

B.A. Blended Early Childhood Education

Early Childhood Education Program

The goal of the Early Childhood Education Program is to prepare professionals who have the necessary knowledge, dispositions, and abilities to:

1. Enhance learning and development of young children, with and without disabilities, between the ages of birth and third grade.
2. Establish collaborative relationships with families and other professionals in ways that produce outcomes for young children.
3. View their own professional development as a lifelong endeavor.
4. Advocate for children, families, and the early childhood profession.

The Baccalaureate degree in the Early Childhood Education program is designed to further prepare Early Childhood Education professionals holding either an Associate of Arts (A.A.), Associate of Applied Science (A.A.S.), or Associate of Science (A.S.) in the field of early childhood education. Early Childhood Education is the study and education of young children from birth through third grade.

Candidates holding an Associate's degree in Early Childhood Education pursue a Blended Early Childhood Education/Early Childhood Special Education Certificate. This degree program is competency/field-based and allows candidates the opportunity to apply course work instruction to practical experiences in approved early childhood education centers and private/public school settings for children with or without disabilities.

Candidates interested in pursuing the Blended Early Childhood Education degree are advised to contact the Advising Coordinator in the COE Student Advising Center for general information and program advisement.

Summary of Requirements for a Bachelor of Arts degree in Blended Early Childhood Education

1. Completion of an Associate's Degree in Early Childhood Education from an accredited institution of higher learning. NOTE: Those holding the A.A.S. should check with the Advising Coordinator in the COE Student Advising Center to determine whether additional general education credits are required for graduation.
2. Completion of a major in Early Childhood Education at the Associate level including required education and special education coursework for the Early Childhood Education major.

Required coursework:

Code	Title	Credits
EDUC 2204	Families Community Culture (Satisfies General Education Objective 9) ¹	3
EDUC 3302	Motivation and Management	3
EDUC 3308	Foundations of Educational Knowledge, Planning, and Assessment	3
EDUC 3311	Instructional Technology	3
EDUC 3321	Integrated Language Arts Methods	3
EDUC 3322	Literature for Children across the Curriculum	3
EDUC 3331	Science Methods for Teachers	3
EDUC 4408	Pre-Internship Field Experience Seminar	3
EDUC 4419	Developmental Literacy	3

EDUC 4493	Student Teaching	12
EDMT 2270	Teaching K-8 Mathematics I	3
EDMT 2271	Teaching K-8 Mathematics II	3
EDMT 3370	Mathematics Methods I	3
SPED 3330	The Exceptional Child	3
SPED 4424	Assessment Procedures in Special Education	3
SPED 4429	Teaching Students with Significant and Multiple Disabilities	3
SPED 4443	Teaching Students with Autism Spectrum Disorder	3

¹ or equivalent

Major Academic Plan (MAP) (<https://www.isu.edu/advising/maps/>)