

A.S. Early Childhood Education (60 Credits)

Guided Pathway: Associate of Science, Early Childhood Education (FULL TIME).

For more information, visit www.fgc.edu and your academic advisor.

Meta-major: Education

University Transfer: **FGC**

The Associate in Science degree in **Early Childhood Education** prepares students for a variety of careers in the area of early childhood (birth – age 4). The coursework of this program focuses on the development, care and education of young children.

This is the sequence of courses for students interested in **Early Childhood Education**. It does not represent a contract, nor does it guarantee course availability. Following this pathway will help you earn an **AS** degreeⁱⁱ. Courses that complete the degree are listed below. As always, visit your academic advisor each semester to help you keep on track for graduation.

All AS degrees must satisfy the statewide Civic Literacy requirement for graduation.
Please see the [catalog](#).



SEMESTER BY SEMESTER MAP FOR FULL- TIME STUDENTS

SEMESTER 1

ACTION ITEMS

MGF 1130 – Mathematical Thinking ^{iv} (*Mathematics Core*)

CHD 1220 – Child Growth & Development ^{iv}

EEC 2300 – Cognitive Experiences for young Children ^{iv}

EEC 1309 – Early Childhood Education Foundations ^{iv}

Approved Elective (3 credits)

- Meet with your advisor to confirm academic and career goals by the end of the semester.
- Identify at least one specialization certificate to add to your program of study.
- **REQUIRED:** Complete the **Computer Competency course** within Canvas.
- At the end of the semester, begin research on career options. Meet with a career advisor/coach to research your career options with a degree in **Early Childhood Education**.
- Submit 480-hour form to advisor to verify experience with children birth – age 8. This is required for EEC 1001.
- Identify a child care location to complete the 15-hours per week work/volunteer requirement in EEC 1001. This is birth – age 5.
- Contact location and meet all their work/volunteer requirements.

TOTAL SEMESTER CREDIT HOURS: 15

SEMESTER 2

ACTION ITEMS

ENC 1101 – Freshman Composition ^{iv} (*Communication Core*)

EEC 1600 – Guiding the Young Child ^{iv}

EEC 1001 – Introduction to Early Childhood Education^{iv}

Choose one: **AMH 2010** – US History to 1877 **OR**

AMH 2020 – US History from 1877 **OR**

POS 1041 – American Government ^{iv} (*Social Science & civic literacy*)

- Register as a new user on the DCF Training website at <https://training01-dcf.myflorida.com/studentsite/admin/login.jsf>.
- Meet with your advisor to confirm or update your academic/career pathway and program of study.
- Sign up for and pass the Florida Civic Literacy Exam.
- Begin applying for Financial Aid and Scholarships.
 - You can start the FAFSA in October for the next academic year. (*i.e., in October 2023, you can complete the FAFSA for if you plan to register for classes at a college or university Fall 2024*)

TOTAL SEMESTER CREDIT HOURS: 12

SEMESTER 3

ACTION ITEMS

EEC 1734 – Health, Nutrition, and Safety for Young Children ^{iv}

CHD 1312 – Infants and Toddlers ^{iv}

EEX 2013 – Special Needs in Early Childhood Education ^{iv}

- Check with your advisor for important deadlines and dates.

TOTAL SEMESTER CREDIT HOURS: 9

SEMESTER 4

ACTION ITEMS

Any General Education Core Humanities Course ^{iv}
(ARH1000, HUM 2020, LIT2000, MUL1010, PHI2010, THE2000)

EEC 2200 – Curriculum Overview ^{iv}

EEC 1601 – Child Study ^{iv}

Any PSY or SYG course

- Identify a child care location to complete the 15-hours per week work/volunteer requirement in EEC 2949.
- Contact location and meet all their work/volunteer requirements.

TOTAL SEMESTER CREDIT HOURS: 12

SEMESTER 5	ACTION ITEMS
Any General Education Core Natural Science course ^{iv} (AST1002, AST1002C, BSC1005, BSC2010C, BSC2085, CHM2045, EVR1001, PHY1020, PHY2048C, PHY2053C).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • After reviewing your final program of study, apply for Graduation. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Meet with your advisor to apply for graduation for your degree. ○ Sign up for commencement. • Submit a baccalaureate application for admission to FGC if you plan to continue for your bachelor degree. • Submit BEC application to advisor if you plan to continue for your bachelor degree. • Congratulations, graduate!
EEC 2401 – Home and Community ^{iv}	
EEC 2949 - Internship ^{iv}	
Approved Elective (3 credits)	
TOTAL SEMESTER CREDIT HOURS: 12	
ASEC DEGREE MINIMUM: 60 SEMESTER CREDIT HOURS PATHWAY TOTAL: 60 CREDIT HOURS	

ⁱ Degree plans may change in later catalogs. You may use this pathway if you entered the college on or before this date.

ⁱⁱ Students must earn at least 25% of the credit hours (15 hours) required for graduation through instruction by FGC to award the degree.

ⁱⁱⁱ This is not an official degree plan. For official degree requirements, [click here](#).

^{iv} You must earn a grade of "C" or better in all Gordon Rule and Early Childhood core courses.