EARLY CHILDHOOD OPTION

This option is offered within the following major(s):


Available only at OSU-Cascades.

This option prepares students to promote lifelong development, learning, and well-being of children and families. Through a focus on the early childhood period from prenatal through age 8 years, students examine dynamics among children, families, schools, communities, and cultures that have lasting impacts throughout life. Practicum and internship experiences prepare students to work directly with children and families in preschools, Head Start programs, child care, early intervention/early childhood special education, or parent and family support. Graduates also create and implement prevention and intervention programs, and pursue graduate study in fields such as education, special education, counseling, human development and family science, psychology, sociology, and social work.

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Electives

Select 12 credits from the following: 12

- ED 140 (Introduction to ECE at COCC only)
- HDFS 201 *CONTEMPORARY FAMILIES IN THE U.S.
- HDFS 262 INTRODUCTION TO HUMAN SERVICES
- HDFS 312 PARENTING RESEARCH AND APPLICATION
- HDFS 432 CHILDREN AND YOUTH WITH SPECIAL NEEDS
- HDFS 444 FAMILY VIOLENCE AND NEGLECT
- HDFS 447 *FAMILIES AND POVERTY
- HDFS 460 FAMILY POLICY
- HDFS 465 TOPICS IN HUMAN DEVELOPMENT AND FAMILY SCIENCES

Total Hours 36

* Baccalaureate Core Cores (BCC)
^ Writing Intensive Course (WIC)
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Option Code: 838