

EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION - ASSOCIATE IN EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

NMSU Alamogordo 2026-2027 Catalog

A Suggested Plan of Study - Early Childhood

Additional classes may be needed based on placement test results and course prerequisites. Visit with an advisor for help with creating a customized plan.

First Year

Fall		Credits
ECED 1110	Child Growth, Development, and Learning	3
ECED 1115	Health, Safety, and Nutrition	2
ECED 1120	Guiding Young Children	3
ENGL 1110G	Composition I	4
MATH 1134	Fundamentals of Elementary Mathematics I	3
Credits		15

Spring

CEPY 1120G	Human Growth and Behavior	3
ECED 1125	Assessment of Children and Evaluation of Programs	3
ECED 1130	Family and Community Collaboration	3
ENGL 2221G	Writing in the Humanities and Social Science	3
MATH 2134G	Fundamentals of Elementary Math II	3
Credits		15

Summer

COMM 1115G or COMM 1130G	Introduction to Communication or Public Speaking	3
Credits		3

Second Year

Fall		Credits
ECED 2110	Professionalism	2
ECED 2120	Curriculum Development through Play Birth through Age 4 (PreK) ²	3
ECED 2121	Curriculum Development through Play Birth through Age 4 (PreK) Practicum ²	2
Area III: Laboratory Science Course ¹		4
HIST 1110G or HIST 1120G	United States History I or United States History II	3
Select one from the following:		3
ARTH 1115G	Orientation in Art	
MUSC 1110G	Music Appreciation: Jazz	
MUSC 1130G	Music Appreciation: Western Music	
THEA 1110G	Introduction to Theatre	
Credits		17

Spring

ECED 2115	Introduction to Language, Literacy, and Reading	3
ECED 2130	Curriculum Development and Implementation Age 3 (PreK) through Grade 3 ²	3

ECED 2131	Curriculum Development and Implementation Age 3 (PreK) through Grade 3 Practicum ²	2
EDLT 2110	Integrating Technology with Teaching	3
Area III: Laboratory Science Course ¹		4
Select one from the following:		3
HIST 1130G	World History I	
HIST 1140G	World History II	
HIST 1150G	Western Civilization I	
HIST 1160G	Western Civilization II	
Credits		18
Total Credits		68

¹ See the General Education Section (<https://catalogs.nmsu.edu/alamogordo/general-information/general-education-new-mexico-common-core/>) of the catalog for a full list of courses.

² Course is available online from NMSU Grants. Check with Advisor.