

Child Development and Family Studies

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B.A. Degree

Minimum Requirements for Degree: 126 or 127 credits

This program provides the necessary preparation for early childhood educators who wish to advance their professional knowledge and career opportunities with specialized study in curriculum, administration or family support. A strong desire to work in an early care and education setting with children and their families is important.

Students who have completed the A.A.S. in early childhood education program will have completed the first part of the B.A. program, although completion of the A.A.S. degree is not a requirement for entry to this program. Students majoring in this program must work closely with their advisors and be willing to work collaboratively within their concentration to fulfill the practicum components of the course of study.

This program is available through flexible course delivery methods to early childhood educators living in both rural and urban Alaska. Graduates are highly competitive candidates for positions of greater responsibility and compensation in the early care and education profession in Alaska.

Major—B.A. Degree

Concentrations: Administration, Curriculum and Teaching, Family Support

1. Complete the general university requirements. (See page 116. As part of the core curriculum requirements, BIOL 104X and GEOS 120X or GEOG 205X are recommended. LING 303W, O is recommended to fulfill one of the writing and oral intensive course requirements.)
2. Complete the B.A. degree requirements. (See page 120. As part of the B.A. social science degree requirements, complete ECE 245 and PSY 101. The following courses are also recommended for the humanities/social science requirements: SOC 350W, ASL 101 and ANS 330. Remaining course requirements should be chosen in consultation with your advisor.)
3. Complete the following program (major) requirements:
 - a. ECE 101—Overview of the Profession 3
 - ECE 110—Safe Healthy Learning Environments 3
 - ECE 111—Nutrition 1
 - ECE 130—Culture, Learning and the Young Child 2
 - ECE 210—Child Guidance 3
 - ECE 220—Infant and Toddler Care 3
 - ECE 230—Introduction to Children with Special Needs 3
 - or ECE 240—Inclusion of Children with Special Needs 3
 - ECE 270—Practicum II 3
 - ECE 3420—Family Relationships 3
 - ECE 445W—Adolescence through the Lifespan 3
 - ECE 470—Advanced Practicum 3

4. Complete one of the following specialized areas:*

Administration

- a. Complete the following 21 credits:
 - ECE 340—Financial Management 3
 - ECE 341—Personnel Management 3
 - CIOS 150—Computer Business Applications 3
 - ENGL 212—Business, Grant and Report Writing 3
 - BA S301—Principles of Management (UAS) 3
 - or ABUS 301W—Leadership 3
 - BA S343—Principles of Marketing (UAS) 3
 - BA S490—Political and Social Environment of Business (UAS) 3

Note: This specialization is offered in collaboration with the University of Alaska Southeast. For course descriptions of UAS courses see current University of Alaska Southeast catalog. These courses are available by distance delivery.

- b. Minimum credits required 129

Curriculum and Teaching

- a. Complete the following 21 credits:
 - ECE 140—Social Development 3
 - ECE 120A—Curriculum I 3
 - ECE 310—Constructivist Curriculum 3
 - ECE 360—Assessment in Early Childhood 3
 - ECE 420W—Developing Literacy in the Early Years 3
 - ECE 430—Fine Arts in the Early Years 3
 - ECE 440—Exploring Math and Science in the Early Years 3
- b. Minimum credits required 129

Family Support

- a. Complete the following 21 credits:
 - ECE 132—Young Child and the Family 1
 - HUMS 265—Substance Abuse and the Family 2
 - SOC 242—The Family: A Cross Cultural Perspective 3
 - or ECE 242—Child and Family Ecology 3
 - ECE 301—Parents as Partners in Education 3
 - SWK 350W—Women's Issues in Social Welfare and Social Work Practice 3
 - SWK 360—Child Abuse and Neglect 3
 - ANTH 407—Kinship and Social Organization 3
 - ECE 442—Family Resource Management 3
- b. Minimum credits required 129

*Student must earn a C grade or better in each course.

Baccalaureate Core Requirements

All degrees (e.g. B.A., B.S., etc.) require additional courses.
Refer to specific degree and program requirements.

COMMUNICATION (9)

Complete the following:

ENGL 111X(3) _____
ENGL 190H may be substituted.

Complete one of the following:

ENGL 211X OR ENGL 213X(3) _____

Complete one of the following:

COMM 131X OR COMM 141X(3) _____

PERSPECTIVES ON THE HUMAN CONDITION (18)

Complete all of the following four courses:

ANTH 100X/SOC 100X(3) _____
ECON 100X OR PS 100X(3) _____
HIST 100X(3) _____
ENGL/FL 200X(3) _____

Complete one of the following three courses:

ART/MUS/THR 200X, HUM 201X OR ANS 202X(3) _____

Complete one of the following six courses:

BA 323X, COMM 300X, JUST 300X, NRM 303X,
PS 300X OR PHIL 322X(3) _____

OR complete 12 credits from the above courses PLUS

- two semester-length courses in a single Alaska Native language or other non-English language OR
- three semester-length courses (9 credits) in American Sign Language taken at the university level.

MATHEMATICS (3)

Complete one of the following:

MATH 103X, MATH 107X, MATH 161X OR STAT 200X(3-4) _____
* No credit may be earned for more than one of MATH 107X or 161X.

OR complete one of the following:*

MATH 200X, MATH 201X, MATH 202X,
MATH 262X OR MATH 272X(4) _____

*Or any math course having one of these as a prerequisite

NATURAL SCIENCES (8)

Complete any two (4-credit) courses:

ATM 101X(4) _____
BIOL 100X(4) _____
BIOL 103X(4) _____
BIOL 104X(4) _____
BIOL 105X(4) _____
BIOL 106X(4) _____
BIOL 111X(4) _____
BIOL 112X(4) _____
CHEM 100X(4) _____
CHEM 103X(4) _____
CHEM 104X(4) _____
CHEM 105X(4) _____
CHEM 106X(4) _____
GEOG 205X(4) _____
GEOS 100X(4) _____
GEOS 101X(4) _____
GEOS 112X(4) _____
GEOS 120X(4) _____
GEOS 125X(4) _____
MSL 111X(4) _____
PHYS 102X(4) _____
PHYS 103X(4) _____
PHYS 104X(4) _____
PHYS 115X(4) _____
PHYS 116X(4) _____
PHYS 175X(4) _____
PHYS 211X(4) _____
PHYS 212X(4) _____
PHYS 213X(4) _____

LIBRARY AND INFORMATION RESEARCH (0-1)

Successful completion of library skills competency test OR
LS 100X or 101X prior to junior standing(0-1) _____

UPPER-DIVISION WRITING AND ORAL COMMUNICATION (0)

Complete the following:

Two writing intensive courses designated (W)(0) _____
One oral communication intensive course designated (O)(0) _____
OR two oral communication intensive courses designated (O/2), at the upper-division level (see degree and/or major requirements).....(0) _____

TOTAL CREDITS REQUIRED.....38-39