Social Sciences Pathway
Early Childhood Education AA

The degree will provide students with the knowledge and skills needed to work with children, birth through age 8, and their families in a variety of settings including child care centers, head start programs, family care settings, preschools and in public schools as early childhood teaching assistants.

Fall

Course	Credits
ECED 1110: Child Growth, Development and Learning	3
ECED 1130: Family and Community Collaboration I	3
MATH 1215: Intermediate Algebra	3
ENGL 1110: Composition I	3
COMM 1130: Public Speaking	3

Spring

Course	Credits
ECED 1115: Health, Safety and Nutrition	2
ENGL 1120: Composition II	3
Gen Ed Humanities - Choose one course from the following: HIST 1150, HIST 1160, HIST 1110, HIST 2110	3
ECED 1120: Guiding Young Children	3
Gen Ed Arts and Design: Choose one course	3

Summer

Course	Credits
Gen Ed Second Language: Choose one course	3
Gen Ed Social and Behavioral Studies: Choose one of the following: ANTH 1115 or 1140, ECON 2110 or 2120, POLS 1140 or 2110, PSYC 1110, SOCI 1110	3

Fall

Course	Credits
ECED 2120+2121: Curriculum Development through Play - Birth through Age 4 plus Lab	5
MATH 1118: Mathematics for Elementary and Middle School Teachers	3
ECED 2110: Professionalism	3
Gen Ed Physical and Natural Sciences: Choose one course with Lab (an NTSC course is recommended)	4

Spring

Course	Credits
ECED 2115: Introduction to Language, Literacy, and Reading	3
MATH 2118: Math for Elementary and Middle School Teachers III	3
Gen Ed Student Choice: Choose one Gen Ed course	3
ECED 2130+2131: Curriculum Development through Play-Age 3 through Grade 3 plus Lab	5

Summer

Course	Credits
ECED 1125: Assessment of Children and Evaluation of Programs	3

Total Program Credit Hours, including 6 prerequisite credit hours = 66

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Meet with your Academic Success Coach

Apply for FAFSA by October 1st

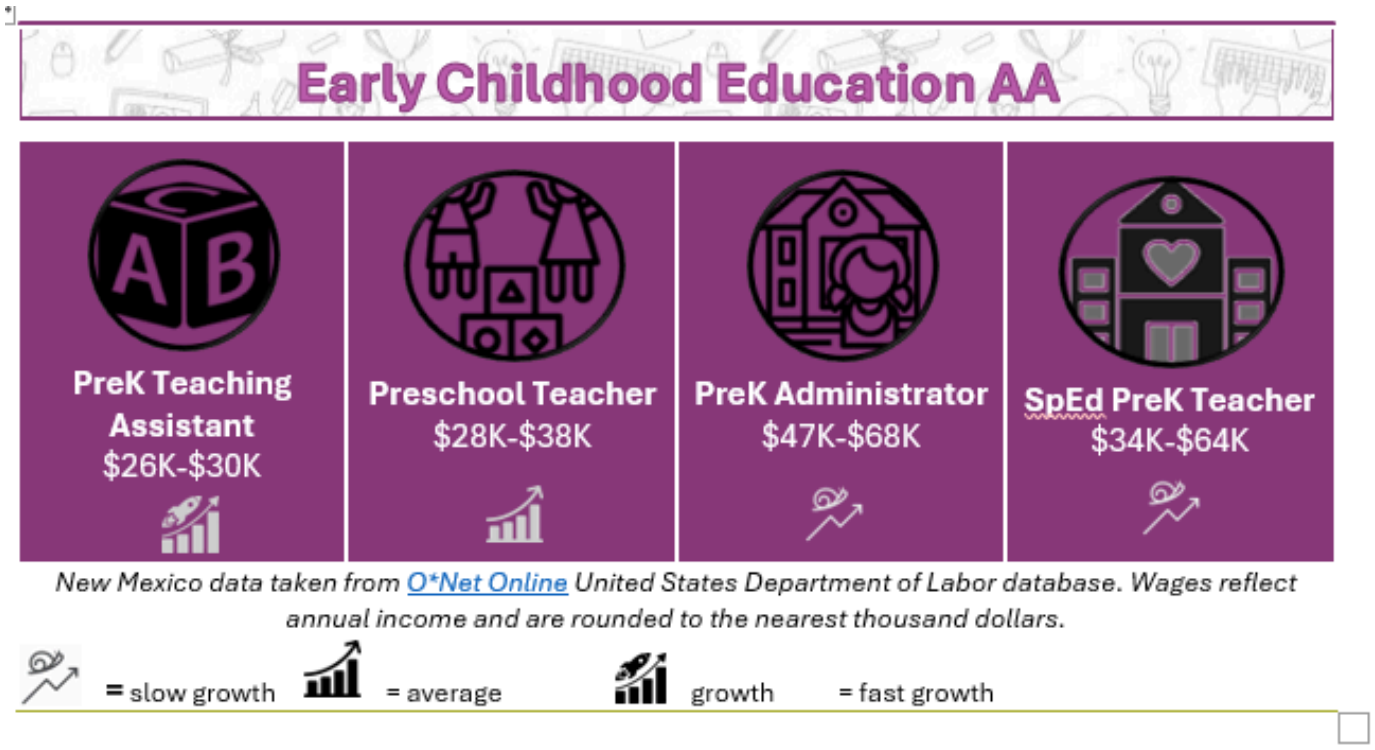
Meet with Financial Aid Apply for scholarships

Meet with your Faculty Mentor

Apply for graduation and/or transfer

Career and Educational Advancement Opportunities

The degree addresses the seven general early childhood education competency areas for New Mexico. In addition, all coursework can be applied toward a bachelor's degree.



For questions or to schedule a time to meet with an Advisor/Academic Success Coach about this program contact: Advisement at 505.925-8907. Map Current as of the 2026-2027 Academic Year.