

EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION MAJOR A.A.S.

Education

Associate of Applied Science

Motlow State Community College, as part of the Tennessee Board of Regents' early childhood initiative, offers courses leading to the Associate of Applied Science in Early Childhood Education. The purpose of this major is to create a Head Start statewide early childhood academic degree and professional/career development model that support the Head Start Reauthorization Act degree requirements for Head Start teachers/staff. This initiative builds on the established Tennessee Early Childhood Training Alliance (TECTA) model. The academic coursework and clinical practicum's prepare students for CDA (Child Development Associate) assessment and credentialing. The major is not limited to Head Start personnel but is open to all persons, including paraprofessionals, wishing to gain professional expertise in the education and care of children from infant through age eight.

GENERAL EDUCATION (15 credit hours)

- ENGL 1010 - English Composition I
- MATH 1410 - Number Concepts for Elementary Education
- MUSA 1030 - Music Appreciation
- PSYC 1030 - General Psychology
- SPCH 1010 - Fundamentals of Speech

CONCENTRATION REQUIREMENTS (45 credit hours)

- BIOL 1030 - Introduction to Biology
- ECED 1010 - Introduction to Early Childhood Education
- ECED 2010 - Safe, Healthy, Learning Environments
- ECED 2015 - Early Childhood Curriculum
- ECED 2020 - Infant, Toddler, Child Development
- ECED 2040 - Family Dynamics and Community Involvement
- ECED 2060 - Development of Exceptional Children
- ECED 2070 - Developmental Assessment
- ECED 2080 - Language and Literacy in Early Childhood
- ECED 2085 - Math and Science in Early Childhood
- ECED 2130 - Initial Practicum I
- ECED 2160 - Final Practicum

One of the following:

- ECED 2030 - Infant and Toddler Care
- ECED 2050 - Psychomotor Development
- ECED 2090 - Creative Development
- ECED 2100 - The Mentoring Teacher
- ECED 2110 - Advanced Learning Environments
- ECED 2120 - Administration of Child Care Centers

Two of the following:

- ENGL 1020 - English Composition II
- GEOG 2010 - World Regional Geography
- HIST 2010 - Survey of American History I
- HIST 2020 - Survey of American History II
- HPE 2100 - Principles of Elementary Nutrition
- SOCI 1010 - Introduction to Sociology

Semester Hours Credit: 60