

Early Childhood Education Concentration

Certificate in Human Services (AA_HMNS)

The certificate in Early Childhood Education is for the working student who wishes to improve or upgrade his/her knowledge and skills in early childhood development and childcare. Courses are offered days and evenings and all courses directly apply toward the department's A.A. degree. **The Early Childhood Certificate is not a teaching credential for the R.I. Department of Education.**

Note: All courses must be completed with a C or better. Many courses require prerequisites, corequisites and/or testing. [See course descriptions for details.](#)

RECOMMENDED COURSE SEQUENCE

- First semester: HMNS 1010, 1080, 2100, 2150
- Second semester: HMNS 1210, 2120, 2070, and one of the following three courses must be taken: HMNS 2030, 2140 OR 2190

Certificate Requirements

COURSE NO.	COURSE TITLE	COURSE NOTES	CREDITS
HMNS 1010	Introduction to Helping and Human Services		3
HMNS 1080	Health, Nutrition and the Young Child		3
HMNS 1210	Field Experience and Seminar I -Child Development		3
HMNS 2070	Characteristics and Needs of Special Populations		3
HMNS 2100	Child Growth and Development Skills		3
HMNS 2120	Curriculum for Young Children		3
HMNS 2150	Parent and Child Relations		3
HMNS Elective		Choose one of the following three-credit courses: HMNS 2030 , 2140 OR 2190	3
Total Certificate Requirements Credits			24
Total Program Credits			24