1740	US Economic History AS (3)	
POLS 1000	American Heritage AS (3)	
POLS 1100	American National Government AS (3)	
Complete the following:		
PHIL 2050	Ethics and Values IH	3
HLSC 2900	Health Education for Elementary Teachers	2
Distribution Courses		
Biology		3
Physical Science		3
Additional Biology or Physical Science		3
Humanities		3
Fine Arts		3
PSY 1100	Human Development Life Span SS ("C" grade or higher)	3
Discipline Core Requirements		**25 Credits**
EDEC 1640	Childrens Music and Movement	2
EDEL 2200	Introduction to Educational Technology	2
EDEC 2300	Including Young Diverse Learners	2
EDEC 2500	Child Development Birth to Eight Years	3
EDEC 2600	Introduction to Early Childhood Education	2
EDEC 2610	Child Guidance	3
EDEC 2620	Early Childhood Curriculum	3
EDEC 2630	Literacy and Literature for Early Childhood	3

EDEC 2700	Early Childhood Practicum	3
EDEC 2720	Early Childhood Assessment	2

Graduation Requirements

1. Completion of a minimum of 60 semester credits.
2. Overall grade point average of 2.0 (C) or above. C- grade or higher in all program classes unless otherwise specified.
3. Residency hours -- minimum of 20 credit hours through course attendance at UVU.
4. Completion of GE and specified departmental requirements.
5. First aid/CPR certification, food handler's permit, portfolio review and acceptance by Education Committee

Graduation Plan

This graduation plan is a sample plan and is intended to be a guide. Your specific plan may differ based on your Math and English placement and/or transfer credits applied. You are encouraged to meet with an advisor and set up an individualized graduation plan in Wolverine Track (http://www.uvu.edu/wolverinetrack/).

First Year		
Semester 1		**Credit Hours**
ENGL 1010 or ENGH 1005	Introduction to Academic Writing CC or Literacies and Composition Across Contexts CC	3
Complete one of the following:		3
MAT 1030	Quantitative Reasoning QL	
MAT 1035	Quantitative Reasoning with Integrated Algebra QL	
STAT 1040	Introduction to Statistics QL	
STAT 1045	Introduction to Statistics with Algebra QL	
MATH 1050	College Algebra QL	
MATH 1055	College Algebra with Preliminaries QL	
MATH 2000	Algebraic Reasoning with Modeling QL	
PSY 1100	Human Development Life Span SS	3
EDEL 2200	Introduction to Educational Technology	2
Humanities Distribution		3
	Credit Hours	**14**
Semester 2		
ENGL 2010	Intermediate Academic Writing CC	3
EDEC 2600	Introduction to Early Childhood Education	2
EDEC 2630	Literacy and Literature for Early Childhood	3
American Institutions		3
Physical Science Distribution		3
	Credit Hours	**14**
Second Year		
Semester 3		
Biology Distribution		3
HLSC 2900	Health Education for Elementary Teachers	2
Fine Arts Distribution		3
EDEC 2300	Including Young Diverse Learners	2
EDEC 2500	Child Development Birth to Eight Years	3
EDEC 2610	Child Guidance	3
	Credit Hours	**16**
Semester 4		
3rd Science Distribution		3
PHIL 2050	Ethics and Values IH	3
EDEC 1640	Childrens Music and Movement	2
EDEC 2620	Early Childhood Curriculum	3
EDEC 2700	Early Childhood Practicum	3
EDEC 2720	Early Childhood Assessment	2
	Credit Hours	**16**
	Total Credit Hours	**60**

Program Learning Outcomes

1. Program graduates identify and conduct themselves as members of the early childhood profession.
2. Program graduates understand that successful early childhood education depends upon partnerships with children's families and communities.
3. Program graduates understand that child observation, documentation, and other forms of assessment are central to the practice of all early childhood professionals.
4. Program graduates are grounded in a child development knowledge base.
5. Program graduates use their knowledge of academic disciplines to design, implement, and evaluateexperiences that promote positive development and learning for each and every young child.
6. Program graduates understand that teaching and learning with young children is a complex enterprise, and its details vary depending on children's ages, characteristics, and the settings within which teaching and learning occur.