

- Observe and document each child regularly to accurately assess strengths and weaknesses and record progress.
- Plan the program to meet the needs of all children and families.
- Incorporate professional development activities into a personal growth plan.

Recommended Plan of Study

1st Semester		Credits
ECED-1050	Expressive Arts	3
ECED-1060	Observation, Assessment, & Guidance	3
ECED-1150	Introduction to Early Childhood Education	3
ENGL-1010	English Composition I	3
PRVD-1010	Achieving College Success	3
Total Credits		15

2nd Semester		Credits
ECED-1110	Infant/Toddler Development	3
ECED-1120	Preschool Child Development	2
ECED-1220	Pre-Practicum	1
ENGL-2110	Children's Literature	3
	Lab Science GE Elective (recommend BIOS-1000)	3
	Elective (see advisor)	3
Total Credits		15

3rd Semester		Credits
ECED-1160	Early Language & Literacy	3
ECED-1230	School-Age Child Development	2
ECED-1610*	Infant Practicum	1
ECED-1620*	Toddler Practicum	1
ECED-2060	Early Childhood Education Curriculum Planning	3
	Math GE Elective	3-4
	Oral Communication GE Elective	3
Total Credits		16-17

4th Semester		Credits
ECED-1010	CDA Preparatory Seminar	3
ECED-1630*	Preschool Practicum	1
ECED-1640*	School Age Practicum	1
ECED-2050	Children with Exceptionalities	3
ECED-2070	Family & Community Relationships	3

Social Science GE elective 3

Total Credits 14

Total AAS Credits 60-61

**Courses in development*

Education (Elementary)

AA.1312A (61 Credits)

Associate of Arts

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This emphasis area includes all coursework necessary to complete the general graduation requirements for the Associate of Arts degree. Emphasis is placed on coursework in the field of elementary education required by baccalaureate degree-issuing institutions. The coursework in elementary education meets the academic description and content necessary to fulfill the program requirements of four-year institutions and the teacher certification requirements of the State of Nebraska.

Objectives

- Provide students with a sequential course structure that fulfills general graduation requirements for the Associate of Arts degree.
- Provide the student, upon completion of the field of study, easy entry into elementary education programs leading to the baccalaureate degree in elementary education and Nebraska teacher certification.

Notes

- Students who plan to transfer to a four-year college or university should consult their faculty and transfer advisors early in their WNCC career to determine a curriculum to best suit their transfer goals.
- Students should consult with their faculty advisor regarding the selection of the six (6) humanities and six (6) social sciences credits required of the general education program to best meet their future academic and career goals.
- Students should consult with their faculty advisor and their proposed transfer institution to determine if Cultural Anthropology is required by their selected transfer institution.
- It is recommended that electives come from an area of interest, such as literature, mathematics, science, or social science.
- EDUC-2860 (Music Education for Elementary Teachers) is strongly suggested for elementary education students of sophomore standing or higher. It is not recommended for first semester students.

Recommended Program Courses

Class		Credit
EDUC-1110	Introduction to Professional Education	3
EDUC-2000	Educational Psychology	3
EDUC/ENGL-2110	Children's Literature *	3
EDUC-2860	Music Education for Elementary Teachers	3
EDUC-2890	Art Education for Elementary Teachers	3
MATH-1180	Math for Elementary Teachers	3
PSYC-2100	Child Growth and Development	3

*Fulfills one humanities requirements.

Recommended Elective Courses

Class		Credit
ECON-1230	General Economics	3
POLS-1000	American Government	3
	Any History course	

Recommended Plan of Study

1st Semester		Credits
EDUC-1110	Introduction to Professional Education	3
ENGL-1010	English Composition I	3
PRDV-1010	Achieving College Success	3
	Lab Science GE elective	4
	Oral Communication GE elective	3
Total Credits		16

2nd Semester		Credits
ATHC-1790	Personal Health	3
	or	
	Elective in area of interest	
EDUC-2890	Art Education for Elementary Teachers	3
ENGL-1020	English Composition II	3
MATH-1180	Math for Elementary Teachers	3
	Elective in area of interest	3
Total Credits		15

3rd Semester		Credits
ECON-1230	General Economics	3
	or	
	Elective in area of interest	
EDUC-2860	Music Education for Elementary Teachers	3
PSYC-1810	Introduction to Psychology	3

History elective	3
or	
Elective in area of interest	
Humanities GE elective	3
Total Credits	15

4th Semester		Credits
EDUC-2000	Educational Psychology	3
EDUC/ENGL-2110	Children's Literature	3
POLS-1000	American Government	3
	or	
	Elective in area of interest	
PSYC-2100	Child Growth and Development	3
	Social Sciences GE elective	3
Total Credits		15
Total AA Credits		61

Education (Music)

AA.1313A (61 Credits)

Associate of Arts

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This emphasis area offers the first two years of basic music requirements for the baccalaureate degree in music education. The non-music courses that are suggested meet WNCC's requirements for the Associate of Arts degree.

Objectives

- Provide the music requirements in Music Theory and Ear Training.
- Provide music requirements in applied music major area and keyboard.
- Provide ensemble participation.
- Provide related education courses.
- Provide options in related areas of study.
- Provide options for music minor participation.

Notes

- Students who plan to transfer to a four-year college or university should consult their faculty and transfer advisors early in their WNCC career to determine a curriculum to best suit their transfer goals.
- Students should consult with their faculty advisor regarding the selection of the six (6) humanities and six (6) social sciences credits required of the general education program to best meet their future academic and career goals.