The Program

Real world experience is the key when learning how to best work with young children. Mayville State University's early childhood program provides hands-on experience in our Child Development Center and prepares you to make an impact on the lives of young children. The early childhood Associate program is also offered as an online program option.

MSU's early childhood program will give you the opportunity to further your professional growth. Courses completed in the A.A. program can be applied directly to bachelor’s programs in early childhood, and the program takes full advantage of distance learning opportunities to provide flexibility.

Advantages

Hands-on experiences. The early childhood program offers you several opportunities for hands-on experiences working with preschool students and teachers. MSU’s on-campus Child Development Center is a great place for early childhood students to work with young children. The MSU Child Development Programs include licensed child care for children six weeks to six years old, Head Start for eligible children ages 3 to 5 years, Early Head Start for children ages six weeks to three years, and after-school care for local elementary students.

Flexibility. The early childhood program uses distance learning technology to provide the kind of flexible experience that meets the needs of both traditional and non-traditional students.

Personal Service

We pride ourselves on being just the right size to give students the time they need to be successful. Our average class size is 15, so you will have small, personalized class settings with a technological focus for you to receive the education that you deserve. Your professors will introduce you to new ways of thinking, explore issues creatively, and evaluate ideas as you engage in the world.

Opportunity

Whether it’s music, athletics, or politics, students at MSU have the chance to participate in a variety of activities and clubs. These organizations are a great way to make new friends with similar interests, and the involvement outside the classroom looks great on a resume.

Some clubs and activities include:
• Theater
• Band & choir
• Computer Technology Club
• Science Club
• Comet Radio
• Student government
• Intramural sports

Success

Our students get jobs. Period. Job placement rates are consistently 96-98%! We also have internship opportunities to give you real, hands-on learning experiences and make your resume stand out.

Value

The combination of MSU’s affordability and its unique offerings make it a Best in the Midwest College, as designated by the Princeton Review. MSU was also named one of the 2013 top three Public Regional Colleges in the Midwest by U.S. News & World Report.

At Mayville State, you’ll earn more than a degree. You’ll earn an education.

Early Childhood Education • Associate of Arts
Early Childhood

General Education (36 hours)

COMMUNICATIONS CATEGORY: (9 hrs req.)
ENGL 110    College Composition I.............................3
ENGL 120    College Composition II.............................3
COMM 110    Fund Public Speaking..............................3

COMPUTER INFORMATION SYSTEM CATEGORY:
(1 hour req.)
CIS 200    Computers in Society..............................1

HUMANITIES & SOCIAL SCIENCE CATEGORY:
(15 hrs req.)
Humanities - min. 6 hours from courses listed below:
ENGL 250    Lit. in Multicultural World......................3
HUM 220    History of Music/Multi World......................3
HUM 221    History of Art/Multi World.........................3
SPAN 102    First Year Spanish II.............................4

*One full year of college Spanish (8 hrs) will satisfy 3 hours Hum/SS

SOCIAL SCIENCE
Minimum 6 hrs from courses listed below:
ECON 105    Elements of Economics..........................3
ECON 201    Principles of Microeconomic....................3
ECON 202    Principles of Macroeconomics..................3
GEOG 103    Multicultural World/Global Issues.............3
HIST 101    Western Civilization I..........................3
HIST 102    Western Civilization II........................3
HIST 103    US History to 1877...............................3
HIST 104    US History Since 1877.........................3
PSYC 111    Introduction to Psych (Required)..............3
SOC 110    Introduction to Sociology.........................3

Early Childhood Requirements (31 hours)

Pre-reqs:
ENGL 110 and ENGL 120, PSYC 111
EC 210    Intro to ECE....................................3
EC 211    Obsv Assess & Interpretation Tech..............3
EC 313    Lang & Literacy in ECE..........................3
EC 320    Infants & Toddlers.................................3
EC 333    PreK Methods & Materials........................3
EC 335    Art, Music & Play in ECE........................3
EC 336    Soc & Emot Dev/Guid ECE........................3
EC 337    Special Needs in ECE.............................3
EC 376    Field Experience in ECE........................1
EC 298    AA Internship....................................3
HPER 100    Concepts of Fitness/Wellness...............2
HPER 210    First Aid & CPR.................................1

MATHEMATICS & SCIENCE CATEGORY: (11 hrs req.)
Mathematics - min. 3 hours from courses listed below:
MATH 103    College Algebra..................................3
MATH 105    Trigonometry...................................2
MATH 165    Calculus.......................................4

Science - min. 4 hours from courses listed below:
ASTR 150    Meteorology/Lab.................................3/1
BIOL 111    Concepts of Biology/Lab........................3/1
BIOL 150    General Biology I/Lab............................3/1
BIOL 151    General Biology II/Lab..........................3/1
BIOL 220    Anatomy & Physiology/Lab......................3/1
BIOL 221    Anatomy & Physiology II/Lab..................3/1
CHEM 121    General Chemistry I/Lab.........................3/1
CHEM 122    General Chemistry I/Lab.........................3/1
GEOL 115    Introduction Geology/Lab.......................3/1
PHYS 110    Introduction Astronomy/Lab....................3/1
PHYS 211    College Physics I/Lab............................3/1
PHYS 212    College Physics II/Lab........................3/1
PHYS 251    University Physics I/Lab.........................4/1
PHYS 252    University Physics II/Lab.......................4/1
SCNC 101    Natural Science/Lab.............................3/1
SCNC 102    Physical Science/Lab...........................3/1

A 2.00 GPA in general education is required for graduation.

**NOTE: Students who plan to pursue the BSEd (4 year degree) in Early Childhood Education (ECE) or Elementary Education need to take Comm 110, Engl 110, Engl 120, Geog 103, Math 103, Psyc 111, Scnc 101, Scnc 102 and a history course which are all pre-reqs to the Early Childhood Education (ECE) or Elementary Education major.

If you have any questions regarding the early childhood education program or any other program, give us a call at 800.437.4104, or go online to:
www.MayvilleState.edu