



Early Learning and Intervention: Birth Through Kindergarten Program Agreement

Western Michigan University

Bachelor of Science in Early Learning and Intervention: Birth Through Kindergarten (B.S.)

Southwestern Michigan College

Associate of Applied Science in Early Childhood Education (A.A.S.)

Catalog Year 2023 – 2024

I. SMC COURSES FOR GENERAL EDUCATION (26 – 27 credits)			
SMC Course	WMU WES Equivalent	SMC Credit Hours	Total Transferrable Credit Hours
BISC 111	BIOS 1120/1100 (WES Level II: Scientific Literacy with Lab)	4	4
ENGL 103 or ENGL 103W	ENGL 1050 (WES Level I: Writing)	3 or 4	3 or 4
ENGL 104	ENGL Credit	3	3
HIST 230	HIST Credit	3	3
MATH 128	MATH 1140 (WES Level I: Quantitative Literacy)	4	4
PSYC 101	PSY 1000 (WES Level II: Science and Technology)	3	3
PSYC 296	PSY Credit	3	3
SPEE 102	COM 1040 (WES Level I: Oral & Digital Communication)	3	3
TOTAL CREDIT HOURS		26 – 27 AT SMC	26 – 27 to WMU

II. SMC REQUIRED COURSES FOR EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION (37 - 39 credits)			
SMC Course	WMU Equivalent	SMC Credit Hours	Total Transferrable Credit Hours
EDUC 101*	ED 2900	3	3
EDUC 115*	EDUC 115 + EDUC 220 = ED 3090	3	3
EDUC 120*	ED CR (EDUC 101 + EDUC 120 will substitute for ED 2002)	1	1
EDUC 208*	FCS 3140	3	3
EDUC 210*	ED Credit	3	3
EDUC 217*	PSY 1600 (substitute for FCS 2140)	3	3
EDUC 220*	EDUC 115 + EDUC 220 = ED 3090	4	4
EDUC 221*	ED Credit	3	3
EDUC 222*	ED Credit	3	3
EDUC 230*	ED 5750	3	3
EDUC 240*	ED Credit	4	4
EDUC 260	LS 2900	3	3
BUSI 240 or PHED 103	No Credit (for BUSI 240) or HPHE 1110 (WES Level II: Personal Wellness) for PHED 103	1 – 3	0 – 3
TOTAL CREDIT HOURS		37 – 39 at SMC	36 – 39 to WMU

Table II courses with an * must be completed with a grade of "B-" or better at SMC to satisfy minimum program requirements at WMU.

All other courses must be completed with a "C" or better at SMC to be considered for transfer to WMU.

This program is subject to change. Students should consult with their SMC advisor for program updates and course substitutions.

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III. WMU COURSES FOR WMU ESSENTIAL STUDIES (WES) (15 – 18 credits)		
WMU Course	WMU Course Title	WMU Credit Hours
WES Level I: Inquiry and Engagement	Varies	3
WES Level II: Artistic Theory and Practice	Varies	3
WES Level II: Personal Wellness	Varies (not needed if PHED 103 is taken at SMC)	0 – 3
WES Level II: World Language and Culture	Varies	3
WES Level III: Global Perspectives and Planetary Sustainability	Varies	3
WES Level III: Local and National Perspectives and Diversity and Inclusion	Varies	3
TOTAL CREDIT HOURS		15 – 18 AT WMU

IV. WMU REQUIRED FOR EARLY LEARNING AND INTERVENTION (ELI): BIRTH THROUGH KINDERGARTEN (52 credits)		
WMU Course	WMU Course Title	WMU Credit Hours
ED 3011*	El Ed Sci Methods I: Investigative Practices	3
ED 3141*	Infant and Toddler Learning Environments	3
ED 3690*	Foundations of Social Emotional Learning and Guidance	3
ED 4071*	Teaching Social Studies I: PK-3	3
FCS 2170*	^{SC} Diverse Children, Families & Communities	3
FCS 4150*	Parenting Roles, Relationships, & Partnerships	3
LS 4150*	Foundations of Literacy	3
LS 4170*	Literacy Instruction for Emergent Literacy	4
MATH 1520	Early Math Reasoning	3
SCI 1600	Integrated Science	3
SPED 2270*	Foundations of Inclusion	3
SPED 3360*	Intro to Early Intervention/Early Child Special	3
SPED 3370*	Assess and Instruct in ECSE	3
ED 4090*/4700* or SPED 4133*/4177*	Seminar and Intern Teaching ECE or ECSE	2/10
TOTAL CREDIT HOURS		52 AT WMU

Table IV courses with an * must be completed with a grade of “CB” or better at WMU; all other courses require a grade of “C” or better at WMU.

^{SC} WES Level II course satisfying Societies and Cultures

Program requirements at WMU may differ if course substitutions are completed at SMC.

Students should meet with their WMU advisor to construct an individualized graduation plan upon beginning at WMU.

TOTAL CREDITS (I –IV)
63 – 66 SMC Credits
67 – 70 WMU Credits
132 – 133 Total Credits

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Program Agreement

This agreement shall commence as of August 1, 2023. This program agreement shall abide by all language of the Institutional Agreement between Southwestern Michigan College and Western Michigan University.

The B.S. in Early Learning and Intervention: Birth Through Kindergarten prepares educators for work in a variety of early care and classroom settings serving infants through kindergarten age children. Following completion of the curriculum and other certification requirements, graduates will be eligible for credentialing as early childhood - general and special education (Birth - K) (ZN) teachers under MDE regulations.

All education students are coded Pre-Education upon admission to Western Michigan University (WMU). Candidates must apply for advancement to the Early Learning and Intervention: Birth Through Kindergarten professional program. Students will be permitted to enroll in upper-level professional education courses once admission requirements (including, but not limited to, a cumulative 3.0 GPA) have been met and the upper-level application has been submitted and approved. To ensure a seamless transfer, SMC students will need to meet these requirements and submit their upper-level application prior to enrolling in their first semester at WMU. Students should meet with an Academic Advisor in WMU's College of Education and Human Development Advising Office to discuss professional level admission requirements upon applying to WMU.

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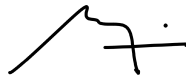
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