



# EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

DEPARTMENT OF APPLIED  
HUMAN SCIENCES

**KANSAS STATE**  
UNIVERSITY

College of Health and  
Human Sciences

## OUR PROGRAM

Early childhood education is a career for individuals who seek the satisfaction of enhancing the development and learning of young children. This program is designed for students who wish to work as licensed teachers in early care and education programs for young children, birth through kindergarten, including children with disabilities. Graduates are licensed-eligible educators working in a variety of settings including public schools, private and not-for-profit childcare programs, and military or corporate early education programs.

## PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

Graduates meet the requirements for the Kansas teacher licensure in early childhood unified (birth through kindergarten) • Supervised clinical practice integrated with course work • Hands-on teaching experience • Undergraduate research opportunities • Education abroad opportunities • 100% pass rate on the two national early childhood education teacher licensure exams • 99% job placement rate • Dedicated student organization

## POTENTIAL CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

- Early Childhood Special Educator
- Pre-Kindergarten Teacher
- Kindergarten Teacher
- Early Interventionist
- Child Development Specialist
- Early Childhood Behavior Interventionist
- Early Literacy Coordinator
- ECE/ECSE Program Consultant

### Contact us:

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# BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

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*Sample course sequence guide*

### Fall

Introduction to Human Development  
Expository Writing I  
General Psychology  
Introduction to Sociology  
College Algebra  
Well-being 1: You and Community

# 1

### Spring

Early Childhood  
Pre-Professional Experiences in Early Childhood Unified  
Introduction to Early Childhood Education  
Social Science Elective  
Public Speaking  
Science Elective

**16 hours**

**15-16 hours**

### Fall

Interaction Techniques with Young Children  
Expository Writing II  
Introduction to Statistics  
Professional Elective  
Well-being 2: Mind and Body  
Professional Elective

# 2

### Spring

Exceptional Development in Early Childhood  
Emergent Literacy  
Family Relationships and Gender Roles  
Science Elective & Lab  
Professional Elective

**16 hours**

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### Fall

Teaching and Learning in Early Childhood Education  
Developmental Curriculum in Early Childhood Education  
Literature Elective  
Professional Elective  
Fine Arts Elective

# 3

### Spring

Reflective Practice: Preschoolers and Kindergartners  
Practicum: Preschoolers Home, School and Community Partnerships  
Practicum: Kindergartners  
Social Emotional Learning & Behavior Management  
Professional Elective  
Well-being 3: Money and Meaning

**15-16 hours**

**15 hours**

### Fall

Reflective Practice: Infants and Toddlers  
Practicum: Infants and Toddlers  
Home Visiting Programs for Young Children and Families  
Practicum: Home Visiting  
Diversity Elective  
Professional Elective

# 4

### Spring

Student Teaching in Early Childhood Unified  
Assessment of Young Children

**14-15 hours**

**12 hours**

120 hours are required for degree completion. The College of Health and Human Sciences requires a "C" or higher in Professional Studies courses, and the K-State 8 requirements must be met.