ECE 2205: Organization and Administration of Early Childhood Programs 3 Credit Hours

Prerequisite: EDUC 2110

In this course candidates identify high-quality administrative and programming practices for young children's programs, evaluate the effectiveness of early care, learn administration practices through a 15-hour observation experience in a child care center, and develop a resource portfolio useful to early care and education administration. Additionally, candidates demonstrate knowledge of appropriate child behavior guidance strategies by developing a guidance plan.

Notes: A criminal background check is required of candidates prior to the observation.

ECE 2220: Practicum

3 Credit Hours

Prerequisite: Approval of the director of the Center for Education Placements and Partnerships, advisor, and department chair.

A practicum in a classroom during which the student will be actively involved in the teaching-learning process under the guidance of a professional teacher.

ECE 2250: Child Development and Early Learning

3 Credit Hours

Prerequisite: ENGL 1102

This course addresses theories of human development from conception to middle childhood (age eleven years) with attention to the social, emotional, physical and cognitive domains. Issues relating to family, developmental contexts, and culture will be addressed as they relate to development and supporting children's learning. Candidates will also explore effective learning environments, health, safety & nutrition for children. Observations in natural settings will be required.