

Liberal Arts & Sciences: Childhood Education

Associate in Science Degree

This program is the first step for students seeking teacher certification in Childhood Education (grades 1-6). In order to earn teacher certification, students must transfer to and complete an appropriate bachelor's and master's degree at a transfer institution. As part of the first two years of that process, students in this program complete all ten of the general education areas required by SUNY for a bachelor's degree. They complete six hours of professional courses (ED150, and ED205), which include at least thirty hours of classroom observation. Students complete 15-18 credit hours in their concentration (Mathematics, English, History/Social Studies, or Science). Specific courses depend on the area of concentration and the transfer institution. It is important for students to contact the college to which they may transfer in order to plan their curriculum. In some cases, it may require careful planning for students to complete a bachelor's degree in four years.

Total Credit Hours: 63

First Semester

CF100 College Foundations Seminar	1.0
ED150 Soc/Philos Foundations of Educ	3.0
EN101 English 1: Composition	3.0
MA171 Foundations/Math 1	3.0
PY101 Intro General Psychology	3.0
Foreign Language Elective (a)	3.0
PE Physical Education Elective	0.5

Second Semester

ED205 Child Development	3.0
EN102 English 2:Idea&Values Lit	3.0
History Elective (b)	3.0
MA172 Foundatns/Math 2	3.0
Foreign Language Elective (a)	3.0
PE Physical Education	0.5

Third Semester

* Program Required Course	3.0
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HI101 History of Civ 1	3.0
GE Natural Science Elective (c)	4.0
PE Physical Education	0.5

Forth Semester

* Program Required Course	3.0
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ED211 Intro to Exceptionalities	3.0
EN240 Children's Literature	3.0
Fine Arts Elective (d)	3.0
PE Physical Education	0.5

A prior criminal record or a history of behavior that presents a direct risk to the safety, well-being, or health of students, faculty, or staff in PK-12 settings may make placement for mandatory classroom observations unfeasible, thereby hindering the successful completion of the program.

Transfer options include:

- English
- General Science
- History

English and History, students will take four three-credit required courses, and general science students will take three four-credit required courses.

(a) Language requirement consists of a two-course sequence in the same foreign language. American Sign Language counts as a foreign language in education programs within the SUNY system. Regents level 4 foreign language in high school (or level 3 with a score of 90 or better) allows students to take one semester of that language at a level of 191(Review) or higher to satisfy this requirement. In the case where students are exempt from the language requirement, the language credits must be replaced with courses approved by an advisor. Those attending Utica University must select ED206 child Development as their replacement course.

(b) History Electives include: HI111 American History 1492 - 1850 OR HI112 American History 1850 - Present.

(c) Natural Science electives include BI105, BI141, BI142, BI216, BI217, CH101, CH131, CH141, CH142, CH247, CH248, GL101, GL102, PH131, PH141, PH142, PH151, PH152.

(d) Fine Arts: HU187, HU204, or HU205.

*Students are required to earn a minimum grade of "C" in these courses to meet the graduation requirements.

*Please consult with your advisor for proper course selection in the areas of study listed below. Refer to specific area of study page layout for guided academic transfer path. Upon successful completion, students will receive a Liberal Arts & Sciences: Adolescence Education diploma.