Associate in Arts
EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION
The Early Childhood Education program prepares students for careers in working with children in early learning and care programs, Head Start, preschools, childcare centers & homes. Competencies are developed for lead teacher, program assistant, and director positions. This degree aligns with Step 9 on the Washington State Career Lattice for Early Care and Education Professionals.

CORE REQUIREMENTS

Course ID	*Course Title*	*Credits*
ART 155	Art for Children	3
ECED& 105	Introduction to Early Childhood Education (HR)	5
ECED& 107	Health/Safety/Nutrition	5
ECED& 160	Curriculum Development	5
ECED& 170	Environments- Young Child	3
ECED& 180	Language / Literacy Development	3
ECED& 190	Observation / Assessment	3
ECED 220	Music & Movement	3
ECED 236	Math & Science	3
EDUC& 115	Child Development	5
EDUC& 130	Guiding Behavior (HR)	3
EDUC& 150	Child/ Family/ Community (HR)	3
EDUC& 204	Exceptional Child	5
EDUC 250	Professionalism in the Workplace	2
EDUC 280	Instructional Technology	3
Field Elective	Any ECED or EDUC Course	2
	Total	**56**

RELATED INSTRUCTION*/GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS

Course ID	*Course Title*	*Credits*
ENGL& 101	English Composition I (CM)	5
CMST& 101 **or** CMST& 210	Introduction to Communication (CM) Interpersonal Communication (CM)	3-5
MATH **or**	Any MATH course above 100 (CP) Any course designated “Q/SR”	5
PSYC& 100	General Psychology (HR)	5
HUMANITIES	Any course designated “H”	5
SCIENCE LAB	Any course designated “MSI”	5
	Total	**28-30**

COOPERATIVE WORK EXPERIENCE

Course ID	*Course Title*	*Credits*
ECED& 120	Practicum – Nurturing Relationships	2
CO-OP 290	ECED Cooperative Education/Internship	4-5
	Total	6-7
	TOTAL CREDITS	90-93

Students should plan to complete required English and math courses within their first 30 credits of study.
** CM = Communication, HR = Human Relations, CP = Computation*

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