

# EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION - ASSOCIATE IN EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

## NMSU Alamogordo 2024-2025 Catalog

Note: Any education course more than seven years old taken at NMSU or at another institution will not be counted toward the student's undergraduate program. A student may ask for a review of this time limit by the appropriate department. The department head and/or faculty may recommend accepting a course that is seven years old with approval from the Dean's office. Any course not approved must be repeated by the student.

**Students must have a 2.5 GPA to graduate from this program. However, a 2.75 GPA is required for acceptance into the Teacher Education Program at NMSU. A grade of C- or better is required in the following TEP prerequisites (<https://catalogs.nmsu.edu/alamogordo/degrees-certificates/early-childhood/>).**

## Total Credits Required for Degree: 68

Students must complete all University degree requirements, which include: General Education requirements and elective credits to total at least 68 credits. Developmental coursework will not count towards the degree requirements and/or elective credits, but may be needed in order to take the necessary English and Mathematics coursework.

Prefix	Title	Credits
<b>General Education Requirements</b>		
Courses specified in the General Education areas below are Program required courses that will also fulfill General Education requirements.		
<i>Area I: Communications</i>		
<i>English Composition - Level 1</i>		
ENGL 1110G	Composition I <sup>1</sup>	4
<i>English Composition - Level 2</i>		
ENGL 2221G	Writing in the Humanities and Social Science <sup>1</sup>	3
<i>Oral Communication</i>		
COMM 1115G	Introduction to Communication	3
or COMM 1130G	Public Speaking	
<i>Area II: Mathematics</i>		
MATH 2134G	Fundamentals of Elementary Math II <sup>1</sup>	3
<i>Areas III/IV: Laboratory Science and Social/Behavioral Sciences</i>		
CEPY 1120G	Human Growth and Behavior	3
Select two different subjects with labs from the following (8 credits):		
ASTR 1115G	Introduction to Astronomy Lecture & Laboratory	
or ASTR 1120G	The Planets Lecture & Laboratory	
BIOL 1120G & BIOL 1120L	Human Biology and Human Biology Laboratory	
BIOL 1190G	Contemporary Problems in Biology	
BIOL 2110G & BIOL 2110L	Principles of Biology: Cellular and Molecular Biology and Principles of Biology: Cellular and Molecular Biology Laboratory	

BIOL 2610G & BIOL 2610L	Principles of Biology: Biodiversity, Ecology, and Evolution and Principles of Biology: Biodiversity, Ecology, and Evolution Laboratory	
CHEM 1120G	Introduction to Chemistry Lecture and Laboratory (non majors)	
or CHEM 1215G	General Chemistry I Lecture and Laboratory for STEM Majors	
ENVS 1110G	Environmental Science I	
GEOG 1110G	Physical Geography	
or GEOL 1110G	Physical Geology	
PHYS 1115G	Survey of Physics with Lab	
PHYS 1230G & PHYS 1230L	Algebra-Based Physics I and Algebra-Based Physics I Lab	
<i>Area V: Humanities</i>		
HIST 1110G	United States History I	3
or HIST 1120G	United States History II	
<i>Area VI: Creative/Fine Arts</i>		
Choose one from the following:		3
ARTH 1115G	Orientation in Art	
MUSC 1110G	Music Appreciation: Jazz	
MUSC 1130G	Music Appreciation: Western Music	
THEA 1110G	Introduction to Theatre	
<i>General Education Elective</i>		
HIST 1130G	World History I	3
or HIST 1140G	World History II	
<b>Program Requirements</b>		
ECED 1110	Child Growth, Development, and Learning <sup>1</sup>	3
ECED 1115	Health, Safety, and Nutrition <sup>1</sup>	2
ECED 1120	Guiding Young Children <sup>1</sup>	3
ECED 1125	Assessment of Children and Evaluation of Programs <sup>1</sup>	3
ECED 1130	Family and Community Collaboration <sup>1</sup>	3
ECED 2110	Professionalism	2
ECED 2115	Introduction to Language, Literacy, and Reading <sup>1</sup>	3
ECED 2120	Curriculum Development through Play Birth through Age 4 (PreK) <sup>1,2</sup>	3
ECED 2121	Curriculum Development through Play Birth through Age 4 (PreK) Practicum <sup>1,2</sup>	2
ECED 2130	Curriculum Development and Implementation Age 3 (PreK) through Grade 3 <sup>2</sup>	3
ECED 2131	Curriculum Development and Implementation Age 3 (PreK) through Grade 3 Practicum <sup>2</sup>	2
EDLT 2110	Integrating Technology with Teaching <sup>1</sup>	3
MATH 1134	Fundamentals of Elementary Mathematics I <sup>1,3</sup>	3
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>68</b>

<sup>1</sup> Pre/co-requisites for Teacher Education Program (TEP). A grade of C- or better is required for course.

<sup>2</sup> Courses are available online from NMSU Grants. Check with Advisor.

<sup>3</sup> Note: Prerequisite for MATH 1134 Fundamentals of Elementary Mathematics I is MATH 1215 Intermediate Algebra and ENGL 1110G Composition I.

## A Suggested Plan of Study - Early Childhood

<sup>2</sup> Course is available online from NMSU Grants. Check with Advisor.

Additional classes may be needed based on placement test results and course prerequisites. Visit with an advisor for help with creating a customized plan.

### First Year

Fall		Credits
CEPY 1120G	Human Growth and Behavior	3
ECED 1110	Child Growth, Development, and Learning	3
ECED 1115	Health, Safety, and Nutrition	2
ENGL 1110G	Composition I	4
MATH 1134	Fundamentals of Elementary Mathematics I	3

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**Credits** **15**

### Spring

ECED 1120	Guiding Young Children	3
ECED 1130	Family and Community Collaboration	3
ENGL 2221G	Writing in the Humanities and Social Science	3
MATH 2134G	Fundamentals of Elementary Math II	3
Choose one from the following:		3
ARTH 1115G	Orientation in Art	
MUSC 1110G	Music Appreciation: Jazz	
MUSC 1130G	Music Appreciation: Western Music	
THEA 1110G	Introduction to Theatre	

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### Summer

COMM 1115G or COMM 1130G	Introduction to Communication or Public Speaking	3
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**Credits** **3**

### Second Year

#### Fall

ECED 1125	Assessment of Children and Evaluation of Programs	3
ECED 2110	Professionalism	2
ECED 2120	Curriculum Development through Play Birth through Age 4 (PreK) <sup>2</sup>	3
ECED 2121	Curriculum Development through Play Birth through Age 4 (PreK) Practicum <sup>2</sup>	2
HIST 1120G or HIST 1110G	United States History II or United States History I	3

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Area III: Laboratory Science Course <sup>1</sup> 4

**Credits** **17**

#### Spring

ECED 2115	Introduction to Language, Literacy, and Reading	3
ECED 2130	Curriculum Development and Implementation Age 3 (PreK) through Grade 3 <sup>2</sup>	3
ECED 2131	Curriculum Development and Implementation Age 3 (PreK) through Grade 3 Practicum <sup>2</sup>	2
EDLT 2110	Integrating Technology with Teaching	3
HIST 1130G or HIST 1140G	World History I or World History II	3

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**Credits** **18**

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<sup>1</sup> See Degree Requirements Tab (p. 1) for specifics