

Early Childhood Education

The following is presented as an articulation agreement between Moraine Valley Community College (MVCC) and Governors State University (GovState) for the Early Childhood Education degree program based on the current catalogs of both schools. The student would complete an Associate of Arts (AA) from MVCC and a Bachelor of Arts (BA) degree in Early Childhood Education from GovState. **The Early Childhood Education program has special admissions requirements; please review the GovState catalog for more information.**

I. TRANSFERABLE GENERAL EDUCATION: (49-52 Hours)

Written Communication (9 hours)

- COM 101 - Composition I (3)
- COM 102 - Composition II (3)
- COM 103 - Speech Fundamentals (3)

Humanities and Fine Arts (9 hours)

- LIT 205 - Literature for Children/Young Adults (3)
- IAI Humanities Courses (3)
- IAI Fine Arts Course (3)

Mathematics for Elementary Teachers (6 hours)

- MTH 121 - Mathematics for Teachers I (3)
- MTH 122 - Mathematics for Teachers II (3)

Biological and Physical Science (10 hours)

- Choose one:** IAI Biology Course (3)
- Choose one:** IAI Physical Science Course (3)
- Choose one:** EAS 120 - Intro to Earth Science (4) or EAS 125 - Intro to Weather and Climate (4) or PHS 103 - Descriptive Astronomy (4)

Social and Behavioral Sciences (12 hours)

- GEO102 - World Regional Geography (3)
- PSC 110 - American National Government (3)
- HIS 201 or HIS 202 – US History I or II (3)
- PSY 101 - Introduction to Psychology (3) (Meets PSYC-1101)

Health Course (3 Hours)

- ECE 105 - Health, Safety and Nutrition (3) (Meets Health requirement at GovState)

II. AREA OF CONCENTRATION/MAJOR FIELD (12 Hours)

Professional Education Core Courses (12 hours)

Grade of B- or better required for professional education courses below.

- ECE 101 - Intro to Early Childhood (3) (Meets EDEC 2310)
- EDU 110 - Technology for Educators (3) (Meets EDCP 2101)
- EDU 111 - Intro to the Exceptional Child (3) (Meets SPED 2100)
- ECE 202 - Growth and Development/Young Child (3) (Meets EDUC-2330)

Minimum Hours AA degree at MVCC: 62 Hours

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III. TO BE COMPLETED AT GOVSTATE (59 Hours)

Professional Education Courses (53 hours) (To be completed for Option I)

- EDEC 3099 - Junior Seminar: Dev Appropriate Practices in Early Childhood Education (3)
- EDEC 3333 - Educating the Whole Child: Arts, Outdoor Learning/Healthy Living in Early Childhood (3)
- EDUC 3410 - Classroom Management and Responsive Learning Environments (3)
- EDUC 3550 - Applying Educational Psychology (3)
- EDEC 3570 - Assessment and Differentiated Instruction for Diverse Learners in Early Childhood (3)
- EDEC 3580 - Linguistics/Language Dev in Early Childhood and Diverse Language Learners (3)
- EDEC 3590 - Science Methods and STEAM in Early Childhood Education (3)
- EDEC 4550 - Family, Culture, and Community in Early Development (3)
- EDEC 4551 - Field Experience: Applied Practice in Infant & Toddler Classrooms (2)
- EDEC 4560 - Integrated Soc Studies and Literacy: Supporting CRTL and Diverse Learners in ECE (3)
- EDEC 4561 - Field Experience: Applied Science and Social Studies Methods in Early Childhood (2)
- EDEC 4570 - Literacy Methods in Early Childhood Education (3)
- EDEC 4571 - Field Experience: Applied Literacy Methods in Early Childhood (2)
- EDEC 4580 - Math Methods in Early Childhood Education (3)
- EDEC 4581 - Field Experience: Applied Math Methods in Early Childhood (2)
- EDEC 4999 - Senior Capstone: Student Teaching in Early Childhood Education (12)

Teacher Specialization Coursework (6 hours)

- BBED 4501 - Teaching English as a Second Language (3)
- BBED 4520 - Foundations of Bilingual and ESL Education (3)

Minimum Required for BA in Early Childhood Education – Teacher Licensure: 121 Hours

For Additional Information:

Governors State University
Jaguar Transfer Evaluator at
<https://govst.transfer.degree/>

Visit the College of Education and Human
Development at www.govst.edu/cehd

Scholarship Information at
www.govst.edu/scholarships

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