

2018-2019 TTC Catalog

Early Care and Education - Child Care Management

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Associate in Applied Science in Early Care and Education

Child Care Management Career Path

70 Credit Hours

The Early Care and Education program provides a solid foundation for graduates so that they may use developmentally appropriate, research-based and current knowledge in early care and education to build intentional teaching skills. Students gain quality intentional early learning experiences as well as understanding the responsibility of the professional in the field of early care and education. Students also construct a professional pedagogy that they will be able to use in the classroom with young children. In the process of developing their own pedagogy, students will create a disposition of collaboration that recognizes the diversity of families and the larger community. Off-campus observation and field experiences are provided in diverse settings that allow for quality practical and hands-on experiences. Upon successful completion of the program, each student will have the tools that will make them intentional teachers and caregivers.

The Child Care Management career path prepares students to operate child care centers as well as learning and incorporating developmentally appropriate curricula in supervisory, management or administrative positions in early childhood.

Students can earn only one ECD degree in a single career path.

Accreditation

NAEYC Commission on the Accreditation of Early Childhood Higher Education Programs

National Association for the Education of Young Children
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Washington, DC 20005-4101

General Education Core Requirements

ENG 101 English Composition I 3

IDS 109 First Year Experience Seminar 3

MAT 110 College Algebra 3

or

MAT 120 Probability and Statistics 3

or

MAT 155 Contemporary Mathematics 3

PSY 201 General Psychology 3

REQ HUM Select from 3
[Humanities](#)

Total: 15

Major Requirements

ECD 101 Introduction to Early Childhood 3
ECD 102 Growth and Development I 3
ECD 105 Guidance-Classroom Management 3
ECD 106 Observation of Young Children 3
ECD 107 Exceptional Children 3
ECD 108 Family and Community Relations 3
ECD 109 Administration and Supervision 3
ECD 131 Language Arts 3
ECD 132 Creative Experiences 3
ECD 133 Science and Math Concepts 3
ECD 135 Health, Safety and Nutrition 3
ECD 201 Principles of Ethics and Leadership in Early Care 3
ECD 203 Growth and Development II 3
ECD 237 Methods and Materials 3
ECD 243 Supervised Field Experience I 3
ECD 252 Diversity Issues in Early Care and Education 3
ECD 260 Methods of Teaching Special Needs Students 3
EDU 230 Schools in Communities 4

Total: 55

Admission Requirements

Admission into this program requires proof of high school graduation (or GED) and qualifying scores on SAT, ACT or the TTC placement test.

The Early Care and Education associate degree also requires the following additional requirements as prerequisites to labs in licensed child care centers and/or public schools: a health assessment denoting good health, a negative tuberculosis skin test, compliance with technical standards and a clear criminal background check by the South Carolina Law Enforcement Division (SLED). In addition to SLED background checks, some child development centers and schools may require fingerprinting.

Students entering these laboratory or off-campus observation courses may opt to be fingerprinted. Fingerprinting and a SLED background check are required for the Early Care and Education workforce.