



**South Central College
Program Design**

AS 3527 / 2521 Early Childhood Education Transfer Pathway

Program Information

Instructional Level Associate Degree

Career Cluster Human Services

Description

Early Childhood Education (ECE) Transfer Pathway associate degrees (AS) are accepted at any Minnesota State university that offers a designated early childhood bachelor's degree. The university guarantees that students transfer into the designated bachelor's program with junior status and may complete the bachelor's degree without losing credits or taking extra courses.

Background Check Requirements

A DHS background study will need to be conducted to be able to enroll in ECE 2510 Internship.

Program Admission Dates (Fall and/or Spring)

Fall

Program Student Learning Outcomes

- 1 Explore the physical, social, emotional, language, cognitive, and creative development of young children from birth through age eight
- 2 Demonstrate strategies for developing an appropriate learning environment
- 3 Apply guidance and management techniques to accommodate the developmental characteristics of young children birth through age eight
- 4 Demonstrate the ability to use assessment results to identify needs, learning styles and to plan appropriate programs, environments, learning experiences in order to successfully interact with children, families and the community
- 5 Understand how a child's development influences learning and demonstrate how to plan and implement age and developmentally appropriate learning experiences
- 6 Identify and implement techniques of collaboration with parents, colleagues, children and community services

Program Configurations

Scope & Sequence

Credits

Technical Course	30
Liberal Arts & Sciences	9
Arts & Sciences	21
Total Credits	60

Semester 1 This is a sample program plan based on full-time enrollment.

Course #	Course Title	Credits	Function
ECE 1205	Introduction to Early Childhood Education	3	Technical Course
ECE 1210	Child Growth and Development	3	Technical Course
ECE 1220	Health, Wellness and Nutrition	3	Technical Course
ENGL 100	Composition	4	Liberal Arts & Sciences
ECE 1240	Diverse Children and Family Relations	3	Technical Course

Semester 2

Course #	Course Title	Credits	Function
ECE 1270	Creative Activities and Environments	3	Technical Course
MnTC Goal 6 or 8	One course	3	Arts & Sciences
MnTC Goal Area 1	Oral Communications	3	Arts & Sciences
MnTC Goal Area 3	Natural Sciences: One course with a lab.	3	Arts & Sciences
ECE 1230	Behavior Guidance	3	Technical Course

Semester 3

Course #	Course Title	Credits	Function
ECE 2560	Introduction to Language and Literacy	3	Technical Course
MnTC Goal Area 4	College Level MATH	3	Arts & Sciences
MNTC Goal Area 7	Human Diversity	3	Arts & Sciences
MnTC Goal Area 5	Two courses from two different designators	3	Arts & Sciences
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Semester 4

Course #	Course Title	Credits	Function
MnTC Elective	Total of 30 MnTC credits required for degree. Take additional MnTC electives if needed	5	Liberal Arts & Sciences
ECE 2580	Observation and Assessment	3	Technical Course
ECE 2310	Introduction to Special Education	3	Technical Course
ECE 2510	ECE Internship	3	Technical Course

Program Course List

Number	Title	Credits	Pre/Corequisites
ECE 1205	Introduction to Early Childhood Education	3	None
ECE 1210	Child Growth and Development	3	None
ECE 1220	Health, Wellness and Nutrition	3	None
ECE 1230	Behavior Guidance	3	None
ECE 1240	Diverse Children and Family Relations	3	None
ECE 1270	Creative Activities and Environments	3	None
ECE 2310	Introduction to Special Education	3	ECE 1210
ECE 2510	ECE Internship	3	Instructor approval
ECE 2510	ECE Internship (Copy)	2	Instructor approval Must be taken concurrently with ECE 2570 Capstone for 1 credit.
ECE 2560	Introduction to Language and Literacy	3	ECE 1210
ECE 2570	Capstone (Copy)	1	
ECE 2580	Observation and Assessment	3	ECE 1210 and ECE 1230