

Early Childhood Education • Associate of Arts

This program prepares students to become a productive, caring and responsible teacher. Classes emphasize child development skills in the areas of language, social, emotional, cognitive, and physical development. Classes also focus on cultural diversity among children. Students will become familiar with theories concerning child development and ECE, and will participate in many group discussions and hands-on activities that they can apply in the preschool classroom.

Career Information

The ECE program prepares you for a career in teaching children (birth to age 5). The program can also prepare you to become an Early Childhood Teacher or director in the field of Early Childhood Education

Course Map. Where students have options, recommended courses appear (in brackets).

Fall 1/ First Semester ~15 credit hours	
ENG 121 MAT 120 ECE 101 GEO 105 Arts and Humanities(ART 110, MUS 120, THE 105)	<u>Milestones:</u> Complete one ENG course with C or higher Complete all ECE courses with C or higher Maintain at least 2.0 GPA
Spring 1/ Second Semester ~15 credit hours	
ENG 122 ECE 102 ECE 103 PSY 101 Arts and Humanities(LIT 115, or LIT 255)	<u>Milestones:</u> Complete all ENG and MAT requirements with C or higher Complete all ECE courses with C or higher Complete scholarship applications early! Start visiting Transfer schools
Fall 2/ Third Semester ~15 credit hours	
SCI 155 ECE 220 ECE 238 History (HIS 121 or HIS 122)	<u>Milestones:</u> Submit Graduation Planning Sheet! Complete all ECE courses with C or higher Apply for admission at Transfer school(s) Maintain at least 2.0 GPA
Spring 2/ Final Semester ~15 credit hours	
SCI 156 ECE 256 Elective (Nine credits determined by the receiving 4-year institution) Elective (Nine credits determined by the receiving 4-year institution) Elective (Nine credits determined by the receiving 4-year institution)	<u>Milestones:</u> Maintain at least 2.0 GPA Complete scholarship applications early! Reach out to department chair/faculty advisor at Transfer school

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Valid for school year

2018/2019

Sample Schedules (recommended requirements and electives used as an example)

Full time 2 years

Fall 1	Credits 16	Spring 1	Credits 15
ENG 121	3	ENG 122	3
MAT 120	4	ECE 102	3
ECE 101	3	ECE 103	3
GEO 105	3	PSY 101	3
ART 110	3	LIT 255	3
Fall 2	Credits 13	Spring 2	Credits 16
SCI 155	3	SCI 156	4
ECE 220	4	ECE 256	3
ECE 238	3	MAT 135	3
HIS 121	3	PSY 235	3
		ECE 205	3

Part time 3 years (requires summer semesters and two semesters with 3 courses)

Fall 1	Credits 6	Spring 1	Credits 6	Summer 1	Credits 6
ENG 121	3	ENG 122	3	ART 110	3
ECE 101	3	ECE 102	3	GEO 105	3
Fall 2	Credits 7	Spring 2	Credits 9	Summer 2	Credits 6
MAT 120	4	ECE 103	3	PSY 101	3
ECE 220	3	ECE 205	3	MAT 135	3
		LIT 255	3		
Fall 3	Credits 7	Spring 3	Credits 7	Summer 3	Credits 6
SCI 155	4	SCI 156	4	HIS 121	3
ECE 238	3	ECE 256	3	PSY 235	3

Degree Transfer

This degree transfers to the following Colorado Public Four-Year institutions of higher education:

- University of Colorado, Denver (B.A. Teaching, Learning, and Development - Early Childhood)
- Adams State University (B.A. Interdisciplinary Studies with Elementary Education Licensure)
- Colorado State University-Fort Collins (B.S. Early Childhood Education)
- Fort Lewis College (B.A. Early Childhood Education)
- Metropolitan State University of Denver (B.A. Early Childhood Education)
- University of Northern Colorado (B.A. Early Childhood Teacher Education)