

ECS: General Certificate of Achievement

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Program Requirements:

"Program Requirements" specify the courses required for this program. See suggested course sequence for additional information.

A major of 43 units is required for the certificate. Required core courses (31 units)		☐ ECS 320	Administration: Staff Leadership	
COURSE	TITLE	UNITS	☐ ECS 321	Administration: Professional Ethics
☐ ECS 100	Child Growth and Development	3	☐ ECS 322	Administration: Parents as Partners
☐ ECS 101	Child, Family and Community	3	☐ EMS 102	First Aid & Safety
☐ ECS 102	Child Health, Safety & Nutrition	3		
☐ ECS 104	Principles and Practices of Teaching Young Children	3		
☐ ECS 105	Observation and Assessment	3		
☐ ECS 106	Introduction to Early Childhood Curriculum	3		
☐ ECS 116	Teaching in a Diverse Society	3		
☐ ECS 118	Practicum: Preschool	3		
☐ ECS 119	Practicum: Infant/Toddler	3		
☐ ECS 149	Cooperative Work Experience: Occupational	1 - 8.0 units		
☐ ECS 103	Introduction to Early Childhood	3		

Plus a minimum of 12 units selected from the following:

COURSE	TITLE	UNITS
☐ ECS 114	Parent/Child Relationships	3
☐ ECS 115	Care and Education for Infants and Toddlers	3
☐ ECS 117	Teaching Strategies for Dual Language Learners	3
☐ ECS 120	Adult Supervision and Mentoring In Early Childhood Education	2
☐ ECS 122	Positive Child Guidance	3
☐ ECS 125	Curriculum for School-Age Children	3
☐ ECS 151	Infant and Toddler Development	3
☐ ECS 310	Art for Young Children	0.5
☐ ECS 311	Creating Learning Materials	0.5
☐ ECS 312	Music for Early Childhood Educators	0.5
☐ ECS 313	Science for Young Children	0.5
☐ ECS 314	Engineering and Technology for Young Children	0.5
☐ ECS 315	Math for Young Children	0.5



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Suggested Course Sequence

The "Suggested Course Sequence" is an example of how to complete the requirements plus any additional general education that may be needed. If you would like to create a personalized Student Education Plan (SEP), schedule a meeting with a counselor.

Course	Title	Units
☐ ECS 103	Introduction to Early Childhood	3
Total Units		3
Tasks		

FALL SEMESTER (YEAR 1)			
Course	Title	Units	
☐ ECS 100	Child Growth and Development	3	
☐ ECS 104	Principles and Practices of Teaching Young Children	3	
Total Units		6	

Tasks:

- Complete Career Exploration
- · Meet with Counselor (SEP)
- · Visit library and tutoring
- · Review Financial Aid Requirements
- · Apply AHC Scholarship

SPRING SEMESTER (YEAR 1)			
Course	Title	Units	
☐ ECS 101	Child, Family and Community	3	
☐ ECS 105	Observation and Assessment	3	
☐ ECS 149	Cooperative Work Experience: Occupational	1 - 8	
☐ ELECTIVE	MAJOR ELECTIVE	3	
Total Units		10-18	

Tasks:

- · Set up Jobspeaker
- · Attend Career Exploration Day
- · FAFSA or Dream Act due March 2
- · Apply AHC Scholarship

SUMMER SEMESTER (YEAR 2)			
Course	Title	Units	
☐ ECS 102	Child Health, Safety & Nutrition	3	
Total Units		3	
Tasks			

FALL SEMESTER (YEAR 2)			
Course	Title	Units	
☐ ELECTIVE	MAJOR ELECTIVE	3	
☐ ECS 106	Introduction to Early Childhood Curriculum	3	
☐ ECS 116	Teaching in a Diverse Society	3	
☐ ECS 149	Cooperative Work Experience: Occupational	1 - 8	
Total Units		10-18	

Tasks

- · Develop Resume at Career Center
- · Meet with Counselor
- · Review Financial Aid Requirements
- · Apply for AHC Scholarship

SPRING SEMESTER (YEAR 2)			
Course	Title	Units	
☐ ECS 118	Practicum: Preschool	3	
☐ ECS 132	Child Identity and Learning	3	
☐ ELECTIVE	MAJOR ELECTIVE	3	
Total Units		9	

Tasks

- · Apply for Certificate
- Utilize Job Search Resources
- · FAFSA or Dream Act due March 2
- · Attend Job Fair/Career Expo. Day

SUMMER SEMESTER (YEAR 3)			
Course	Title	Units	
☐ ECS 119	Practicum: Infant/Toddler	3	
Total Units		3	
Tasks			