

Program Learning Outcomes (PLO)

Associates Degree—Early Childhood Education

I. Promoting Child Development and Learning

Upon completion of this program, candidates will understand young children's developmental stages of learning from birth through age 8, and they will be able to create healthy, respectful, supportive, and challenging learning environments for young children.

II. Building Family and Community Relationships

Upon completion of this program, candidates will know and understand diversity in the community and the classroom. They will be able to demonstrate how to engage families and communities in respectful, reciprocal relationships that foster classroom development.

III. Observing, Documenting, and Assessing to Support Young Children and Families

Upon completion of this program, candidates will understand the goals, benefits, and uses of assessment as they work with young children. They will understand that assessment helps develop appropriate curriculum, helps teachers choose appropriate teaching strategies, and helps them to set goals for their students.

IV. Using Developmentally Effective Approaches

Upon completion of this program, candidates, will have the knowledge and understanding to create diverse and differentiated teaching strategies to help young children engage in their learning and diverse developmental stages. Candidates will understand the self-reflection practice to promote positive outcomes in their teaching, and they will know and be able to use a broad repertoire of developmentally appropriate teaching strategies/learning approaches.