

EARLY CHILDHOOD SPECIALIST

Early Childhood Education (A55220)

The Early Childhood Education curriculum prepares individuals to work with children from birth through eight in diverse learning environments. Students will combine learned theories with practice in actual settings with young children under the supervision of qualified teachers.

Course work includes child growth and development; physical/nutritional needs of children; care and guidance of children; and communication skills with families and children. Students will foster the cognitive/language, physical/motor, social/emotional, and creative development of young children.

Graduates are prepared to plan and implement developmentally appropriate programs in early childhood settings. Employment opportunities include child development and child care programs, preschools, public and private schools, recreational centers, Head Start Programs, and school-age programs.

COURSE REQUIREMENTS

Richmond Community College provides day and evening course sequences for selected programs to enable students to better plan what courses to take to reach their educational goals. However, given the continued increase in the use of technology in instruction and increasing student demand for distance learning courses, the College may offer hybrid, online, web-based and information highway courses in place of traditional courses in any course sequence that is listed. Therefore, students should be aware of this possibility and prepare themselves to successfully function in a hybrid, online, web-based, or information highway course.

EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION: CAREER TRACK (A55220C) COURSE REQUIREMENTS

Class	Lab	Work/ Clinical	Credit	
A. General Education Courses				
1. Required Courses				
COM 231	Public Speaking	3	0	0 3
	or			
ENG 112	Writing/Research in the Disciplines	3	0	0 3
ENG 111	Writing and Inquiry	3	0	0 3
MAT 143	Quantitative Literacy	2	2	0 3
PSY 150	General Psychology	3	0	0 3
	Humanities/Fine Arts Elective*	3	0	0 3
B. Major Courses				
1. Core Courses				
<i>To receive a degree, diploma or certificate from RCC, a student must have a grade of "C" or better in all core courses for the program of study.</i>				
EDU 119	Intro to Early Childhood Education	4	0	0 4
EDU 131	Child, Family, & Community	3	0	0 3
EDU 144	Child Development I	3	0	0 3
EDU 145	Child Development II	3	0	0 3
EDU 146	Child Guidance	3	0	0 3

EDU	151	Creative Activities	3	0	0	3
EDU	153	Health, Safety, & Nutrition	3	0	0	3
EDU	221	Children with Exceptionalities	3	0	0	3
EDU	234	Infants, Toddlers, & Twos	3	0	0	3
EDU	280	Language & Literacy Experiences	3	0	0	3
EDU	284	Early Child Capstone Practicum	1	9	0	4
2. Other Major Courses						
EDU Electives (Select a minimum of 14 credit hours from the following)**						
CIS	110	Introduction to Computers	2	2	0	3
EDU	114	Intro to Family Childcare	3	0	0	3
EDU	154	Social/Emotional/Behavioral Dev	3	0	0	3
EDU	158	Healthy Lifestyles-Youth	3	0	0	3
EDU	161	Introduction to Exceptional Children	3	0	0	3
EDU	162	Observation & Assessment in ECE	3	0	0	3
EDU	163	Classroom Mgt & Instruction	3	0	0	3
EDU	173	Becoming a Professional in ECE	3	0	0	3
EDU	187	Teaching & Learning for All	3	3	0	4
EDU	216	Foundations of Education	3	0	0	3
EDU	223	Specific Learning Disabilities	3	0	0	3
EDU	235	School-Age Dev & Programs	3	0	0	3
EDU	247	Sensory & Physical Disabilities	3	0	0	3
EDU	248	Developmental Delays	3	0	0	3
EDU	250	Teacher Licensure Preparation	3	0	0	3
EDU	259	Curriculum Planning	3	0	0	3
EDU	261	Early Childhood Administration I	3	0	0	3
EDU	262	Early Childhood Administration II	3	0	0	3
EDU	263	School-Age Program Administration	2	0	0	2
EDU	275	Effective Teacher Training	2	0	0	2
EDU	279	Literacy Development & Instruction	3	3	0	4
EDU	289	Advance Issues/School-Age	2	0	0	2
WBL	111	Work-Based Learning I	0	0	10	1
WBL	115	Work-Based Learning Seminar I	1	0	0	1
C. Other Required Courses						
ACA	122	College Transfer Success	0	2	0	1

Total Credit Hours

65

*Approved Humanities/Fine Arts Electives are listed on the page before the Course Descriptions.

**SEMESTER SCHEDULE
EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION: CAREER TRACK (A55220C)**

			Work/			
			Class	Lab	Clinical	Credit
First Year – Fall Semester						
ACA	122	College Transfer Success	0	2	0	1

EDU	119	Intro to Early Childhood Education	4	0	0	4
EDU	131	Child, Family, & Community	3	0	0	3
EDU	144	Child Development I	3	0	0	3
EDU	145	Child Development II	3	0	0	3
ENG	111	Writing and Inquiry	3	0	0	3
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			16	2	0	17
First Year – Spring Semester						
COM	231	Public Speaking	3	0	0	3
	or					
ENG	112	Writing/Research in the Disciplines	3	0	0	3
EDU	146	Child Guidance	3	0	0	3
EDU	151	Creative Activities	3	0	0	3
EDU	153	Health, Safety, & Nutrition	3	0	0	3
		EDU Elective I**	1-3	0-2	0-10	1-3
			—	—	—	—
			13-15	0-2	0-10	13-15
Second Year – Fall Semester						
EDU	221	Children with Exceptionalities	3	0	0	3
EDU	280	Language & Literacy Experiences	3	0	0	3
PSY	150	General Psychology	3	0	0	3
		EDU Elective II**	1-3	0-2	0-10	1-3
		EDU Elective III**	1-3	0-2	0-10	1-3
		Humanities/Fine Arts Elective*	3	0	0	3
			—	—	—	—
			14-18	0-4	0-10	14-18
Second Year – Spring Semester						
EDU	234	Infants, Toddlers, & Twos	3	0	0	3
EDU	284	Early Child Capstone Practicum	1	9	0	4
MAT	143	Quantitative Literacy	2	2	0	3
		EDU Elective IV**	1-3	0-2	0-10	1-3
		EDU Elective V**	1-3	0-2	0-10	1-3
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			8-12	11-15	0-10	12-16

Total Credit Hours

65

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**SEMESTER SCHEDULE
ECE: SPECIAL EDUCATION (DIPLOMA) (D55220)**

			Work/			
			Class	Lab	Clinical	Credit
First Year – Fall Semester						
ACA	122	College Transfer Success	0	2	0	1

EDU	119	Intro to Early Childhood Education	4	0	0	4
EDU	131	Child, Family, & Community	3	0	0	3
EDU	144	Child Development I	3	0	0	3
EDU	145	Child Development II	3	0	0	3
			13	2	0	14
First Year – Spring Semester						
COM	231	Public Speaking	3	0	0	3
	or					
ENG	111	Writing and Inquiry	3	0	0	3
EDU	146	Child Guidance	3	0	0	3
EDU	151	Creative Activities	3	0	0	3
EDU	153	Health, Safety, & Nutrition	3	0	0	3
EDU	221	Children with Exceptionalities	3	0	0	3
			15	0	0	15
Second Year – Fall Semester						
EDU	154	Social/Emotional/Behavioral Development	3	0	0	3
EDU	223	Specific Learning Disabilities	3	0	0	3
EDU	247	Sensory/Physical Disabilities	3	0	0	3
EDU	248	Developmental Delays	3	0	0	3
			12	0	0	12
Total Credit Hours						41

**SEMESTER SCHEDULE
EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION (CERTIFICATE) (C55220)**

			Work/			
			Class	Lab	Clinical	Credit
ACA	122	College Transfer Success	0	2	0	1
EDU	119	Intro to Early Childhood Education	4	0	0	4
EDU	131	Child, Family, & Community	3	0	0	3
EDU	144	Child Development I	3	0	0	3
EDU	145	Child Development II	3	0	0	3
EDU	173	Becoming a Professional in ECE	3	0	0	3
Total Credit Hours						17

**EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION: CAREER TRACK (A55220C) (ONLINE)
COURSE REQUIREMENTS**

Students must meet eligibility to take college-level coursework through placement tests or other measures. Please see the Student Handbook for further information.

				Work/			
				Class	Lab	Clinical	Credit
A. General Education Courses							
1. Required Courses							
COM	231	Public Speaking		3	0	0	3
or							
ENG	112	Writing/Research in the Disciplines		3	0	0	3
ENG	111	Writing and Inquiry		3	0	0	3
MAT	143	Quantitative Literacy		2	2	0	3
PSY	150	General Psychology		3	0	0	3
		Humanities/Fine Arts Elective*		3	0	0	3
B. Major Courses							
1. Core Courses							
<i>To receive a degree, diploma or certificate from RCC, a student must have a grade of "C" or better in all core courses for the program of study.</i>							
EDU	119	Intro to Early Childhood Education		4	0	0	4
EDU	131	Child, Family, & Community		3	0	0	3
EDU	144	Child Development I		3	0	0	3
EDU	145	Child Development II		3	0	0	3
EDU	146	Child Guidance		3	0	0	3
EDU	151	Creative Activities		3	0	0	3
EDU	153	Health, Safety, & Nutrition		3	0	0	3
EDU	221	Children with Exceptionalities		3	0	0	3
EDU	234	Infants, Toddlers, & Twos		3	0	0	3
EDU	280	Language & Literacy Experiences		3	0	0	3
EDU	284	Early Child Capstone Practicum		1	9	0	4
2. Other Major Courses							
EDU Online Electives (Select a minimum of 14 credit hours from the following)**							
CIS	110	Introduction to Computers		2	2	0	3
EDU	114	Intro to Family Childcare		3	0	0	3
EDU	154	Social/Emotional/Behavioral Dev		3	0	0	3
EDU	158	Healthy Lifestyles-Youth		3	0	0	3
EDU	161	Introduction to Exceptional Children		3	0	0	3
EDU	162	Observation & Assessment in ECE		3	0	0	3
EDU	163	Classroom Mgt & Instruction		3	0	0	3
EDU	173	Becoming a Professional in ECE		3	0	0	3
EDU	187	Teaching & Learning for All		3	3	0	4
EDU	216	Foundations of Education		3	0	0	3
EDU	223	Specific Learning Disabilities		3	0	0	3
EDU	235	School-Age Dev & Programs		3	0	0	3

EDU 247	Sensory & Physical Disabilities	3	0	0	3
EDU 248	Developmental Delays	3	0	0	3
EDU 250	Teacher Licensure Preparation	3	0	0	3
EDU 259	Curriculum Planning	3	0	0	3
EDU 261	Early Childhood Administration I	3	0	0	3
EDU 262	Early Childhood Administration II	3	0	0	3
EDU 263	School-Age Program Administration	2	0	0	2
EDU 275	Effective Teacher Training	2	0	0	2
EDU 279	Literacy Development & Instruction	3	3	0	4
EDU 289	Advance Issues/School-Age	2	0	0	2
WBL 111	Work-Based Learning I	0	0	10	1
WBL 115	Work-Based Learning Seminar I	1	0	0	1

C. Other Required Courses

ACA 122	College Transfer Success	0	2	0	1
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Total Credit Hours

65

*Approved Online Humanities/Fine Arts Electives are: ART 111, ENG 131, ENG 231, MUS 110, PHI 240, REL 211, and REL 212.

SEMESTER SCHEDULE

EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION: CAREER TRACK (A55220C) (ONLINE)

		Work/			
		Class	Lab	Clinical	Credit
First Year – Fall Semester					
ACA 122	College Transfer Success	0	2	0	1
EDU 119	Intro to Early Childhood Education	4	0	0	4
EDU 131	Child, Family, & Community	3	0	0	3
EDU 144	Child Development I	3	0	0	3
EDU 145	Child Development II	3	0	0	3
ENG 111	Writing and Inquiry	3	0	0	3
		16	2	0	17
First Year – Spring Semester					
COM 231	Public Speaking	3	0	0	3
or					
ENG 112	Writing/Research in the Disciplines	3	0	0	3
EDU 146	Child Guidance	3	0	0	3
EDU 151	Creative Activities	3	0	0	3
EDU 153	Health, Safety, & Nutrition	3	0	0	3
	EDU Elective I**	1-3	0-2	0-10	1-3
		13-15	0-2	0-10	13-15
Second Year – Fall Semester					
EDU 221	Children with Exceptionalities	3	0	0	3

EDU	280	Language & Literacy Experiences	3	0	0	3
PSY	150	General Psychology	3	0	0	3
		EDU Elective II**	1-3	0-2	0-10	1-3
		EDU Elective III**	1-3	0-2	0-10	1-3
		Humanities/Fine Arts Elective*	3	0	0	3
			—	—	—	—
			14-18	0-4	0-10	14-18

Second Year – Spring Semester

EDU	234	Infants, Toddlers, & Twos	3	0	0	3
EDU	284	Early Child Capstone Practicum	1	9	0	4
MAT	143	Quantitative Literacy	2	2	0	3
		EDU Elective IV**	1-3	0-2	0-10	1-3
		EDU Elective V**	1-3	0-2	0-10	1-3
			—	—	—	—
			8-12	11-15	0-10	12-16

Total Credit Hours

65

*Approved Online Humanities/Fine Arts Electives are: ART 111, ENG 131, ENG 231, MUS 110, PHI 240, REL 211, and REL 212.

SEMESTER SCHEDULE

ECE: SPECIAL EDUCATION (DIPLOMA) (D55220) (ONLINE)

			Work/			
			Class	Lab	Clinical	Credit
First Year – Fall Semester						
ACA	122	College Transfer Success	0	2	0	1
EDU	119	Intro to Early Childhood Education	4	0	0	4
EDU	131	Child, Family, & Community	3	0	0	3
EDU	144	Child Development I	3	0	0	3
EDU	145	Child Development II	3	0	0	3
			—	—	—	—
			13	2	0	14
First Year – Spring Semester						
COM	231	Public Speaking	3	0	0	3
or						
ENG	111	Writing and Inquiry	3	0	0	3
EDU	146	Child Guidance	3	0	0	3
EDU	151	Creative Activities	3	0	0	3
EDU	153	Health, Safety, & Nutrition	3	0	0	3
EDU	221	Children with Exceptionalities	3	0	0	3
			—	—	—	—
			15	0	0	15
Second Year – Fall Semester						
EDU	154	Social/Emotional/Behavioral Development	3	0	0	3

EDU 223	Specific Learning Disabilities	3	0	0	3
EDU 247	Sensory/Physical Disabilities	3	0	0	3
EDU 248	Developmental Delays	3	0	0	3
		12	0	0	12

Total Credit Hours **41**

SEMESTER SCHEDULE
EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION (CERTIFICATE) (C55220) (ONLINE)

			Class	Lab	Work/ Clinical	Credit
ACA 122	College Transfer Success	0	2	0	1	
EDU 119	Intro to Early Childhood Education	4	0	0	4	
EDU 131	Child, Family, & Community	3	0	0	3	
EDU 144	Child Development I	3	0	0	3	
EDU 145	Child Development II	3	0	0	3	
EDU 173	Becoming a Professional in ECE	3	0	0	3	

Total Credit Hours **17**

*Students taking the following Early Childhood Education Electives as part of their degree program will also earn a **Special Education Diploma**: EDU 154, EDU 223, EDU 247, and EDU 248.*

Students enrolled in EDU 284, wishing to complete hours outside of Richmond county and Scotland county North Carolina must complete practicum hours at a location meeting one of the following criteria: NAEYC accredited; a Public School Pre-K-3rd grade; Head Start or Early Head Start; or NACCRA accredited. The student must be directly supervised by an individual holding an associate degree or higher in Early Childhood Education or related program.

EDU 114 and EDU 119 have components of the course using the North Carolina Foundations for Early Learning and Development, which is a free resource.

The courses listed on this program guide are the courses currently offered online through Richmond Community College. Please speak to your advisor if you have taken courses at another college or university. Please see the Student Handbook for the courses, which are part of the North Carolina Articulation Agreement. The North Carolina Comprehensive Articulation Agreement is a statewide agreement governing transfer credits from North Carolina community colleges to North Carolina public universities and participating private universities. RichmondCC cannot guarantee the transfer of courses to out-of-state universities.

**EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION: LICENSURE TRANSFER TRACK (A55220L)
COURSE REQUIREMENTS**

				Work/			
				Class	Lab	Clinical	Credit
A. General Education Academic Courses							
1. Required Courses							
AST	111	Descriptive Astronomy		3	0	0	3
AST	111A	Descriptive Astronomy Lab		0	2	0	1
BIO	111	General Biology I		3	3	0	4
COM	231	Public Speaking		3	0	0	3
ENG	111	Writing and Inquiry		3	0	0	3
ENG	112	Writing/Research in the Disciplines		3	0	0	3
MAT	143	Quantitative Literacy		2	2	0	3
PSY	150	General Psychology		3	0	0	3
		Humanities/Fine Arts Elective*		3	0	0	3
		Social/Behavioral Elective**		3	0	0	3
B. Major Courses							
1. Core Courses							
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EDU	119	Intro to Early Childhood Education		4	0	0	4
EDU	131	Child, Family, & Community		3	0	0	3
EDU	144	Child Development I		3	0	0	3
EDU	145	Child Development II		3	0	0	3
EDU	146	Child Guidance		3	0	0	3
EDU	151	Creative Activities		3	0	0	3
EDU	153	Health, Safety, & Nutrition		3	0	0	3
EDU	216	Foundations of Education		3	0	0	3
EDU	221	Children with Exceptionalities		3	0	0	3
EDU	234	Infants, Toddlers, & Twos		3	0	0	3
EDU	250	Teacher Licensure Preparation		3	0	0	3
EDU	280	Language & Literacy Experiences		3	0	0	3
EDU	284	Early Child Capstone Practicum		1	9	0	4
C. Other Required Courses							
ACA	122	College Transfer Success		0	2	0	1

Total Credit Hours

71

*Approved Humanities/Fine Arts Electives: ART 111, MUS 110, or PHI 240.

**Approved Social/Behavioral Electives: ECO 251, ECO 252, HIS 111, HIS 112, HIS 131, HIS 132, POL 120, or SOC 210.

SEMESTER SCHEDULE
EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION: LICENSURE TRANSFER TRACK (A55220L)

			Class	Lab	Work/ Clinical	Credit
First Year – Fall Semester						
ACA	122	College Transfer Success	0	2	0	1
EDU	119	Intro to Early Childhood Education	4	0	0	4
EDU	131	Child, Family, & Community	3	0	0	3
EDU	144	Child Development I	3	0	0	3
EDU	145	Child Development II	3	0	0	3
ENG	111	Writing and Inquiry	3	0	0	3
			—	—	—	—
			16	2	0	17
First Year – Spring Semester						
ENG	112	Writing/Research in the Disciplines	3	0	0	3
EDU	146	Child Guidance	3	0	0	3
EDU	151	Creative Activities	3	0	0	3
EDU	153	Health, Safety, & Nutrition	3	0	0	3
MAT	143	Quantitative Literacy	2	2	0	3
PSY	150	General Psychology	3	0	0	3
			—	—	—	—
			17	2	0	18
Second Year – Fall Semester						
BIO	111	General Biology I	3	3	0	4
COM	231	Public Speaking	3	0	0	3
EDU	221	Children with Exceptionalities	3	0	0	3
EDU	280	Language & Literacy Experiences	3	0	0	3
		Humanities/Fine Arts Elective*	3	0	0	3
		Social/Behavioral Elective**	3	0	0	3
			—	—	—	—
			18	3	0	19
Second Year – Spring Semester						
AST	111	Descriptive Astronomy	3	0	0	3
AST	111A	Descriptive Astronomy Lab	0	2	0	1
EDU	216	Foundations of Education	3	0	0	3
EDU	234	Infants, Toddlers, & Twos	3	0	0	3
EDU	250	Teacher Licensure Preparation	3	0	0	3
EDU	284	Early Child Capstone Practicum	1	9	0	4
			—	—	—	—
			13	11	0	17
Total Credit Hours					71	

*Approved Humanities/Fine Arts Electives: ART 111, MUS 110, or PHI 240.

**Approved Social/Behavioral Electives: ECO 251, ECO 252, HIS 111, HIS 112, HIS 131, HIS 132, POL 120, or SOC 210.

**EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION: LICENSURE TRANSFER TRACK (A55220L)
(ONLINE)
COURSE REQUIREMENTS**

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				Work/			
				Class	Lab	Clinical	Credit
A. General Education Academic Courses							
1. Required Courses							
AST	111	Descriptive Astronomy		3	0	0	3
AST	111A	Descriptive Astronomy Lab		0	2	0	1
BIO	111	General Biology I		3	3	0	4
COM	231	Public Speaking		3	0	0	3
ENG	111	Writing and Inquiry		3	0	0	3
ENG	112	Writing/Research in the Disciplines		3	0	0	3
MAT	143	Quantitative Literacy		2	2	0	3
PSY	150	General Psychology		3	0	0	3
		Humanities/Fine Arts Elective*		3	0	0	3
		Social/Behavioral Elective**		3	0	0	3
B. Major Courses							
1. Core Courses							
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EDU	119	Intro to Early Childhood Education		4	0	0	4
EDU	131	Child, Family, & Community		3	0	0	3
EDU	144	Child Development I		3	0	0	3
EDU	145	Child Development II		3	0	0	3
EDU	146	Child Guidance		3	0	0	3
EDU	151	Creative Activities		3	0	0	3
EDU	153	Health, Safety, & Nutrition		3	0	0	3
EDU	216	Foundations of Education		3	0	0	3
EDU	221	Children with Exceptionalities		3	0	0	3
EDU	234	Infants, Toddlers, & Twos		3	0	0	3
EDU	250	Teacher Licensure Preparation		3	0	0	3
EDU	280	Language & Literacy Experiences		3	0	0	3
EDU	284	Early Child Capstone Practicum		1	9	0	4
C. Other Required Courses							
ACA	122	College Transfer Success		0	2	0	1

Total Credit Hours

71

*Approved Humanities/Fine Arts Electives: ART 111, MUS 110, or PHI 240.

**Approved Social/Behavioral Electives: ECO 251, ECO 252, HIS 111, HIS 112, HIS 131, HIS 132, POL 120, or SOC 210.

SEMESTER SCHEDULE
EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION: LICENSURE TRANSFER TRACK (ONLINE)

			Class	Lab	Work/ Clinical	Credit
First Year – Fall Semester						
ACA	122	College Transfer Success	0	2	0	1
EDU	119	Intro to Early Childhood Education	4	0	0	4
EDU	131	Child, Family, & Community	3	0	0	3
EDU	144	Child Development I	3	0	0	3
EDU	145	Child Development II	3	0	0	3
ENG	111	Writing and Inquiry	3	0	0	3
			—	—	—	—
			16	2	0	17
First Year – Spring Semester						
ENG	112	Writing/Research in the Disciplines	3	0	0	3
EDU	146	Child Guidance	3	0	0	3
EDU	151	Creative Activities	3	0	0	3
EDU	153	Health, Safety, & Nutrition	3	0	0	3
MAT	143	Quantitative Literacy	2	2	0	3
PSY	150	General Psychology	3	0	0	3
			—	—	—	—
			17	2	0	18
Second Year – Fall Semester						
BIO	111	General Biology I	3	3	0	4
COM	231	Public Speaking	3	0	0	3
EDU	221	Children with Exceptionalities	3	0	0	3
EDU	280	Language & Literacy Experiences	3	0	0	3
		Humanities/Fine Arts Elective*	3	0	0	3
		Social/Behavioral Elective**	3	0	0	3
			—	—	—	—
			18	3	0	19
Second Year – Spring Semester						
AST	111	Descriptive Astronomy	3	0	0	3
AST	111A	Descriptive Astronomy Lab	0	2	0	1
EDU	216	Foundations of Education	3	0	0	3
EDU	234	Infants, Toddlers, & Twos	3	0	0	3
EDU	250	Teacher Licensure Preparation	3	0	0	3
EDU	284	Early Child Capstone Practicum	1	9	0	4
			—	—	—	—
			13	11	0	17
Total Credit Hours					71	

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**EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION: NON-LICENSURE TRANSFER TRACK
(A55220N)
COURSE REQUIREMENTS**

			Class	Lab	Work/ Clinical	Credit
A. General Education Academic Courses						
1. Required Courses						
AST	111	Descriptive Astronomy	3	0	0	3
AST	111A	Descriptive Astronomy Lab	0	2	0	1
BIO	111	General Biology I	3	3	0	4
COM	231	Public Speaking	3	0	0	3
ENG	111	Writing and Inquiry	3	0	0	3
ENG	112	Writing/Research in the Disciplines	3	0	0	3
MAT	143	Quantitative Literacy	2	2	0	3
PSY	150	General Psychology	3	0	0	3
		Humanities/Fine Arts Elective*	3	0	0	3
		Social/Behavioral Elective**	3	0	0	3
B. Major Courses						
1. Core Courses						
<i>To receive a degree, diploma or certificate from RCC, a student must have a grade of "C" or better in all core courses for the program of study.</i>						
EDU	119	Intro to Early Childhood Education	4	0	0	4
EDU	131	Child, Family, & Community	3	0	0	3
EDU	144	Child Development I	3	0	0	3
EDU	145	Child Development II	3	0	0	3
EDU	146	Child Guidance	3	0	0	3
EDU	151	Creative Activities	3	0	0	3
EDU	153	Health, Safety, & Nutrition	3	0	0	3
EDU	221	Children with Exceptionalities	3	0	0	3
EDU	234	Infants, Toddlers, & Twos	3	0	0	3
EDU	261	Early Childhood Administration I	3	0	0	3
EDU	262	Early Childhood Administration II	3	0	0	3
EDU	280	Language & Literacy Experiences	3	0	0	3
EDU	284	Early Child Capstone Practicum	1	9	0	4
C. Other Required Courses						
ACA	122	College Transfer Success	0	2	0	1

Total Credit Hours

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SEMESTER SCHEDULE
EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION: NON-LICENSURE TRANSFER TRACK

			Work/			
			Class	Lab	Clinical	Credit
First Year – Fall Semester						
ACA	122	College Transfer Success	0	2	0	1
EDU	119	Intro to Early Childhood Education	4	0	0	4
EDU	131	Child, Family, & Community	3	0	0	3
EDU	144	Child Development I	3	0	0	3
EDU	145	Child Development II	3	0	0	3
ENG	111	Writing and Inquiry	3	0	0	3
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			16	2	0	17
First Year – Spring Semester						
ENG	112	Writing/Research in the Disciplines	3	0	0	3
EDU	146	Child Guidance	3	0	0	3
EDU	151	Creative Activities	3	0	0	3
EDU	153	Health, Safety, & Nutrition	3	0	0	3
MAT	143	Quantitative Literacy	2	2	0	3
PSY	150	General Psychology	3	0	0	3
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			17	2	0	18
Second Year – Fall Semester						
BIO	111	General Biology I	3	3	0	4
COM	231	Public Speaking	3	0	0	3
EDU	221	Children with Exceptionalities	3	0	0	3
EDU	280	Language & Literacy Experiences	3	0	0	3
		Humanities/Fine Arts Elective*	3	0	0	3
		Social/Behavioral Elective**	3	0	0	3
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			18	3	0	19
Second Year – Spring Semester						
AST	111	Descriptive Astronomy	3	0	0	3
AST	111A	Descriptive Astronomy Lab	0	2	0	1
EDU	234	Infants, Toddlers, & Twos	3	0	0	3
EDU	261	Early Childhood Administration I	3	0	0	3
EDU	262	Early Childhood Administration II	3	0	0	3
EDU	284	Early Child Capstone Practicum	1	9	0	4
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			13	11	0	17

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(A55220N) (ONLINE)
COURSE REQUIREMENTS**

Students must meet eligibility to take college-level coursework through placement tests or other measures. Please see the Student Handbook for further information.

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				Class	Lab	Clinical	Credit
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Early Childhood Preschool (Certificate) (C55860)

This curriculum prepares individuals to work with preschool aged children (3-5) in diverse learning environments. Students will combine learned theories, competency-based knowledge, and practice in actual settings with preschool children.

Course work includes child growth and development, physical/nutritional needs of preschool children, safety issues in the care of preschool children; care and guidance; communication skills with families and children; design and implementation of appropriate curriculum; and other related topics.

Graduates should be prepared to plan and implement developmentally appropriate preschool programs in early childhood settings. Employment opportunities include child development and child care programs, preschools, public and private schools, recreational centers, Head Start Programs, and other preschool programs.

COURSE REQUIREMENTS

Richmond Community College provides day and evening course sequences for selected programs to enable students to better plan what courses to take to reach their educational goals. However, given the continued increase in the use of technology in instruction and increasing student demand for distance learning courses, the College may offer hybrid, online, web-based and information highway courses in place of traditional courses in any course sequence that is listed. Therefore, students should be aware of this possibility and prepare themselves to successfully function in a hybrid, online, web-based, or information highway course.

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Total Credit Hours					16	