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

Flexibility
Online classes

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, not-for-profit college affiliated with the United Methodist Church. SC is regionally accredited by the Higher Learning Commission.

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General Education Requirements

- CORE101    Developing Academic & Professional Strengths
- ENGL101    Composition I
- ENGL102    Composition II
- COM125     Speech
- MASC110    Statistics & Probability
- PSY252     Developmental Psychology
- HUM499     Responsibility for the Future
- Social Science (3 credit hours)
- Humanities (3 credit hours)
- The Arts (3 credit hours)
- Other Cultures (3 credit hours)
- Natural Science (4 credit hours)

Exploratory Education Coursework

- EDUC212    Education Entrance Seminar
- EDUC215    Foundations of Education
- EDUC216    Diversity Field Experience
- EDUC220    Educational Technology
- EDUC280    The Other Literacies
- EDUC329    Children’s and Adolescents’ Literature

Pre-Professional Education Requirements

- EDUC311    Introduction to Early Childhood
- EDUC325    Motor Development, Expressive Arts, Social Studies
- EDUC333    Teaching Young Children w/ Disabilities
- EDUC335    Infant Development
- EDUC336    Introduction to the Reading Process
- EDUC339    Assessment Strategies in Early Childhood
- EDUC349    Reading in the Elementary School
- EDUC343    Home, School, and Community
- EDUC420    Oral Language Development
- EDUC425    Administration, Guidance, and Behavior
- EDUC429    Assessment in Early Childhood Intervention
- EDUC432    Technology in Special Education
- EDUC435    Science & Math
- EDUC322    Educational Psychology
- EDUC323    Introduction to Exceptionalities
- EDUC436    Early Childhood Methods & Management

Capstone Student Teaching Courses

- EDUC440    Student Teaching Seminar
- EDUC446    Observation & Supervised Teaching in Early Childhood Education

Graduation Requirements

1. Complete all foundation and major courses with an overall GPA of 2.75
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 children birth through the age of 8 (third grade). Southwestern College operates an early learning center for children ages 2-5 and an after school program for children up to age 13, which provides opportunities to observe innovative teaching practices. 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. In-classroom experiences and student teaching are planned and sequenced to develop candidates’ knowledge skills, and professional dispositions necessary to promote the development and learning of young children across the entire development period of early childhood.

Admission Requirements

1. Have completed a minimum of 6 post-high school college credits
2. Minimum GPA of 2.75

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.