

Paraprofessional Educator

Associate of Applied Science (A.A.S.)

Transfer Options

- Arkansas State University-Jonesboro
 - BAS Organizational Supervision
- University of Arkansas-Fort Smith
 - Bachelor of Applied Science

This degree program prepares students for employment in paraprofessional positions in many Arkansas public schools. Completion of the courses that make up the Certificate of Proficiency in Early Childhood Education prepares students to sit for the Child Development Associate exam. Holding this certification also allows students employment in Arkansas public schools as a paraprofessional.

Program Goals

1. Students will articulate what it means to be a teacher.
2. Students will become better educators of Arkansas students.

Program Outcomes

1. Student will be able to express her/his own philosophy of education.
2. Student knows what schools and education systems are.
3. Student has beginning skills and knowledge that are used in a learning environment.
4. Student can participate in rich professional, critical talk.
5. Student knows Arkansas schools and communities.
6. Student knows Arkansas students and their families.
7. Students commit herself/himself to being an advocate for quality education.

General Information

- Developmental coursework may be required in addition to the courses required for this degree and/or certificate(s).
- A [P] indicates that a prerequisite is required before the course can be taken. Refer to the prerequisites table listed below the degree plan or the course description in the College Catalog to determine the prerequisite.

General Requirements

- The AAS in Paraprofessional Educator requires successful completion of **60** credit hours.
- The Certificate of Proficiency in Early Childhood Education requires successful completion of **12** credit hours. The courses that make up the CP are indicated by (1).
- All degree-seeking students are required to take Student Success.
- A minimum 2.00 cumulative grade point average is required for graduation.
- Satisfaction of all financial obligations due to the college is required for graduation.

ACTS Course Numbers

The Arkansas Course Transfer System (ACTS) contains information about the transferability of courses within Arkansas public colleges and universities. Students are guaranteed the transfer of applicable credits and equitable treatment in the application of credits for admissions and degree requirements. Go to <http://acts.adhe.edu> for more information.



DEGREE PLAN
2019-2020

Developmental Coursework

Course Number	Course Title
CO0143	Introduction to Language Arts
CO0243	Writing Workshop
MATH0133	Transitional Math 1
MATH0233	Transitional Math 2

Semester I (17 hours)

Course Number	ACTS#	Course Title
¹ ED1003	N/A	Foundations of Early Childhood Education
¹ ED1313	N/A	Child Health, Safety & Nutrition
¹ ED1323	N/A	Policies and Procedures
EDUC2003/2001	N/A	Intro to Education & Field Exp I and Int Field Exp Lev I
EDUC2023	N/A	K-12 Educational Technology
GSTD1021	N/A	Student Success I

Semester II (12 hours)

Course Number	ACTS#	Course Title
*AT1052	N/A	Public School Art
ENGL1113	ENGL1013	Composition I [P1]
SPCH1113	SPCH1003	Principles of Speech [P2]
GSTD1031	N/A	Student Success II
<i>Choose three (3) hours from these courses:</i>		
HIST2013	HIST2113	U.S. History I [P2]
HIST2023	HIST2123	U.S. History II [P2]
PSCI2003	PLSC2003	American Government National [P2]

Semester III (16 hours)

Course Number	ACTS#	Course Title
ED2011	N/A	ECE Field Experience
*ED2123	N/A	Organization & Management for Voc Education (summer only)
ENGL1123	ENGL1013	Composition II [P3]
HIST2083	N/A	History of Arkansas [P2]
MATH2053	N/A	Math for Teachers I [P4]
*MU1202	N/A	Fundamentals of Public School Music
GSTD1041	N/A	Student Success III

Semester IV (15 hours)

Course Number	ACTS#	Course Title
HS1403	HEAL1003	Personal & Community Health
IEC2003	N/A	Child Growth & Development
HS2413	N/A	First Aid & CPR
¹ ED2013	N/A	CDA Practicum
<i>Choose three (3) hours from these courses:</i>		
ED1223	N/A	Paraprofessional ECE
ED2133*	N/A	Prog & Curr Design (summer only)
ED2143*	N/A	Dev & Method of Teach (summer only)
ED2343	N/A	Diverse Populations
MATH2063	N/A	Math for Teachers II [P5]

*Courses offered online only.

¹Indicates Certificate of Proficiency in **Early Childhood Education (9 hours)**.

PREREQUISITES

P1	Refer to the SAU Tech Placement Plan.
P2	Eligible for ENGL1113-Composition I
P3	ENGL1113-Composition I
P4	MATH1023-College Algebra
P5	MATH2053-Math for Teachers I.