

Liberal Arts & Sciences: Childhood Education (Utica College Transfer)

Associate in Science Degree

This program is the first step for students seeking teacher certification in Childhood Education (grades 1-6), Early Childhood/ Childhood Education (Birth-6th grade), or Childhood Special Education. 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 the Early Childhood/Childhood Education (Birth-6th grade) degree program complete 18 credits in paraprofessional and professional courses in addition to the General Education requirements. These students select a concentration when they enter 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. Individuals interested in becoming a Teacher's Assistant in a public school are encouraged to complete the Birth-6th grade degree program to meet the Federal guidelines regarding educational requirements for a classroom Teacher Assistant.

Total Credit Hours: 64

First Semester

CF100 College Foundations Seminar	1.0
ED150 Social & Philosophical Foundations of Education	3.0
EN101 English 1: Composition	3.0
MA171 Foundations of Mathematics 1	3.0
PY101 Introduction to General Psychology	3.0
Foreign Language Elective (a)	3.0
Physical Education Elective	0.5

Second Semester

ED205 Child Development	3.0
EN102 English 2: Ideas and Values in Literature	3.0
History Elective (d)	3.0
MA172 Foundations of Mathematics 2	3.0
Foreign Language Elective (a)	3.0
Physical Education Elective	0.5

Third Semester

ED201 Introduction to Early Childhood Education	3.0
ED203 Early Childhood Methods and Materials	3.0
EN240 Children's Literature	3.0
GE Natural Science Elective (b)	4.0
Fine Arts Elective (c)	3.0
Physical Education Elective	0.5

Fourth Semester

ED206 Language and Literacy in Childhood	3.0
ED211 Introduction to Exceptionalities	3.0
GE Natural Science Elective (b)	4.0
History Elective (e)	3.0
Physical Education Elective	0.5

(a) Students must complete two semesters (a six-credit sequence) of foreign language. American Sign Language counts as a foreign language in education programs at Utica College and within the SUNY System. Students who have achieved a high school average of 90 or higher in all three years of high school level language OR students who have completed an 80 or higher high school average in all four years of high school level language are exempt from this requirement; however, they must select two courses (six credits, minimum) in their chosen area of concentration to replace the foreign language courses and meet the 62-credit hour requirement for the program.

(b) Natural Science Electives include: Biology – BI103, BI105, BI141, BI216, Chemistry - CH131, CH141, Geology - GL101, Physics - PH141, PH142, PH151.

(c) Fine Arts Elective: HU187, HU204, or HU205.

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

(e) History Electives include: HI101 History of Civilization 1 OR HI102 History of Civilization 2.

*Students are required to earn a minimum grade of “C” in all educational courses to graduate from the AS program.

Notice: Students transferring to Utica College must follow this curriculum roadmap and earn a 2.75 GPA for acceptance.