

## FAMILY AND CONSUMER SCIENCE DEPARTMENT

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### Program Description

The Family and Consumer Sciences Department has three separate components: Family and Consumer Science, Early Childhood Education, and Nutrition and Food Science. The Family and Consumer Science area provides a variety of courses that motivate critical thinking and competency in the development of life skills, encourage improvement in the quality of individual and family life, and prepare students for employment in related occupations. Students interested in family and consumer science curriculum are advised to consult with a department faculty member to plan an efficient sequence of courses. Courses are offered in human development, early childhood education, textiles, interior design, family relationships, stress reduction, and personal safety.

Nutrition and Food Science classes are based on developing wellness through appropriate nutrition, food, and lifestyle choices. After further study, possible professional outcomes include registered dietitian, county extension agent and a variety of health occupation opportunities including consultant in various health institutions and organizations as well as other community, national and international health applications.

Dixie State College offers three degree opportunities in Early Childhood Education: the Associate of Applied Science in ECE, and the Associate of Science OR Arts in ECE. Students may use the degree

for entry level employment as teachers in Head Start Programs or other early childhood settings. Additionally, the coursework in the AS/AA degree in ECE is designed to correlate with requirements in the Elementary Education Program at DSC, so a graduate of the Education track will have completed all prerequisite requirements for the Elementary Education program. Besides the Education track, there are two other tracks within the associate's degree: one is oriented toward Head Start, and one is geared towards becoming an Early Intervention Specialist.

### Course Prefixes

- FCS, NFS

### Degrees & Certificates

- Associate of Arts in Early Childhood Education
- Associate of Science in Early Childhood Education
- Associate of Applied Science in Early Childhood Education

## Associate of Arts in Early Childhood Education

70 credits

### General Education & Institutional Requirements

All DSC General Education and Institutional requirements must be fulfilled. A previously earned degree **may** fulfill those requirements, but courses must be equivalent to DSC's minimum General Education standards in American Institutions, English, and Mathematics.

#### Institutional Requirement

Complete **one** of the following:

CIS 1200	Computer Literacy	3
CIS 1201	Computer Literacy Exam	0

#### General Education Requirements

Complete the following:

ENGL 1010	Intro to Writing	3
ENGL 2010	Intermediate Writing	3
LIB 1010	Information Literacy	1

Complete the following:

Mathematics GE course	3-5
American Institutions GE course	3
Life Sciences GE course	3-5
Physical Science GE course	3-5
Laboratory Science GE course	0-1

Fine Arts GE course	3
Humanities/Literature GE course	3
Social & Behavioral Sciences GE course	3
Exploration GE course	3-5
Two (2) Global & Cultural Perspectives Courses	0-6

There are advising recommendations for specific tracks in this degree. Consult your advisor.

### Foreign Language Requirement

Complete the following:

Credits in a <b>single</b> foreign language through college courses, vertical credit, or examination	8
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### Core Discipline Requirements

Complete the following:

EDUC 1010	Intro to Education	3
EDUC 2010	Intro to Exceptional Learners	3
EDUC 2400	Foundations Multicultural/ESL	3
FCS 2610	Child Guidance Devel. Theory	3
FCS 2620	Plan Creative Experiences Child	3
FCS 2640	Partnering with Parents	3
FCS 2880	Practicum in Early Childhood	4

### Track Requirements

Select **one** of the following tracks:

#### Education Track

Complete the following:

MATH 2010	Math for Elementary Teachers I	3
MATH 2020	Math for Elementary Teacher II	3
FCS 2500	Child Development / Birth to Eight	3

#### Head Start Track

Complete the following:

FCS 2400	Family Relationships	3
FCS 2600	Intro to Early Childhood Education	2
NFS 2120	Infant/Child Nutrition	3

#### Child Care Track

Complete the following:

FCS 2400	Family Relationships	3
NFS 2120	Infant/Child Nutrition	3
PEHR 1543	First Aid / Respond Emergencies	3

#### Early Intervention Track

Complete the following:

FCS 2400	Family Relationships	3
FCS 2700	EIS Service Coord Eval Assess	1
FCS 2701	EIS Devel Special Needs Child	1
FCS 2702	EIS Cognitive Devel Spec Needs	1

FCS 2703	EIS: Health Safety Spec Needs	1
FCS 2704	EIS Motor Devel Sensory Integr	1
FCS 2705	EIS Comm Soc/Emotional Devel	1

### Graduation Requirements

1. Complete a minimum of 70 college-level credits (1000 and above).
2. Complete at least 20 lower-division credits at DSC for institutional residency.
3. Cumulative GPA 2.0 or higher.

## Associate of Science in Early Childhood Education

62 credits

### General Education & Institutional Requirements

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### Institutional Requirement

Complete **one** of the following:

CIS 1200	Computer Literacy	3
CIS 1201	Computer Literacy Exam	0

### General Education Requirements

Complete the following:

ENGL 1010	Intro to Writing	3
ENGL 2010	Intermediate Writing	3
LIB 1010	Information Literacy	1

Complete the following:

Mathematics GE course	3-5
American Institutions GE course	3
Life Sciences GE course	3-5
Physical Science GE course	3-5
Laboratory Science GE course	0-1
Fine Arts GE course	3
Humanities/Literature GE course	3
Social & Behavioral Sciences GE course	3
Exploration GE course	3-5
Two (2) Global & Cultural Perspectives Courses	0-6

There are advising recommendations for specific tracks in this degree. Consult your advisor.

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### **Core Discipline Requirements**

Complete the following:

EDUC 1010	Intro to Education	3
EDUC 2010	Intro to Exceptional Learners	3
EDUC 2400	Foundations Multicultural/ESL	3
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FCS 2620	Plan Creative Experiences Child	3
FCS 2640	Partnering with Parents	3
FCS 2880	Practicum in Early Childhood	4

### **Track Requirements**

Select **one** of the following tracks:

#### **Education Track**

Complete the following:

MATH 2010	Math for Elementary Teachers I	3
MATH 2020	Math for Elementary Teacher II	3
FCS 2500	Child Development / Birth to Eight	3

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Complete the following:

FCS 2400	Family Relationships	3
FCS 2600	Intro to Early Childhood Education	2
NFS 2120	Infant/Child Nutrition	3

#### **Child Care Track**

Complete the following:

FCS 2400	Family Relationships	3
NFS 2120	Infant/Child Nutrition	3
PEHR 1543	First Aid / Respond Emergencies	3

#### **Early Intervention Track**

Complete the following:

FCS 2400	Family Relationships	3
FCS 2700	EIS Service Coord Eval Assess	1
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FCS 2703	EIS Health Safety Spec Needs	1
FCS 2704	EIS Motor Devel Sensory Integr	1
FCS 2705	EIS Comm Soc/Emotional Devel	1

### **Graduation Requirements**

1. Complete a minimum of 62 college-level credits (1000 and above).
2. Complete at least 20 lower-division credits at DSC for institutional residency.
3. Cumulative GPA 2.0 or higher.

**Associate of Applied Science in Early Childhood Education**

63 credits

**Institutional Requirement**

Complete **one** of the following:

CIS 1200	Computer Literacy	3
CIS 1201	Computer Literacy Exam	0

**General Education Requirements**

Complete the following:

ENGL 1010	Intro to Writing	3
ENGL 2010	Intermediate Writing	3
LIB 1010	Information Literacy	1

Complete **one** of the following Mathematics GE courses:

MATH 1030	Quantitative Reasoning	3
MATH 1040	Intro to Statistics	3
MATH 1050	College Algebra/Pre-Calculus	4

Complete **one** of the following Science GE courses:

NFS 1020	Scientific Foundations of Nutrition	3
PHYS 1360/1365	Principles of Physical Science / Lab	3/1

Complete **one** of the following American Institutions GE courses:

ECON 1740	Economic History of the U.S.	3
HIST 1700	American Civilization	3
POLS 1100	American Government	3

Complete **one** of the following Social & Behavioral Sciences GE courses

FCS 1500	Human Development / Lifespan	3
PSY 1100	Human Development / Lifespan	3

**Core Discipline Requirements**

Complete the following:

EDUC 2010	Intro to Exceptional Learners	3
FCS 2610	Child Guidance / Devel. Theory	3
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PEHR 1543	First Aid / Respond Emergencies	3

**Elective Courses**

Complete **25 credits** of electives:

*Recommended electives (not required)*

<i>BUS 1010</i>	<i>Intro to Business</i>	<i>3</i>
<i>EDUC 1010</i>	<i>Intro to Education</i>	<i>3</i>
<i>EDUC 2400</i>	<i>Foundations Multicultural/ESL</i>	<i>3</i>
<i>ENGL 2330</i>	<i>Children's Literature</i>	<i>3</i>
<i>MGMT 2620</i>	<i>Principles of Management</i>	<i>3</i>
<i>NFS 2120</i>	<i>Infant/Child Nutrition</i>	<i>3</i>

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