



Liberal Arts Division
Program Advisement Guide [Revised 8/2017]
Early Childhood/Special Education Assistant
(A.A.S.) 25250

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COURSE CATEGORIES

CREDITS

Communication	9	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ENG101 English Composition I (“C” grade or higher required) • ENG102 English Composition II (“C” grade or higher required) • CMN111 Speech: Human Communication OR CMN112 Public Speaking 		_____ _____ _____
Literature Elective (recommended ENG222 Children’s Literature)	3	_____
Education	21	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EDU109 Introduction to Education • EDU102 Introduction to Exceptional Children • EDU120 Introduction to Early Childhood Education • EDU214 Curriculum and Methods • EDU210 Education Field Experience (15-20 hours per week) 6 credits • EDU211 Education Seminar 		_____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____
Social Science	9	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PSY101 Introductory Psychology (“C” grade or higher required) • PSY206 Child Development (Must have completed PSY101 with at least a “C”) • SOC101 OR SOC104 (SOC104 -Sociology of Education recommended) 		_____ _____ _____
Diversity and Global Perspective elective	3	_____
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consult 2017-2018 college catalog p. 137 for full list of choices. 		
History	3	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Select one: HIS101, HIS102, 105, 106, HIS112, HIS113. 		_____
Mathematics	3	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MAT125 OR MAT120 		_____
Natural Science OR Technology elective	3	
Recommended: BIO113, BIO114, PHY111, or CHE106		_____
Technology elective	3	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • IST101 Computer Concepts with Applications 		_____ _____
Visual Arts Elective	3	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recommended choices include: ART101, 102, ART121, ART122 , ART 123, ART124, ART126, and MUS103 or MUS105. 		_____
College Success/ Wellness/Health (CSW100 or HPE111)	2-3	_____

Total Credits Required 62-63
Minimum QPA: 2.00

This degree is designed to meet the needs of students interested in careers as education assistants or teacher aides in schools, day care centers, or similar institutions. It is not designed for transfer. Students who have completed the Child Development Associate (CDA) or Certified Childcare Professional (CCP) certificate can receive up to 6 education credits for that work after they have satisfied English and math requirements.

Program Map for Early Childhood/Special Education Assistant A.A.S

This curriculum is for students who enrolled at MCCC in or after Fall 2017.

(Students who enrolled prior should follow the guidelines in the catalog for the year they joined the program.)

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This program map is designed for full-time students with a targeted completion of 4 semesters. Alternate program maps are available, as well as maps for students who completed previous coursework at Mercer or another institution. See an education advisor to customize your degree plan.

Semester	FIRST		To Do this Semester
Code	Course (lecture/lab hours)	Credits	
ENG101	English Composition I (3/0)	3	*Meet w/ Education Coordinator, Dr. Capra, to make academic plan caprat@mccc.edu *Contact professors w/ questions- use their office hours to develop a connection
PSY101	Introduction to Psychology	3	
EDU109	Introduction to Education (3/0)	3	
MAT125	Elementary Statistics (3/0)		*Use the Tutorial Centers or e-Tutoring and Success Coaches to maximize your ability
	OR		
MAT120	Mathematics for Liberal Arts (3/0)	3	
CSW100	Coll. Success and Pers. Wellness 2/0		
	OR 1		
HPE111	Living with Health	2-3	
Semester	SECOND		To Do this Semester
Code	Course (lecture/lab hours)	Credits	
ENG102	English Composition II (3/0)	3	*Meet w/ Dr. Capra -review plan
EDU102	Introduction to Exceptional Children (3/0)	3	
CMN111	Speech: Human Communication (3/0)		
	OR		*Apply for financial aid by the deadline
CMN112	Public Speaking (3/0)	3	
SOC101			
	OR	3	
SOC104	Sociology of Education (3/0)		*Get involved in activities and clubs.
PSY206	Child Development	3	
Semester	THIRD		To Do this Semester
Code	Course (lecture/lab hours)	Credits	
EDU120	Introduction to Early Childhood Education (3/0)	3	*Meet w/ Dr. Capra –finalize graduation plan *Begin to evaluate potential field placements for final semester- EDU 210 *Create a résumé; begin job search
IST101	Computer Concepts with Applications (2/2)	3	
HIS —	Historical Perspective general ed. elective 2	3	
— —	Science OR Technology general ed. elective	3-4	
— —	Diversity and Global Perspective elective	3	
Semester	FOURTH		To Do this Semester
Code	Course (lecture/lab hours)	Credits	
EDU210	Education Field Experience (15-20 hours per week)	6	*Apply for graduation by the deadline;
EDU211	Education Seminar (3/0)	3	*Meet w/ Dr. Capra to finalize
EDU214	Curriculum & Instruction	3	
ENG —	Literature elective 3	3	
— —	Visual Arts or Music elective	3	
	Total Credits	62-66	

1 CSW 100 is a preferred alternative ; HPE 111 is an acceptable alternative.

2 Select from HIS 101, 102, 105, 106, 109, 112, 113. 3 ENG 222 recommended.

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NOTE: Students must earn a minimum grade of C in all EDU courses to grad