MAJOR IN EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

Major Completion Map

Distinctive Requirements for Degree Program:

Students seeking admission to the Early Childhood Education (ECE) Major with teacher licensure must formally apply and be accepted. The admission process into the program takes place once a year in the spring with the admitted candidates starting the program the following fall. All coursework within the Center for Educator Preparation (CEP) requires a 4 semester (or 2 year) consecutive commitment to complete, therefore

EDUC subject code courses must be taken in the semester indicated. Requirements for applying to the ECE major: 1) Must have a 2.75 GPA or better, 2) Suggested to have completed 60 credits (or more) by the end of the semester in which the student is applying (typically students apply their second semester sophomore year), 3) Must have 20 hours of volunteer or work service with children ages 0-8 years (experience must have been within the last 5 years), 4) Must have 3 references. All HDFS subject code courses and EDUC subject code courses must be completed with a grade of C (2.000) or higher. Students will be required to pass a criminal arrest record background check prior to participating in field placement courses. Students will complete a graduation contract with an HDFS Academic Advisor during the first two weeks of the semester in which they are graduating.

Freshman

Semester 1		Critical	Recommended	AUCC	Credits
CO 150	College Composition (GT-CO2)	X		1A	3
HDFS 101	Individual and Family Development (GT-SS3)	X		3C	3
HDFS 277	Introductory Seminar in HDFS	X			1
Arts and Humanities (http://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/all-university-core-curriculum/aucc/#arts-humanities)			X	3B	3
Historical Perspectives (http://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/all-university-core-curriculum/aucc/#historical-perspectives)			X	3D	3
Quantitative Reasoning (http://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/all-university-core-curriculum/aucc/#quantitativereasoning)		X		1B	3
	Total Credits				**16**
Semester 2		Critical	Recommended	AUCC	Credits
HDFS 217	Creative Experiences for Children	X			3
PSY 100	General Psychology (GT-SS3)	X		3C	3
Select one course from the following:		X			3-4
BZ 101	Humans and Other Animals (GT-SC2)		X	3A	
LIFE 102	Attributes of Living Systems (GT-SC1)		X	3A	
Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (http://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/all-university-core-curriculum/aucc/#diversity-equity-inclusion)		X		1C	3
Elective			X		3
HDFS 277 must be completed by the end of Semester 2.		X			
	Total Credits				**15**

Sophomore

Semester 3		Critical	Recommended	AUCC	Credits
HDFS 250	Introduction to Research Methods	X			3
HDFS 310	Infant and Child Development in Context	X			3
HDFS 311	Adolescent/Early Adult Development in Context	X			3
HDFS 334	Family and Parenthood Across the Lifespan	X			3
Biological and Physical Sciences (http://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/all-university-core-curriculum/aucc/#biological-physical-sciences)			X	3A	3-4
	Total Credits				**16**
Semester 4		Critical	Recommended	AUCC	Credits
EDUC 275	Schooling in the United States (GT-SS3)	X		3C	3
HDFS 318	Infancy and Toddlerhood	X			3
Select one course from the following:		X			3
CO 300	Writing Arguments (GT-CO3)		X	2	
CO 301C	Writing in the Disciplines: Social Sciences (GT-CO3)		X	2	
Arts and Humanities (http://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/all-university-core-curriculum/aucc/#arts-humanities)			X	3B	3

		Critical	Recommended	AUCC	Credits
Elective			X		3
It is recommended that students apply to ECE program by the end Semester 4.			X		
	Total Credits				**15**

Junior

Semester 5		Critical	Recommended	AUCC	Credits
EDUC 331	Educational Technology and Assessment	X			2
EDUC 340	Literacy and the Learner	X			3
HDFS 375	Lifespan Intervention and Prevention Science	X			3
HDFS 410	Promoting Early Socioemotional Development	X			3
HDFS 445/ FSHN 445	Early Childhood Health, Safety, and Nutrition	X			3
PSY 100 must be completed by the end of Semester 5.		X			
Student must be admitted to Teacher Licensure Program by the end of Semester 5.		X			
	Total Credits				**14**

Semester 6		Critical	Recommended	AUCC	Credits
EDUC 400	Diagnostic Teaching of Reading	X			3
EDUC 425	Early Childhood Education I	X			4
HDFS 350	Applied Research Methods	X		4A	3
Select one course from the following:		X			3
HDFS 317	Disabilities in Early Childhood Education	X			
PSY 460	Child Exceptionality and Psychopathology	X			
Elective			X		3
	Total Credits				**16**

Senior

Semester 7		Critical	Recommended	AUCC	Credits
EDUC 426	Early Childhood Education II	X			4
HDFS 434	Risk and Resilience Across the Lifespan	X		4B	3
HDFS 439	Administration of Early Childhood Programs	X			3
HDFS 492	Capstone--Evidence-Based Program Proposals	X		4C	3
Elective			X		2
	Total Credits				**15**

Semester 8		Critical	Recommended	AUCC	Credits
EDUC 485C	Student Teaching: Early Childhood	X			12
EDUC 493A	Seminar: Professional Relations	X			1
The benchmark courses for the 8th semester are the remaining courses in the entire program of study.		X			
	Total Credits				**13**
	Program Total Credits:				**120**