Early Childhood Education

Associate in Science

DIVISION OF BUSINESS & PROFESSIONAL STUDIES

The Early Childhood Education program prepares students for positions working with children in a variety of settings including child care centers, nursery schools, family child care centers, and after school programs. The professional courses in the program provide a broad, basic understanding of children's developmental needs and a repertoire of specialized skills. Field work in approved early childhood centers, in conjunction with seminars, expose students to the practical aspects of working with children, thereby supplementing classroom theory. Electives across a variety of disciplines offer opportunity for a well-rounded education.

Graduates of the program meet the Massachusetts Department of Early Education and Care requirements for Child Care Teachers and Lead Teachers.

Students choosing to pursue public school teacher licensure programs at the bachelor's degree level should complete the Liberal Arts: Early Childhood Education or Liberal Arts: Elementary Education Program at MassBay.

Upon successful completion, the Associate in Science Degree in Early Childhood Education is awarded.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

CORI (Criminal Offender Record Information) and SORI (Sexual Offender Registry Information) background checks are required prior to practicum placement and will be conducted in accordance with state regulations. CORI and SORI results are confidential.

PROGRAM FOOTNOTES

Humanities Electives: Art, Communication, English (EN103 or higher), Film, Foreign Language, Humanities, Literature, Music, Oral Communication, Philosophy, Photography, Sign Language, Theater Arts

Social Science Electives: Anthropology, Economics, Geography, Government, History, Law, Psychology, Sociology

Quantitative skills is a MassBay graduation competency for associate degree programs. Prior to graduation, students must demonstrate this competency by completing a 100-level math course (not MAC); or placing into a 200-level mathematics course.

*A grade of C or higher is required in all Education (ED) and PS 222 Child Development courses.

This program qualifies as an Alternative Transfer Agreement (Mass Transfer) with select public institutions in Massachusetts. For more information, visit www.mass.edu/masstransfer

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