

**Early Childhood Education –
Preschool Education Emphasis**

REQUIRED CREDITS: 42

DEGREE CODE: ECEPRE-CT

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The Preschool Education Certificate in Early Childhood Education provides students with both the theoretical knowledge and practical skills training necessary for students working in a preschool setting, family day care home or child care center. This certificate enables students to meet Nevada State licensing requirements for Preschool Director.

STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES

- Demonstrate an understanding of the elements and dynamics of quality education and care for young children.
- Demonstrate appropriate skills for providing quality education and care for young children.
- Demonstrate appropriate skills in interacting with young children and their families.

PLEASE NOTE - The courses listed below may require a prerequisite or corequisite. Read course descriptions before registering for classes. All MATH and ENG courses numbered 01-99 must be completed before reaching 30 total college-level credits. No course under 100-level counts toward degree completion.

GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS (9 CREDITS)

SPECIAL PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS (33 CREDITS)

	CR	SEMESTER			CR	SEMESTER
MATHEMATICS	3	_____	ECE 121	Parent Caregiver Relationships	1	_____
MATH 104B or above			ECE 122	Observation Skills	1	_____
COMMUNICATIONS	6-8	_____	ECE 123	Health and Nutrition for Young Children	1	_____
3-5 credits from the following:			ECE 151	Math in the Preschool Curriculum	1	_____
BUS 108; ENG 100, 101, 102, 107, 113, 114, 205;			ECE 152	Science in the Preschool Curriculum	1	_____
JOUR 102			ECE 155	Literacy and the Young Child	1	_____
Plus 3 credits from the following:			ECE 156	Music in the Preschool Curriculum	1	_____
COM 101 or 102 or 215			ECE 157	Art in the Preschool Curriculum	1	_____
			ECE 158	Activities for Physical Development in Young Children	1	_____
			ECE 200	The Exceptional Child	3	_____
			ECE 202	Understanding Human Growth and Development	3	_____
			ECE 204	Principles of Child Guidance	3	_____
			ECE 231	Preschool Practicum	4	_____
			ECE 245	Practicum Seminar	2	_____
			ECE 250	Introduction to Early Childhood Education	3	_____
			ECE 251	Curriculum in Early Childhood Education	3	_____
			ECE 260	Children’s Literature	3	_____

Computation included in MATH 104B or above

Human Relations included in ECE 202

- NOTE**
- Course numbers with the “B” suffix may be non-transferable for a NSHE baccalaureate degree.
 - Course numbers with the “H” suffix are designated Honors-level courses and can be used to fulfill equivalent general education requirements. For more information visit www.csn.edu/honors.
 - In no case, may one course be used to meet more than one requirement except for the Values and Diversity general education requirement (only AA, AS, and AB degrees) which may be used to fulfill the corresponding general education or emphasis requirement.
 - Students may elect to graduate using the degree requirements in effect at the time of matriculation, or when they declared or changed major or the current catalog. If a program is official after a student has matriculated, the student may choose the degree requirements of the new program. In no case may a student use a catalog which is more than six years old at the time of graduation.



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2015-2016

The following is a suggested pathway, or course sequence by term, for this academic program. The following factors may affect the time it takes to complete the pathway as listed:

- The term (fall, spring, summer) in which the student enters the program because class availability varies by term.
- Where the student placed in the Math and English course sequence (i.e. taking courses below 100) and completion of course pre-requisites.
- Meeting with the student’s designated program counselor or advisor to determine academic readiness to succeed in a particular course. Use of appropriate services (writing center, math resource center, etc.) may be in order to support successful course completion.

First Semester	Requirement	Credit Hours	Term
Gen. Ed. Communications Requirement	See degree sheet for course choices	3-5	
Gen. Ed. Mathematics Requirement	MATH 104B Applied Mathematics or above	3	
Special Program Requirements	ECE 202 Understanding Human Growth and Development	3	
	ECE 250 Introduction to Early Childhood Education	3	
	ECE 260 Children’s Literature	3	
	Semester Total	15-17	
Second Semester	Requirement	Credit Hours	Term
Gen. Ed. Plus Three Credits From the Following	See degree sheet for course choices	3	
Special Program Requirements	ECE 251 Curriculum in Early Childhood Education	3	
	ECE 231 Preschool Practicum	4	
	ECE 245 Practicum Seminar	2	
	ECE 200 The Exceptional Child	3	
	Semester Total	15	
See Note Below	Requirement	Credit Hours	Term
Special Program Requirements	See degree sheet for course choices ¹	12	
	Semester Total	12	
	Pathway Course Total	42-44	
	Certificate Total	42	

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¹The following courses are not available every semester and should be taken when offered:

- ECE 121 Parent Caregiver Relationships
- ECE 122 Observation Skills
- ECE 123 Health and Nutrition for Young Children
- ECE 151 Math in the Preschool Curriculum
- ECE 152 Science in the Preschool Curriculum
- ECE 155 Literacy and the Young Child
- ECE 156 Music in the Preschool Curriculum
- ECE 157 Art in the Preschool Curriculum
- ECE 158 Activities for Physical Development¹ in Young Children
- ECE 204 Principles of Child Guidance