

1. The AAS degree provides career skills to enable students to enter the job market after graduation, retrain in a new career, or upgrade employment skills. Occupational courses are designed to meet these needs instead of transferring to four-year institutions; however, many four-year institutions accept some of these courses. Check with your college of transfer intent for more info.
2. Certificate programs offered in the occupational area are generally shorter in length. Students may wish to complete a Certificate first, and apply those same courses to the requirements for the AAS degree.
3. You must apply for graduation on the website or at Enrollment Services prior to your final semester.

The Early Childhood Education program is designed to meet the vocational needs of people seeking employment or who are already employed in the early childhood field. Colorado Department of Human Services, Division of Child Care licensing requirements can be met upon completion of selected courses. The program emphasis is on children ages 8 and under.

English – 6 credits

	ENG 121 English Composition I
	ENG 122 English Composition II

**Mathematics or Science – 3 credits
Choose one course from the following:**

	MAT 155/156 Integrated Math I/II OR SCI 155/156 Integrated Science I/II
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**Social and Behavioral Sciences – 6 credits
Choose two courses from the following:**

	GEO 105 World Regional Geography
	HIS 201 U.S. History I
	POS 111 American Government

Humanities – 3 credits

	ART 110 Art Appreciation OR MUS 120 Music Appreciation
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Additional General Education Requirements 3 credits

	Choose one course from: MAT 156, SCI 156, LIT 115, LIT 255 OR POS 111.
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Early Childhood Degree Requirements – 30 credits

	ECE 101 Intro to Early Childhood Education
	ECE 102 Intro to ECE Lab Techniques
	ECE 103 Guidance Strategies for Children
	ECE 205 Nutrition, Health & Safety
	ECE 220 Curriculum Development; Methods & Techniques
	PSY 238 Child Development
	ECE 240 Administration of Early Childhood Care & Education Programs
	ECE 241 Administration: Human Relations for the Early Childhood Professions
	ECE 260 The Exceptional Child
	ECE 288 Practicum: Early Childhood Education

ECE Electives – Choose nine hours from ECE/EDU courses not required*:

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* Each course may apply only once toward degree requirements

AAS EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION, TOTAL 60 cr.