

# Early Childhood Education - AAS

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The Early Childhood pathway has many ways to earn educational recognition from credentials to an associates of applied science. Below are links to each option.

[Parent Educator Certificate](#)

[Child Development-Infant/Toddler Certificate](#)

[Child Development-Preschool Certificate](#)

[Early Childhood Education Diploma](#)

[Childcare Management Pathway AAS](#)

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[Bridge from Childcare to Educator Licensure Transfer Educator Licensure Transfer Major AAS](#)

The Early Childhood Education program is designed to prepare students to secure one of the many careers available in early childhood education. Graduates of the program may work with children from birth to eight years of age in a variety of settings such as child care centers, preschools, child development homes, or public and private schools. Students may elect to complete either the Educator Licensure/Transfer Pathway or the Child Care Management Pathway of the Early Childhood Education AAS. Students who intend to teach in a Pre-K through third-grade setting will need to transfer to a teacher licensure institution. In addition, this program addresses the competencies and functional areas necessary for students to begin the assessment and testing process for the Child Development Associate (CDA) Credential administered by the Council for Early Childhood Professional Recognition. See [http://www.cdacouncil.org/storage/documents/TransitionGuide\\_1-3-13.pdf](http://www.cdacouncil.org/storage/documents/TransitionGuide_1-3-13.pdf) for additional CDA Credential requirements by the Council.

Students who successfully complete ECE-103, ECE-133, ECE-243, and either ECE-221, ECE-158, or ECE-159 will be equipped with the competencies and functional areas necessary to pursue the CDA Credential.

Students who successfully complete EDU-120, EDU-121, and EDU-122 will be eligible to apply for a Para-Educator License. The Child Development-Infant/Toddler certificate is awarded to students who successfully complete SDV-108, ECE-103, ECE-133, ECE-221, ECE-170, and ECE-243.

The Child Development-Preschool certificate is awarded to students who successfully complete SDV-108, ECE-103, ECE-133, ECE-158, ECE-170, and ECE-243.

The Parent Educator certificate is awarded to students who successfully complete ECE-103, ECE-170, and ECE-123.

The Early Childhood Education diploma is awarded to students who successfully complete the first year of the program.

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## West Burlington Campus (Keokuk campus offers select courses)

### Program Requirements

Fall Semester	Credit	Spring Semester	Credit
ECE-103 INTRODUCTION TO EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION	3	<b>Take 1 of 2 courses:</b> MAT-113 MATH FOR ELEMENTARY TEACHERS II	3
EDU-212 EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATIONS	3	ECE-123 FAMILY, TEACHER, AND COMMUNITY INTERACTION	3
EDU-920 FIELD EXPERIENCE	2		
SDV-108 THE COLLEGE EXPERIENCE	1	Semester Total.....	14
<b>Take 1 of 2 courses:</b>		Program Total.....	65-69.5
EDU-120 COMMUNICATION, ETHICS, AND CONFIDENTIALITY	2		
PHI-105 INTRODUCTION TO ETHICS	3		
<b>Take 1 of 2 courses:</b>			
EDU-121 BEHAVIOR MANAGEMENT	2		
MUS-100 MUSIC APPRECIATION	3		
<b>Take 1 of 2 courses:</b>			
EDU-122 ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES	2		
SOC-110 INTRODUCTION TO SOCIOLOGY	3		
Semester Total.....	15-18		

Spring Semester	Credit
ECE-158 EARLY CHILDHOOD CURRICULUM I	3
ECE-133 CHILD HEALTH, SAFETY AND NUTRITION	3
ECE-170 CHILD GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT	3
ENG-105 COMPOSITION I	3
<b>Take 1 of 2 courses:</b>	
ECE-221 INFANT/TODDLER CARE AND EDUCATION	3
ART-133 DRAWING	3
<b>Take 1 of 2 courses:</b>	
ECE-287 EXCEPTIONAL LEARNER	3
EDU-247 TEACHING EXCEPTIONAL LEARNERS	3.5
Semester Total.....	18-18.5

Fall Semester	Credit
PSY-121 DEVELOPMENTAL PSYCHOLOGY	3
EDU-235 CHILDREN'S LITERATURE	3
HIS-152 US HISTORY SINCE 1877	3
MAT-112 MATH FOR ELEMENTARY TEACHERS I	3
<b>Take 1 of 2 courses:</b>	
ECE-159 EARLY CHILDHOOD CURRICULUM II	3
BIO-105 INTRODUCTORY BIOLOGY	4
<b>Take 1 of 2 courses:</b>	
ECE-243 EARLY CHILDHOOD GUIDANCE	3
ENG-106 COMPOSITION II	3
Semester Total.....	18-19

Spring Semester	Credit
EDU-255 TECHNOLOGY IN THE CLASSROOM	3
SPC-112 PUBLIC SPEAKING	3
<b>Take 1 of 2 courses:</b>	
ECE-290 EARLY CHILDHOOD PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION	3
ECE-140 EARLY CHILDHOOD CURRICULUM PLANNING	3
<b>Take 1 of 2 courses:</b>	
ECE-932 INTERNSHIP	2
ECE-284 FIELD EXPERIENCE II	2