



NSCC Guided Pathway

2022-23

Early Childhood Education (ECD) – Education Pathway

Associate in Science • STEM and Education Division

Recommended Course Selection Sequence		Required	Credits	Course Offered	CPL Option	Completion
CMP101	Composition 1	Ⓡ	3		X	<input type="checkbox"/>
ECE101	Child Growth and Development	Ⓡ	3		X	<input type="checkbox"/>
ECE110	Foundations of Early Childhood Education	Ⓡ	3			<input type="checkbox"/>
HUS101	The Human Services Worker	Ⓡ	3		X	<input type="checkbox"/>
PSY102	Introduction to Psychology	Ⓡ	3		X	<input type="checkbox"/>
CMP102-150	Composition 2 Elective	Ⓡ	3		X	<input type="checkbox"/>
ECE245	Field Placement/ Seminar 1 in Early Childhood Ed	Ⓡ	6		X	<input type="checkbox"/>
ECE105	Using Expressive Arts with Young Children	Ⓡ	3			<input type="checkbox"/>
	Liberal Arts Elective	Ⓡ	3			<input type="checkbox"/>
	Behavioral Science Elective	Ⓡ	3			<input type="checkbox"/>
ECE203	Planning Programs for the Young Child	Ⓡ	3			<input type="checkbox"/>
ECE204	Children with Special Needs	Ⓡ	3			<input type="checkbox"/>
ECE246	Field Placement/ Seminar 2 in Early Childhood Ed	Ⓡ	6			<input type="checkbox"/>
ECE103	Supporting the Young Child's Physical & Mental Health	Ⓡ	3			<input type="checkbox"/>
	Liberal Arts Elective	Ⓡ	3			<input type="checkbox"/>
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	Open Elective		3			<input type="checkbox"/>
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Total Program Credits:			60			

Behavioral Science Elective: Recommend PYS114, PSY204, PSY136, or SOC112

Open Elective: Recommend ECE116, ECE206, HUS102, HUS104, HUS120, or HUS122

Program Notes

- Open admissions
- This program is fully accredited by the National Association for the Education of Young Children
- Eligible North Shore Promise program
- CORI/SORI check required
- Day or evening/online program
- Fall start recommended

Campus Information

- Lynn campus based

Additional Graduation Requirements

- Cumulative CLGPA at or above 2.0
- Submit your intent to graduate form at: www.northshore.edu/register

Advising Notes

- This degree is intended to prepare students, upon completion, to teach young children (ages 2.9 – 6 years) in preschool settings such as child care centers, nursery school programs, Head Start programs, and family child care centers.
- This program qualifies graduates (21 years of age or older) for Department of Early Education and Care Lead Teacher Certification.
- Students are encouraged to work with a faculty advisor. Courses are listed in the recommended order that you should take them.
- Students are required to take ECE105 - Using the Expressive Arts before or concurrently with ECE245 - Field Placement 1 and are required to take ECE203 - Planning Programs before or concurrently with ECE246 Field Placement 2.
- ECE245 - Field Placement 1 and ECE246 - Field Placement 2 require student teaching placements in a preschool setting, four mornings a week, typically from 8:00 am – 12 noon.
- When planning to register for ECE245 or ECE246, contact the ECD program coordinator, Gina Pelletier (gpelleti@northshore.edu) to make arrangements for your student teaching placement.
- Graduates of this program may also transfer to public and private institutions into the professional development track. Check your receiving institution to determine best credit transfer options.
- Many courses have prerequisite requirements that must be fulfilled to be eligible to enroll in the course.
- If you intend to graduate with an associate degree in two years, you should enroll in at least 15 credits if taking only fall/spring courses.
- Completing 30 credits each year helps students stay on track to timely graduation.
- Taking classes in the winter intersession and summer can accelerate your time to degree completion.
- All student degree audits for graduation purposes will be based off the official program of study the student is enrolled in.

Ⓡ Required course for degree

X Center for Alternative Studies & Educational Testing (CAS) – Course competencies and prerequisites may be fulfilled through Credit for Prior Learning (CPL). Visit www.northshore.edu/cas for more information.



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