

**Associate of Applied Science Childhood Education and Family Studies (CE & FS) Degree at
Southwestern Oregon Community College
Articulated with the Bachelor's of Arts/Science in Early Childhood Development at
Southern Oregon University
Origination - 2010-11 Academic Year**

It is agreed that students transferring from Southwestern Oregon Community College (SOCC) to Southern Oregon University's (SOU) Bachelor of Science degree in Early Childhood Development will be given full credit for all selected courses listed on the attached schedule. Students following this program of study will have met SOU's lower-division general education requirements, will be assured junior standing within the academic major, and will be eligible for admission to the Early Childhood Development major. This agreement is based on the evaluation of the rigor and content of the general education and pre-requisite courses at both SOCC and SOU and is subject to a yearly re-evaluation by both schools. This version of the agreement shall remain in effect until revised or terminated by SOCC or SOU.

Baccalaureate students must complete a minimum of 60 credits of upper division work before a degree will be awarded and meet all the requirements of SOU prior to graduation. Upper division is defined as 300- and 400-level classes at a bachelor's degree-granting institution.

Transfer students may guarantee their catalog of graduation by obtaining written approval from their SOU major department. The agreed upon catalog will be the one a student uses when he/she declares the ECE degree major at SOCC. Students must enroll at SOU within two years of this approval or petition the School of Education after a two year lapse.

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About the Program

The Associate of Applied Science (CE&FS) degree has been reviewed by faculty within Southwestern Oregon Community College and Southern Oregon University. The degree is fully articulated with SOU's Early Childhood Development program and allows students to transfer directly as juniors and to become admitted into the Early Childhood Development program at Southern Oregon University with no loss of credits to pursue a bachelor's degree. The program offers an excellent balance of early childhood and general education courses that support advanced study in the field of early childhood development.

Students should contact the SOU School of Education early in the beginning of their AAS in Childhood Education and Family Studies program to be advised about additional requirements and procedures for admission to the school or program.

Students should be aware that if they transfer before completing this degree, their courses will be evaluated individually toward the general education requirements in effect at SOU.

Entry Requirements

Students are required to take the college placement test to determine skill level and readiness indicated by test scores. As part of their training program, students must begin with the courses within their skill levels as determined by placement test scores. In addition, students may also be required to enroll in classes that would increase their employability and success.

Advanced Standing

Coursework from accredited colleges and universities will be accepted in accordance with college policies and the approval of the Chair in the School of Education. In order to ensure coursework is current, program courses over 10 years old must be reviewed and approved by the appropriate department head before being accepted toward course requirements.

Graduation Requirements

The Associate of Applied Science in Childhood Education & Family Studies degree will be awarded to students who complete all credits in this program with a grade of "C" or better. Certain required courses are graded on a pass/no pass basis only. A grade of "P" for these courses indicates a student earned a "C" or better grade.

Note: Students who graduated from high school or completed a high school equivalency program in 1997 or after must have the following requirement for admission to a four-year Oregon state college or university: 1) two years of the same high school-level language, or 2) two terms of college-level language with a grade of "C-" or better (may be first-year language which can be used as elective credits). Students planning to complete a Bachelor of Arts (BA) degree at a four-year school will be required to complete the equivalent of one year of study of a foreign language at the second-year level (or above) before graduation.

COURSE REQUIREMENTS FOR THE ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE IN CHILDHOOD EDUCATION & FAMILY STUDIES - ARTICULATED WITH THE EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM AT SOU

Complete up to 120 credits at SOCC, followed by 60 Upper Division *online credits* through SOU (180 credits total). The SOCC component consists of the following two requirements:

1. Complete the Associate of Applied Science (AAS) in Childhood Education and Family Studies at Southwestern Oregon Community College (101 credits)
2. Satisfy all of the General Education Requirements described below. The 101 credit AAS degree satisfies some General Education requirements. The 18 remaining credits should be chosen to complete the requirements described below. Work closely with your academic advisor to plan your course schedule.

Writing and Oral Communication Skills

Minimum Credits: 9
(6 credits included in AAS¹)

Complete each of the following courses:

WR 121+122

SP 111 *or* SP 218 *or* SP 219

English Composition I & II

Public Speaking *or* Interpersonal Communication *or* Small Group Discussion (May substitute HS 260 if taken in past)

Mathematics (Gen Ed Quantitative Reasoning)

Minimum Credits: 4

Complete at least one math course on the [University Studies Transfer Guide](#) *

Humanities Exploration

Minimum Credits: 9

Complete at least three Humanities courses from the [University Studies Transfer Guide](#) *

Social Science Exploration

Minimum Credits: 9

Complete at least three Social Science courses from the [University Studies Transfer Guide](#) *
(9 credits included in AAS²)

Science Exploration

Minimum Credits: 11

Complete at least three Science courses from the [University Studies Transfer Guide](#) *
At least two of the science courses must have labs. (9 credits included in AAS as elective options³)

* To view the University Studies (General Education) courses, open the [University Studies Transfer Guide](#) link. Select Southwestern Oregon Community College from the drop-down menu and view courses that satisfy each category. Alternately, you may follow these instructions:

Visit: www.sou.edu/admissions/transfer

Select: [General Education Transfer Guides](#)

Select: **Southwestern Oregon Community College** from the drop-down menu

~If you cannot access a computer, please see your academic advisor for assistance~

For more information about this program: <http://sou.edu/education/ecd/>

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¹ Includes WR 121 and Speech

² Includes ED 258, HDFS 140, 222, 229, 247

³ May include any combination of required general education courses