

# EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION



(Birth to Grade 2) Toward a Bachelor of Science Degree

Minimum 62 hours

**Transfer Curriculum • Associate in Arts Degree • Minimum 2.0 OGPA • Major Code: DAA**

This curriculum is designed for transfer to four year institutions for this major. Consult the website of the four year institution where you plan to transfer, regarding specific course needs, requirements and deadlines.

## FIRST YEAR

Fall Semester		Credit Hrs
ENG 121	Rhetoric & Composition I	3
BIOL 121	Introductory Biology	4
HIST 121	History of Western Civilization	3
EDUC 228	Diversity in School and Society	3
MATH 128	College Algebra	4
Total Hours		17

Spring Semester		Credit Hrs
ENG 122	Rhetoric & Composition II	3
PSYC 121	Introduction to Psychology	3
MUS 121 or THTR 121	Music Appreciation Introduction to Theater	3
CHEM 123	Basic Inorg/Org Chemistry	4
EDUC 241	Educational Psychology	3
Total Hours		16

## SECOND YEAR

Fall Semester		Credit Hrs
<b>HUMANITIES</b> (See Below)		3
COM 121	Principles of Speaking	3
MATH 204	Algebraic & Arithmetic Systems	4
BIOL 141	Environmental Science	4
HYG 121	Science of Personal Health	3
Total Hours		17

Spring Semester		Credit Hrs
<b>HUMANITIES</b> (See Below)		3
MATH 205	Geometry for Elementary Teachers	4
PHYS 121	Basic Physics	4
HIST 242	American History II	3
Total Hours		14

The bolded classes on this curriculum guide indicate the minimum a student must complete in order to receive an Associate degree. See advisor for specific transfer information.

**HUMANITIES AND FINE ARTS: 6 semester hours.** At least one course must be taken from each area. (3 courses)

**Area 1**

- \_\_\_ COM 128-3 (F2 908) Film Appreciation
- \_\_\_ MUS 121-3 (F1 900) Music Appreciation
- \_\_\_ MUS 126-3 (F1 904) Intro to American Music
- \_\_\_ THTR 121-3 (F1 907) Introduction to Theater

**Area 2**

- \_\_\_ ENG 243-3 (H3 902) Introduction to Drama
- \_\_\_ ENG 245-3 (H3 906) World Literature
- \_\_\_ ENG 246-3 (H3 907) Modern Literature
- \_\_\_ ENG 261-3 (H3 914) American Literature I
- \_\_\_ ENG 262-3 (H3 915) American Literature II

- \_\_\_ PHIL 121-3 (H4 900) Intro to Philosophy
- \_\_\_ PHIL 122-3 (H4 906) Fundamentals of Logic
- \_\_\_ PHIL 221-3 (H4 904) Fundamentals of Ethics
- \_\_\_ PHIL 224-3 (H5 904N) Comparative Religions

**ALL EDUCATION MAJORS** should apply to the 4-year College or University up to one year before they plan to attend. (For example: a student should apply during the Fall Semester before the plan to attend the next Fall Semester) and are advised to take the Test of Academic Proficiency (TAP) or ACT the fall semester of their sophomore year.

**ALL EDUCATION MAJORS TRANSFERRING TO ILLINOIS SCHOOLS**

- Must earn a C or better in all courses in their major, endorsement area(s), and all Education courses
- Must accrue 12 or more hours at the 300 or 400 level at a four-year institution.
- Must pass the Content Test before student teaching. The Assessment of Professional Teaching (APT) must be passed before finishing an approved program.
- A background check is required before observing any early childhood program and/or school. Students may not enter any school or ECE program until the Coordinator of Education and Early Childhood Education has a Background Check on file.
- Must research the Teacher Education Program Entrance Requirements for the college or university where he/she plans to obtain his/her Bachelor of Science Degree for any additional requirements.

The Coordinator of Education and Early Childhood Education will provide information on when and where the Illinois Teacher Licensure exams are given.

**Career Opportunities:**

Head Start Teacher, Preschool Teacher, Elementary Teacher (Kindergarten – Grade 2).

**Major Employers:**

Public Schools, Private Schools, Pre-Schools, Nursery Schools, Government Agencies.