## Early Childhood Studies (ECD)

### Associate of Applied Science (AAS) Degree

This program is designed to prepare individuals interested in working with, or on behalf of, young children birth through age 8. The program provides a comprehensive set of knowledge and competencies aligned with standards of early childhood professional development.

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### Areas | Courses
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**Core Courses** | *(Each course is worth 1 credit unless noted)*
- **Required:**
  - ECD 100 Providing a Healthy Environment
  - ECD 102 Ensuring a Safe Environment
  - ECD 105 Understanding Behavior & Encouraging Self-Discipline
  - ECD 108 Observation & Assessment in Early Childhood
  - ECD 110 Building Relationships with Families
  - ECD 120 Guidance & Development of Social Emotional Development
  - ECD 128 Culture, Language and Community
  - ECD 200 Introduction to Early childhood Education OR
    - ECD 136 Understanding How Children Learn
    - ECD 142 Designing developmentally Effective Learning Environments (2 credits)
- **Required Electives:**
  - ECD 175 Professionalism
  - ECD 186 Effective Interactions for Learning
  - ECD 187 Supporting STEM in Early Childhood
  - ECD 147 Prenatal & Infant Development
  - ECD 148 Toddler Development
  - ECD 149 Development of the Preschool Child
    - *ECD 147, 148, 149 may be taken in combination or ECD 250 as a single 3-credit class.*
  - ECD 217 Early Childhood Language & Literacy
  - ECD 233 Policies & Procedures in Early Childhood Programs (2 credits)
  - ECD 222 Introduction to Early childhood Special Education (3 credits)
  - Plus 11 additional ECD credits in a chosen specialization

### General Education Courses 22 Credits

| Math | *(Each course is worth 3 credits unless noted)*
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- **Required:**
  - BUS 133 Business Mathematics
  - MAT 101 Basic Technical Math
  - MAT 103 Business Mathematics
  - MAT 109 Algebra I: Introductory
  - MAT 112 Algebra II: Intermediate
  - MAT 125 Introduction to Statistics
  - MAT 142 College Math with Calculus
  - MAT 152 Advanced Algebra
  - MAT 161 Algebra Based Math EE I
  - MAT 162 Algebra Based Math EE II
  - MAT 189 Pre-Calculus Algebra/Trig
  - MAT 211 Technical Calculus (4 credits)
  - MAT 221 Calculus I (4 credits)
  - MAT 231 Calculus II (4 credits)
  - MAT 241 Calculus III (4 credits)

| Physical & Biological Sciences | *(Each course is worth 4 credits)*
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- **Required:**
  - ANT 104 Biological Anthropology & Human Origins
  - BIO 100 Biology Concepts
  - BIO 105 Environmental Biology
  - BIO 160 Introduction to Human Anatomy & Physiology
  - BIO 181 General Biology I
  - BIO 182 General Biology II
  - **CHM 130 Foundational Chemistry
  - **CHM 151 General Chemistry I
  - CHM 152 General Chemistry II
  - GEO 111 Physical Geography
  - GLG 103 Introduction to Geology I – Physical Geology
  - GLG 102 Introduction to Geology II – Historical Geology

### Required Electives 9 Credits

| Required Electives | *(Each course is worth 3 credits)*
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- **MUST choose one course from Arts & Humanities and Social & Behavioral Sciences. (Each course is worth 3 credits)**
- **Arts & Humanities:**
  - ART 101 Understanding Art
  - ART 115 Art History I
  - ART 116 Art History II
  - ART 215 Native American Art
  - ENL 220 World Literature I
  - ENL 221 World Literature II
  - ENL 224 English Literature I
  - ENL 225 English Literature II
  - ENL 230 American Literature I
  - ENL 231 American Literature II
  - HUM 150 Humanities in the Western World I
  - HUM 151 Humanities in the Western World II
  - MUS 150 Music Appreciation
  - MUS 250 World Music
  - PHL 101 Introduction to Philosophy
  - PHL 103 Introduction to Logic/Critical Thinking
  - PHL 105 Introduction to Ethics
  - SPT 130 Introduction to Theatre
  - SPT 150 Introduction to Film
  - SPT 155 History of Television
- **Social & Behavioral Sciences:**
  - PSY 101 Introduction to Psychology
  - *ANT 102 Cultural Anthropology
  - ANT 120 Buried Cities and Lost Tribes
  - ECN 211 Principles of Macroeconomics
  - ECN 212 Principles of Microeconomics
  - *GEO 110 World Regional Geography
  - GEO 120 Human Geography
  - *HIS 105 U.S. History to 1877
  - *HIS 106 U.S. History Since 1877
  - *HIS 155 Western Civilization to 1700
  - *HIS 156 Western Civilization since 1700
  - POS 110 American Government
  - PSY 240 Developmental Psychology
  - PSY 250 Social Psychology
  - SOC 101 Introduction to Sociology
  - SOC 121 Social Problems in America
  - SOC 212 Sex and Gender in Society
  - SOC 215 Ethnicity and Race
  - SOC 225 Sociology of the Family

### Additional Requirements

- **Full Program Requirements**
  - GPA: 2.0
  - Credits: 64

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**If you are a student with a disability and need accommodations, please contact the Disability Resource and Access office located at the White Mountain Campus. The coordinator, Sandy Manor, travels to all NPC campuses and centers. An appointment can be scheduled to meet with her by calling: (800) 266-7845, ext. 6178.**

SEE REVERSE SIDE FOR MORE INFORMATION
**Suggested Semester Plan of Study**
(Complete your degree in two years)

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**Total Estimated Program Cost**

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*Tuition, fees and books subject to change without notice. Estimate for 2015-16 and 2016-17 academic years.

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**Helpful Definitions and Websites**

- See the cost savings in just tuition by completing the first two years of your bachelor’s degree at NPC at [www.npc.edu/transferU](http://www.npc.edu/transferU)
- Find out more about NPC transfer agreements with other colleges and universities at [www.npc.edu/transfer-agreements](http://www.npc.edu/transfer-agreements)
- Learn all about Arizona’s guaranteed transfer degrees to ASU, NAU and UofA at [www.aztransfer.com](http://www.aztransfer.com)
- NPC’s [college catalog](http://www.npc.edu/college-catalog) is available online at [www.npc.edu/college-catalog](http://www.npc.edu/college-catalog) or from any campus or center adviser.
- Articulation: the process of determining the transfer and applicability of courses from one institution of higher education to another.
- Course Equivalency Guide: shows how community college courses transfer to the three state universities. It also has many equivalencies among the three state universities. It does NOT indicate how a course transfers to a specific degree program. Course equivalencies are “year specific” meaning that in order to see if course work will transfer, you must review the Course Equivalency Guide for the year in which you took the course.
- Course Prefix: generally three or four characters identifying a department or division in which a course is taught (example: SOC is commonly used for Sociology courses)
- Prerequisites: a course that must be completed prior to taking a subsequent course.
- SUN#: the Shared Unique Number (SUN) System identifies some of the transferable lower-division courses commonly offered at the three Arizona public universities and at least two Arizona community colleges. The system ensures that a SUN course at a participating institution will be accepted as a direct equivalent to the comparable SUN course at the other participating institution.

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**Important Dates to Remember:**

**Fall 2017 Semester:**
- April 10: Schedule available online.
- April 15: FAFSA priority deadline.
- April 21: Veterans Priority Registration Day.
- April 24: Registration begins at 7:30 a.m.
- July 28: Last day for schedule changes for FAFSA.
- August 4: Financial Aid award available to students.
- August 21: Fall semester begins.
- September 1: Last day to withdraw without a “W” on transcript.
- October 3: Fall Graduation Application deadline.

**Spring 2018 Semester:**
- October 15: FAFSA Priority Deadline.
- November 13: Schedule available online.
- November 20: Veterans Priority Registration Day.
- November 27: Registration begins at 7:30 a.m.
- December 15: Last day for schedule changes for FAFSA.
- December 22: Financial Aid award available to students.
- January 16: Spring semester begins.
- January 29: Last day to withdraw without a “W” on transcript.
- February 20: Spring Graduation Application deadline.

**Summer 2018 Semester:**
- March 13: Schedule available online.
- March 15: FAFSA Priority Deadline.
- March 23: Veterans Priority Registration Day.
- March 26: Registration begins at 7:30 a.m.
- June 4: Summer semester begins
- June 5: Last day to withdraw without a “W” on transcript.

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**Additional Semesters as Needed**

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**Your Semester Plan of Study**