Early Childhood Education, AAS

Program Description

The FSHD Department offers an AAS degree in Early Childhood Education as well an AA/AS. The AAS requires fewer GE classes. All classes for this degree are offered online except for a required science class. Experience both academic theory and hands-on application through a series of classes, lab experiences and practicum to develop an understanding of physical, social, emotional, and cognitive development of young children and acquire skill in planning and implementing programs that promote development. The program prepares you to work in a variety of early childhood education settings including child care centers, nursery schools, Head Start programs, school-age child care programs, and family day care homes. The Early Childhood Education AAS/AS/AA degree prepares students for employment as teachers in childhood programs and para-professionals in public school preschools. This degree can also prepare you to move into an Elementary Education Bachelors Degree.

Program Curriculum

63 credits

Code	Title	Hours
General Education Requirements		
ENGL 1010	Introduction to Writing (EN)	3
or ENGL 1010D	Introduction to Writing (EN)	
ENGL 2010	Interm Writing Selected Topics: (EN)	3
Complete one of the following Mathematics GE courses:		
MATH 1030	Quantitative Reasoning (MA)	3-4
or MATH 1040	Introduction to Statistics (MA)	
or MATH 1050	College Algebra / Pre-Calculus (MA)	
Complete the following:		
FSHD 1020	Sci Foundations of Nutrition (LS)	3
Complete one of the following Social & Behavioral Sciences GE courses		
FSHD 1500	Human Development Lifespan (SS, GC)	3
or PSY 1100	Human Development Through Lifespan (SS, GC)	

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Core Discipline Requirements		
EDUC 2010	Intro to Exceptional Learners	3
EDUC 2400	Foundations Multicultural/ESL (SS, GC, ALCI)	3
FSHD 2120	Infant and Child Nutrition	3
FSHD 2180	Partnering With Parents	2
FSHD 2500	Child Devel - Birth to Eight	3
FSHD 2600	Intro to Early Childhood Educ	3
FSHD 2610	Child Guidance Based on Developmental Theory	3
FSHD 2620	Designing Integrated Curriculum with Play	3
FSHD 2630	Literacy and Literature for Early Childhood	3
FSHD 2880	Practicum Early Childhood Educ	3
Elective Courses		
Complete 15 - 24 credits of electives		
Recommended electives:		
FSHD 2400	Family Relationships (SS, GC)	3
BUS 1010	Introduction to Business	3
XSCI 1543	First Aid / Resp Emergencies	3
EDUC 1010	Foundations/Intro to Education	3

Graduation Requirements

1. Complete a minimum of 63 college-level credits (1000 and above)
2. Complete at least 20 semester hours of credits at Utah Tech for institutional residency.
3. Cumulative GPA of 2.75 or higher.
4. All Core Discipline Required Courses must be completed with a C- or higher.