EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION
HARCUM COLLEGE

PARTNERSHIP SITES

The Harcum College Early Childhood Education program equips students with the essential knowledge and skills for careers in child care, elementary education, and educational settings.

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THE ASSOCIATE OF ARTS IN EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION DEGREE prepares students for careers in child care and other educational settings, and provides a a seamless transition to either a Bachelor of Arts (BA) or Bachelor of Science (BS) program and subsequent **certification in PreK-4th grade** and **certification in grades 7-12.** Accredited by NAEYC, the program adheres to NAEYC standards, including child development, family-teacher partnerships, observation and assessment, culturally appropriate teaching practices, academic content integration, and professionalism in early childhood education.

WHO SHOULD ENROLL?
- High school graduates seeking an affordable and accessible pathway to a career in education.
- Current educators and childcare providers looking to further their education and career prospects.
- Career-changers interested in pursuing a career in education.

PROGRAM OFFERINGS
- Starts Fall, Spring and Summer semesters. All professional coursework begins in the Fall semester. Students may enroll in other semesters to complete core and preparatory coursework.
- **Students who enroll in the AA program in ECE will complete the coursework for the nationally recognized credential of Child Development Associate (CDA).** For more information about the CDA, please visit their website: cdacouncil.org

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HARCUM COLLEGE operates under a rolling admissions policy, which means that the Admissions Committee reviews each application file as soon as it is complete. Applicants will be notified within 10 working days of a decision, and of any conditions necessary for entry. Prospective students are advised to apply as early as possible to ensure admission to the program of choice.

Applications are processed without discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, age, national origin, handicap or disability, veteran status, or marital or parental status.

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS
- Application (free online)
- High School or GED transcript
- Official College transcript(s) (if applicable)
- Complete FAFSA for financial aid

ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS
- Students are required to have a minimum of 60/61 credit hours for graduation.
- Prerequisite/developmental courses may be required.
- All program specific courses must be completed with a grade of C or higher.

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Completion of the courses listed below is required for an Associate's degree. Please refer to the current Harcum College catalog for course descriptions as well as course prerequisites and/or corequisites.

Offered full-time or part-time. Students will be required to obtain all clearances (child abuse, criminal record, FBI background, and have all necessary immunizations) in order to begin the program.

FIRST SEMESTER
EDU 112	Intro to ECE	3 cr.
IDS 103	College Orientation	3 cr.
PSY 154	Child Development	3 cr.
ENG 101	English Composition I	3 cr.

SECOND SEMESTER
EDU 120	Classroom Management	3 cr.
ENG 102	English Composition II	3 cr.
SCI ELE	Science Elective	3/4 cr.
EDU 228	PreK Methods	3 cr.
or		
EDU 202	Program Planning for Infants/Toddlers	3 cr.

THIRD SEMESTER
EDU 122	Intro to Special Education	3 cr.
MTH ELE	Math Elective	3 cr.
PSY 213	Educational Psychology	3 cr.
EDU TBD	Technology in Education	3 cr.

FOURTH SEMESTER
EDU 114	Teaching English Language Learners	3 cr.
EDU TBD	Children's Literature	3 cr.
HUM ELE	Humanities Elective	3 cr.
EDU 118	Families, Schools, Communities	3 cr.

FIFTH SEMESTER
EDU 207	Integrated Curriculum, PreK-4	3 cr.
EDU TBD	Early Literacy	3 cr.
EDU 205	Teaching STEM, PreK-4	3 cr.
GEN ELE	General Elective	3 cr.

TOTAL   60/61 CREDITS

Students who wish to transfer for the PreK-4th grade certification should take the following courses as electives: American History, Public Speaking, a Lab Science.

Students in the CDA program can elect a Professional Portfolio workshop.