



EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION PRE K-3
ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE IN TEACHING

	CREDIT HOURS
GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS	
COMMUNICATION	9
ENGL 1010: English Composition I	3
ENGL 1020: English Composition II	3
Any approved speech/communication general education course	3
HUMANITIES & FINE ARTS (minimum 1 course in literature)	9
Any approved humanities or fine arts general education course	3
ARTS 1035: Introduction to ART or MUS 1030: Introduction to Music	3
(literature) Any approved humanities literature general education course	3
SOCIAL/BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES	6
World Regional Geography course that is an approved Social/Behavioral Science general education course	3
Any approved Social/Behavioral general education course	3
HISTORY	6
Any approved History general education course	3
Any approved History general education course	3
NATURAL SCIENCES	8
Any approved Biological/Life Sciences general education course with lab	4
Any approved Biological/Life Sciences general education course with lab	4
MATHEMATICS	3
Any approved math general education course*	3
GENERAL EDUCATION TOTAL	41-42
AREA OF EMPHASIS REQUIREMENTS (Major)	
ECED 1310: Introduction to Early Childhood Education	3
ECED 2340: Family Dynamics & Community Involvement	3
Introduction to Education/Teaching course	3
ECED 2360: Development of Exceptional Children or Introduction to Special Education**	3
MATH 1410: Number Concepts for Teachers***	3
MATH 1420: Geometry Concepts for Teachers****	3
ECED 2320: Infant, Toddler, Child Development	3
AREA OF EMPHASIS REQUIREMENTS & ELECTIVES TOTAL	21
DEGREE TOTAL	62

NOTES:

*For transfer to APSU, ETSU, UM, UTC, and UTK, Math 1530 is required. At UTM and TSU, Math 1130: College Algebra is required.



**Neither University of Memphis nor UT Knoxville has Development of Exceptional Children in its Pre-K-3 Curriculum and students transferring to either University of Memphis or UT Knoxville will have to take one other course after transfer.

***Students who plan to transfer to UT Knoxville should take an Intermediate foreign language instead of MATH 1410; University of Memphis does not require completion of MATH 1410.

****Students who plan to transfer to ETSU should take EDUC 2210 Education Psychology instead of MATH 1420.

Additional Degree Requirements

1. Students earning an AST degree must meet the following:

Attainment of a 2.75 cumulative grade point average

ACT cumulative score of 21 (or SAT 1020) or successful completion of approved standardized examination (Praxis Core) for admission to the university College of Education

Satisfactory ratings on an index of suitability for the teaching profession

2. Students transferring to a public university in Tennessee may need to meet additional requirements to gain admittance to the university