

Early Childhood Education

The following is presented as an articulation agreement between Kankakee Community College (KCC) 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 KCC and a Bachelors of Arts (BA) degree in Early Childhood Education (Traditional Licensure) from GovState. **The Early Childhood Education program has special admissions requirements; please review the GovState catalog for more information.**

I. TRANSFERABLE GENERAL EDUCATION (49 Hours)

Written Communication (9 hours)

- ENGL 1613 - English I (3)
- ENGL 1623 - English II (3)
- COMM 1553 - Introductory Speech (3)

Humanities and Fine Arts (9 hours)

- Fine Arts Course (3)*
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Mathematics for Elementary Teachers (6 hours)

- MATH 1613 - Mathematics for Elementary Teachers I (3)
- MATH 1623 - Mathematics for Elementary Teachers II (3)

Biological, Physical Science and Earth Science(10 hours)

- PSCI 1524- Earth Science and Astronomy (4)
- Choose one:** IAI Biology Course with Lab (3-4)
- Choose one:** IAI Chemistry or Physical Science Course (3)

Social and Behavioral Sciences (12 hours)

- GEOG 1513 - World Regional Geography (3) (*Meets Non-Western Cultures Requirement*)
- PLSC 1513 - American Government (3)
- PSYC 1813 - Introduction to Psychology (3)
- Choose one:** - HIST 2513 - History of the United States to 1877 (3) or HIST 2523 –History of the United States from 1877 to Present (3)

Other (3 Hours)

- Choose one:** - CDEV 2633 – Health, Nutrition and Safety (3) or HLTH 1513 - Nutrition (3)

***Refer to the KCC AA/AS guidelines for a list of course choices in Section I and all grades must be a “C” or better.**

II. AREA OF CONCENTRATION/MAJOR FIELD (15 Hours)

Professional Education Core Courses (15 hours)

Grade of B- or better required.

- ECED 1513 - Child Growth and Development (3) (Meets EDEC 2220)
- EDUC 1833 - The Exceptional Learner (3) (Meets SPED 2100)
- ECED 2013 - History & Philosophy of Early Child Ed (3) (Meets EDEC 2310)
- EDUC 1763 - Technology in Education (3) (Meets EDCP 2101)
- ENGL 2553 – Children’s Literature (3)*

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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 Transcript Evaluator
at <https://govst.transfer.degree/>

Kankakee Community College
(815) 802-8208
www.kcc.edu/transfer

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

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