

# EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

## Bachelor of Arts in Early Childhood Education

Our learners have the opportunity to complete their early childhood education degree in a format that allows for a more balanced approach to work, family & educational pursuits.



#### **Credit Awarded From**

- Prior College
- Work/Life Experience
- Military
- Exams (CLEP, DANTES)





#### **Become Licensed Teacher**

Graduates licensed in general & special education in the state of Kansas

### About Southwestern College

Southwestern College Professional Studies specializes in educating busy working adults, members of the military and individuals looking for a flexible way to earn a degree.

Established in 1885, we are a private, notfor-profit college affiliated with the United Methodist Church. SC is regionally accredited by the Higher Learning Commission.



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#### **General Education Requirements**

- Developing Academic & Professional Strengths
- Composition I
- Composition II
- Speech
- Statistics & Probability
- Critical Issues in Health
- · Child Psychology
- Responsibility for the Future
- Humanities (3 credit hours)
- The Arts (3 credit hours)
- Other Cultures (3 credit hours)
- Natural Science (4 credit hours)

#### **Exploratory Education Coursework**

- EDUC 212 Education Entrance Seminar
- EDUC 215 Foundations of Education
- EDUC 216 Diversity Field Experience
- EDUC 220 Educational Technology
- EDUC 280 Writing, Speaking & Listening
- EDUC 329 Children/Adolescent Literature

#### **Pre-Professional Education Requirements**

- EDUC 311 Introduction to Early Childhood
   EDUC 325 Methods for Teaching Motor Development, Expressive Arts & Social Studies
   EDUC 333 Teaching Young Children w/ Disabilities
   EDUC 335 Infant Development
   EDUC 336 Introduction to the Reading Process
   EDUC 339 Assessment Strategies in Early Childhood
- EDUC 341 Reading in the Elementary School
  EDUC 343 Home, School & Community Issues
- EDUC 420 Oral Language Development
- EDUC 425 Administration, Guidance & Behavior
- EDUC 429 Assessment in Early Childhood Intervention
- EDUC 432 Technology in Special Education
- EDUC 435 Methods of Teaching Science & Math
- EDUC 450 Introduction to Language & Linguistics
- EDUC 490 Teaching English as a Second Language

#### **Admission to Teacher Education Courses**

- EDUC 322 Educational Psychology
- EDUC 323 Introduction to Exceptionalities
- EDUC 359 Reading Practicum
- EDUC 436 Early Childhood Methods

#### **Capstone Student Teaching Courses**

- EDUC 440 Student Teaching Seminar
- EDUC 446 Observation & Supervised Teaching in Early Childhood Education

#### **Graduation Requirements**

- Complete all foundation and major courses with an overall GPA of 2.5
- 2. Complete a minimum of 124 credit hours, with at least 60 hours at a bachelor's degree-granting institution
- 3. Complete at least 30 credit hours from Southwestern College

#### **Program Description**

The Early Childhood program of study combines early childhood education and early childhood special education into one license birth through age 8. Early Childhood pre-service teachers have experiences with all ages of children. During the student teaching experience, placement occurs at two grade levels. Southwestern College has an on-campus pre-school which provides observation and innovative teaching practice. Southwestern College also partners with several special education programs in the country such as PALS (Preschool and Language Stimulation), REACH program, and other early child care centers.

#### **Admission Requirements**

- Have completed a minimum of 6 post-high school college credits
- 2. Minimum GPA of 2.5
- 3. Minimum of 3 years of post-high school work experience

All degree requirements are subject to change. Please see entire education catalog for the most current degree requirements. All course descriptions can be found online at ps.sckans.edu.