Early Childhood Education Program Overview

Intro to Child Development

(3 credits thru UCC) Foundation of the program. Students will gain knowledge and understanding of the physical, intellectual, and social-emotional development of children from the prenatal period through age six. (Counts as senior health credit.)

Healthy Relationships (Supplemental Course)

Helps students strengthen relationships and self through positive communication, goal setting, healthy living and more. (Counts as senior health credit.)

Intro to Education

(3 credits thru UCC) Designed for students interested in becoming a teacher. Students will learn engagement strategies to enhance learning and practice developing a variety of learning experiences. Students will create lesson plans and learn about curriculum and instruction.

Pre-teach

(Semester or year) Offered through the career center. Students are placed in classrooms at the elementary or middle school level to work with a cooperating teacher and gain hands-on experience participating in a variety of classroom activities.

Planning Activities for Young Children

(3 credits thru UCC) Key component to the program and is a pre-requisite for practicum courses. Students will identify age and developmentally appropriate practices when planning activities for young children. Students will plan, implement, and evaluate activities for use in the RHS Child Development Center.

Early Childhood Education Practicum (4 credits thru UCC) Students

(4 credits thru OCC) Students are placed to work in the daycare with infants, toddlers, or preschoolers. Students will assist with daily routines and care of the infants and children in the classrooms.