

## Associate of Arts in Early Childhood Education

The Associate of Arts in Early Childhood Education is offered to assist students seeking certification by the State of Michigan to teach in or operate a nursery school or preschool. The student who completes the Associate of Arts in Early Childhood Education will be able to:

- Draw on classroom knowledge and laboratory experience to teach successfully in an accredited nursery or preschool;
- Demonstrate a knowledge of history, literature, mathematics, science and culture;
- Explain the fundamentals of early childhood growth and development and design creative teaching strategies which incorporate such knowledge;
- Explain the importance of understanding children as creations in God's image for how they are to be taught and how we are to interact with them.

<b>DEGREE REQUIREMENTS</b>		
<b>REQUIRED COURSES</b>		<b>65 Hours</b>
BT 135	Personal Spiritual Formation	2
CC 110	Speech Fundamentals	3
CM 200	Introduction to Ministries 1	3
ECE 200	Introduction to Early Childhood Education	3
ECE 201, ECE 202	Early Childhood Laboratory	4
ECE 250	Creative Learning Activities for Children	2
ECE 265	Early Childhood Growth and Development	3
ED 220	Human Learning and Development	3
EN 130, EN 131	Composition and Grammar 1 & 2	6
HI 242	Modern World Civilization	3
LI 242	Modern World Literature	2
LI 320	Children's Literature	3
MA 200	Quantitative Literacy	3
MU 225	Music Methods for Children	2
NT 110	Life of Christ	3
NT 215	Acts	3
NT 225	New Testament Epistles	3
OT 210	Old Testament 1	3
PY 100	College Success	1
PY 150	Introduction to Psychology	3
PY 325	Child and Adolescent Psychology	3
SC 210 – or - SC 130, SC 131	Science by Inquiry –or- General Biology and Laboratory	4
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>65 Hours</b>