



**EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION (CAREER)  
Degree Program**

Career Curriculum ECE 0005  
Associate in Applied Science  
Minimum Hrs. 63  
Major Code: 1.2 190709C

**FIRST YEAR – FALL SEMESTER**

Dept. No.	Hrs.	Gr.
ECE 150 Infancy Development	3	___
ECE 155 The Early Childhood Profession	3	___
ECE 160 Development and Care of Children	4	___
ECE 272 Language and Literacy Development	3	___
PSY 132 General Psychology	3	___
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**FIRST YEAR – SPRING SEMESTER**

Dept. No.	Hrs.	Gr.
ALH 101 Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation	1	___
ART 111 Art Appreciation OR ART 210 Art for Children	3	___
ECE 265 Curriculum Development	3	___
ENG 101 English Composition I <sup>1</sup>	3	___
LIT 264 Literature for Children	3	___
PSY 262 Child Psychology	3	___
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**SECOND YEAR – FALL SEMESTER**

Dept. No.	Hrs.	Gr.
ECE 260 Parent Involvement	3	___
ECE 267 Child Care Laboratory	5	___
EDC 208 Characteristics and Methods for Teaching Exceptional Children	3	___
MAT 113 Introduction to Contemporary Mathematics <sup>2</sup> OR MAT 120 Elementary Statistics <sup>2</sup> OR BUS 111 Business Mathematics	3	___
SPE 115 Speech	3	___
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**SECOND YEAR – SPRING SEMESTER**

Dept. No.	Hrs.	Gr.
ECE 266 Pre-School Administration	3	___
ECE 268 Child Care Laboratory	5	___
PNE 100 Nutrition	3	___
SOC 263 Marriage and the Family	3	___
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<sup>1</sup> Requires a grade of "C" or higher.

<sup>2</sup> Recommended for transfer students.

The Early Childhood Education AAS Degree Program (ECE 0005) is the parent program to:

- Early Childhood Education Director's Credential Certificate Program (00CHC0018)

The minimum general education component for the Associate in Applied Science degree requires satisfactory completion of at least 15 semester credits of coursework distributed over the disciplines of Communications, Mathematics, Arts and Humanities, Physical and Life Sciences, and Social and Behavioral Sciences. The curriculum guide for each Associate in Applied Science degree program will spell out the course requirements or options available for satisfying the general education component. With appropriate justification and in consultation with your academic advisor, a request to substitute a course for one recommended in this guide may be granted with the appropriate approvals from the Department Chair, Dean for Instruction and Vice-President for Instruction. However, no substitutions are allowed in Groups I-III (General Education Component; GECC) of the curriculum guide (see the Associate in Applied Science general degree requirements worksheet in the John A. Logan College Catalog).

Students planning to transfer and pursue a baccalaureate degree should, when given a choice, enroll in the general education course that is IAI GECC approved and articulated with participating Illinois institutions.

*John A. Logan College reserves the right to modify this curriculum guide as needed.  
Please verify with your academic advisor the accuracy and time lines of this document.*

**Effective Date: Spring 2009**

**Additional Information:** Graduates of this two-year Early Childhood Education Program will be trained to provide education and care for children in public and private child care settings to include the following: maintaining a safe and healthy learning environment; providing experiences to promote physical, intellectual, social/emotional, and language/literacy development; using positive guidance/discipline strategies; establishing positive and productive relationships with families; and operating a well-run program for children that adheres to legal requirements and a professional code of ethics. Students are also trained to provide important support services in elementary and secondary public schools as teacher assistants, school office assistants, school library assistants, and playground assistants.

**Career Opportunities:** Director, assistant director, lead teacher, teacher, and an assistant in nursery schools and child care programs, Head Start, and school-age programs. Also qualified to be a parent educator and coordinator, child development specialist, work in social service programs, Even Start programs, and Child Care Resource and Referral. Teacher aide and assistant, school office assistant, school library assistant, playground assistant in grades Pre-K through twelve. Graduates of this program are also qualified to own and operate day care centers.