EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION (For certification Age 3 through Grade 3)

COLLEGE: EDUCATION
SCHOOL: NONE
DEGREE: BACHELOR OF ARTS OR BACHELOR OF SCIENCE
OPTION/TRACK: NONE

LIMITED ACCESS PROGRAM: YES - THIS PROGRAM HAS ADDITIONAL ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS AS STATED BELOW.

CAMPUS(ES) WHERE OFFERED/CONTACT:
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• Program of Study at a Florida Community/Junior College or SUS School for Students Planning to Transfer to USF
(State Mandated Common Prerequisites)
Complete the A.A. degree at the community college. Some courses required for the major may also meet General Education Requirements thereby transferring maximum hours to the university. A minimum of 60 semester hours must be completed at the university unless prior approval is secured.

If students transfer without an A.A. degree and have fewer than 60 semester hours of acceptable credit, they must meet the university's entering freshman requirements including ACT or SAT test scores, GPA, and course requirements.

Students must complete the prerequisite courses listed below prior to be admitted to the upper-division major. Students who do not complete these prerequisites can be admitted to the University, but not to the upper-division major. Unless stated otherwise, a grade of "C" is the minimum acceptable grade.

EDF 1005 Introduction to Education
EDG 2701 Teaching Diverse Populations
EME 2040 Introduction to Educational Technology
(Equivalent course or demonstrated competency may be substituted)

Students should also complete 15 hours beyond those taken to meet General Education Requirements from the following liberal arts and sciences areas: a) fine arts or humanities; b) political sciences, sociology, economics, cultural geography, or speech; c) mathematics; d) natural sciences; and/or e) psychology. Among these 15 hours must be included one course in mathematics. At least one course taken to meet the natural science requirement in General Education must include a laboratory component.

• Admission Requirements to the University Program of Study
Please be aware of the immunization, foreign language, and continuous enrollment policies of the university, and qualitative standards required.

Admission will require an overall GPA of 2.5 with a minimum score of 960 on the SAT (840 if taken before April 1, 1995) or 20 on the ACT. However, an overall 2.25 GPA will be acceptable with a minimum score of 1030 on the SAT (940 if taken before April 1, 1995) or 22 on the ACT. Official grade forgiveness will be used as appropriate. Students must have passed all sections of CLAST.

Professional education courses taken at the community college will transfer as general electives.

Introduction/General Psychology and Sociology are recommended.

• Requirements for the B.S. Degree
Professional Education (28-30):

EDF 4111 Child Growth and Development (3)
EEC 4940 Internship: Early Childhood (10-12)
EEC 4941 Field Experience I (3)
EEC 4942 Field Experience II (3)
EEC 4943 Field Experience III (3)
EEC 4200 Young Children With Special Needs (3)
EEC 4230 Assessment, Evaluation and Reporting Process (3)

Specialization (30):

EEC 4008* Literature in Early Childhood Education (3)
EEC 4203 Programs for Young Children (3)
EEC 4211 Integrated Curriculum: Science and Mathematics (3)
EEC 4212 Integrated Curriculum: Social Sciences/Humanities & Arts (3)
EEC 4300 Cognitive Experiences for Young Children (3)
EEC 4303 Creative and Affective Experiences for Young Children (3)
EEC 4401 Child, Family and Teacher Relations (3)
EEC 4706 Language and Emerging Literacy (3)
HSC 3301 Health, Safety, Nutrition and Motor Skills for Young Children (3)
RED 4310 Early Literacy Learning (3)

*approved Liberal Arts Exit Requirement