EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT

Associate of Applied Science Degree

AL, LO, MA

Purpose: The curriculum is designed for persons who seek employment involving the care and education of young children, or for those persons presently employed in these situations who wish to update and enhance their competencies. Occupational opportunities include program leaders, supervisors, and/or directors in child development programs.

Completion Requirements: Valid First Aid and CPR Certificates must be presented at the time of completion of all course requirements in order to receive this AAS Degree.

Two Years 1st Semester		Credits
CHD	118 Language Arts for Young Children	3
CHD	120 Intro to Early Childhood Education	3
CHD	145 Teaching Art, Music and Movement to Children	3
ENG	111 College Composition I	3 3
PSY	235 Child Psychology Elective	
SDV	Total	<u>1</u> 16
	Total	10
2nd Semester		
CHD	117 Introduction to Reading Methods	3
CHD	165 Observation/Participation/Early Childhood/Primary Settings	3
CHD	166 Infant and Toddler Programs	3
CHD	205 Guiding the Behavior of Children	3
ENG	112 College Composition II	3
MTH	151 Math for Liberal Arts I	3 3 3 <u>3</u> 18
	Total	18
3rd Semester		
CHD	146 Math, Science, Social Studies for Children	3
CHD	210 Introduction to Exceptional Children	3
CHD	215 Models of Early Childhood Education Programs	3
CHD	216 Early Childhood Programs, School and Social Change	3
EDU	235 Health, Safety, and Nutrition Education	3
1	Humanities/Fine Arts elective	<u>3</u> 18
	Total	18
4th Semester		
CHD	265 Adv. Observation/Participation/Early Childhood/Primary Settings	3
CHD	270 Administration of Child Care Programs	3
CHD	298 Seminar and Project (Portfolio)	1
² PED	116 Lifetime Fitness & Wellness	1
² PED/RPK		1
3	Social Science Elective	3
SPD	100 Principles of Public Speaking	<u>3</u> 15
	Total	15

Total credits for the A.A.S. Degree in Early Childhood Development = 67.

¹ Humanities/fine arts elective may be selected from the humanities/fine arts courses listed under General Education Electives.

² The PED requirement may be met by one of the following options: PED 116, 2 cr.; PED 116, 1 cr. plus a PED activities course. 1 cr.; or PED 116, 1 cr. plus RPK activities course. PED 116 is offered as both a 1-credit and a 2-credit course.

³ The social science elective may be selected from the social/behavioral sciences courses listed under General Education Electives.