

**Gloucester County College**  
**Associate in Science (A.S.)**  
**ARTS AND SCIENCES – EARLY CHILDHOOD OPTION**  
**Transfer Program Requirements**

This program prepares students to work with children in early childhood educational settings. Students are exposed to classroom studies and practical experiences that focus on working with normal and special-needs children in the community. The program also provides the general education foundation necessary for students who are planning to transfer to a baccalaureate degree. Students who have completed the program will be able to

- Communicate effectively in writing and orally
- Demonstrate an understanding of various scientific and social ideas and perspectives
- Participate in community service activities
- Analyze child development and use various educational techniques in a practical setting
- Demonstrate a basic understanding of early childhood educational systems and practices

**Required Core and Elective Courses**

<u>Communications</u>		<u>Credits</u>
COM101	English Composition I	3
COM102	English Composition II	3
SPE101	Oral Communication	3
<u>Humanities</u>		
ART101 or MUS101	Art Appreciation I or Music Appreciation I	3
<u>Computers</u>		
CIS101	Computer Literacy	3
<u>Social Sciences</u>		
PSY101	General Psychology	3
PSY211	Psychology of Human Development	3
PSY213	Child Psychology	3
SOC102	Sociology of the Family	3
SOC203	Sociology of Education	3
<u>Health, Physical Education, and Recreation</u>		
HPE ____	Health and Physical Education Elective	1-3
<u>Mathematics</u>		
MAT ____	Mathematics Elective	3-4
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<u>Science</u>		
BIO107	Human Biology	4
____	Lab Science Elective	4
<u>HDA Requirements</u>		
HDA 122	Clinical Experience for Early Childhood Education	0
HDA 123	Behavior Management Services	3
HDA 125	Clinical Experience for Early Childhood Education	0
HDA 215	Health and Disease in Children and Adults	4
HDA 223	Early Childhood Education	3
HDA 225	Clinical Experience for Early Childhood Education	0
<u>Program Electives</u>		
HDA ____	Program Option Elective – Early Childhood	3
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**Total Minimum Credits:** **64-66**

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**Suggested Four Semester Sequence of Courses**

<b>FIRST YEAR – Fall Semester</b>		<b>Credits</b>
___COM101	English Composition I	3
___PSY 101	General Psychology	3
___PSY 213	Child Psychology	3
	Lang. Arts for the Preschool Child <b>OR</b>	
	Art and Creative Activities for the Preschool Child	
___CIS 101	Computer Literacy	3
___HDA 122	Clinical Experience for	3
	Early Childhood Education	0
		<b>15</b>
<b>Spring Semester</b>		
___COM 102	English Composition II	3
	Music Appreciation I <b>OR</b>	
	Art Appreciation I	3
___HDA 123	Behavior Management Techniques	3
___SOC 102	Sociology of the Family	3
___HPE___	Physical Education elective	1-3
___HDA___	Early Childhood Education course	3
___HDA 125	Clinical Experience for	
	Early Childhood Education	0
		<b>16-18</b>
<b>SECOND YEAR - Fall Semester</b>		
___BIO 107	Human Biology	4
___PSY 211	Psychology of Human Development	3
___MAT___	Mathematics elective*	3
___SOC 203	Sociology of Education	3
___HDA___	Early Child Education major course	3
___HDA 225	Clinical Experience for	
	Early Childhood Education	0
		<b>16</b>
<b>Spring Semester</b>		
___HDA 223	Early Childhood Education	3
_____	Physical Science elective*	4
___MAT___	Mathematics elective*	3
___SPE 101	Oral Communication	3
___HDA 215	Health and Disease in Children	4
		<b>17</b>
<b>Total Minimum Credits</b>		<b>64-66</b>

Students must complete all Arts and Science (AS) Required Courses (55 credits) plus 9 credits selected from the following electives.

**Program Option Electives**

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| HDA126 Language Arts for the Preschool Child               | HDA222 Clinical Experience for Early Childhood Education |
| HDA128 Art and Creative Activities for the Preschool Child | HDA226 Music and Dramatic Art for the Preschool Child    |
| HDA227 Math and Science for the Preschool Child            |  |

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