



Education G.A.

Career Community: Education

Curriculum Code: 1843

Effective: Fall 2023 – Summer 2028

Purpose of Major

This degree is designed for students interested in pursuing a career in education, either through employment as a teacher paraprofessional or a preschool teacher/administrator in a daycare setting, or through transfer to a four-year institution to pursue a Bachelor's degree in Education leading to teacher certification in the state of Michigan. This Career Community includes the following pathways: Child Development and Early Education, Education, and Teacher Paraprofessional. This degree includes a set of courses common to all majors under this umbrella and to the majority of transfer institutions. Students beginning college in this degree program are encouraged to work with academic and program advisors throughout their first few semesters of study to determine their specific major area and transfer institution (if transfer is a goal).

Not all courses in this pathway transfer to all colleges.

Milestone

In addition to the required General Education courses in Math and English, completion of CHDV 101 with a 2.5, and EDUC 204 or EDUC 220 with a 2.0 or higher, is a key component for success in completing this program. Knowledge obtained in these courses is the foundation for learning in other required courses. Students are encouraged to contact their faculty if they need additional assistance with learning the concepts presented in these courses.

Additional Information

All CHDV courses must be completed with a minimum 2.5 grade and all non-CHDV courses in the Career Community block must be completed with a 2.0 grade to receive this degree.

Criminal background checks are required for employment in this field. For students in CHDV 111, CHDV 215, CHDV 220, and CHDV 284, criminal background checks and DHHS Central Registry Clearance are required to meet State of Michigan Child Care Licensing regulations. In addition, students may also be required to show proof of vaccinations, including COVID, prior to beginning field placement. Students enrolled in CHDV 284 may be required to complete a TB test for field placement.

Students taking EDUC 280 should be prepared to present a completed ICHAT (online State background check) to their practicum site at the beginning of the assignment.

Contact Information

For further information, including career options, course substitutions and waivers, etc., contact the Child Development department, Health and Human Services Building, Room 108, telephone number 517-483-1410 for information related to the Child Development and Early

Education program or the Social Sciences and Humanities department, Arts and Sciences Building, Room 2203, telephone number 517-483-1061 for information related to the Education or Teacher Paraprofessional program, or the Academic Advising Department, Gannon Building – Star Zone, telephone number 517-483-1904.

General Education – Applied Degrees

Select courses as indicated for specific transfer institutions and majors. These courses are preferred General Education courses listed on Transfer Articulation agreements. The recommended courses in each General Education category also meet Michigan Transfer Agreement (MTA) requirements. If no course is indicated, choose from the list of options under [General Education](#). A minimum grade of 2.0 is required for each General Education course.

- English Composition or Applied English
Education Career Community Courses meet this requirement.
- English Composition (second course)/Communication or Applied Communication
Education Career Community Courses meet this requirement.
- Humanities and Fine Arts or Social Sciences or Applied Social Sciences
Education Career Community Courses meet this requirement
- Mathematics or Applied Mathematics
Career Community Courses meets meet this requirement.
- Natural Sciences Lab or Applied Sciences and Technology Lab
Program of Study Required Courses meet this requirement.

Education Career Community Courses – *These courses are required for all Education programs. They should be taken before other Program Required or Limited Choice Courses. Some courses meet General Education requirements for Michigan Transfer Agreement (MTA). A minimum of 2.0 is required to meet LCC degree requirements for General Education courses and for all courses to transfer to other colleges (some colleges, and some programs within colleges, require a higher grade in a course.)*

Course Code	Course Title	Credit / Billing Hours
ACAD 100	First-Year Experience	1 / 1
CHDV 101	Child Growth/Develop: 0-12 Yrs	4 / 4
COMM 120 or COMM 130 or ENGL 122 or ENGL 132	Dynamics of Communication Fundamentals Public Speaking Composition II Honors Composition II	3 / 3 3 / 3 4 / 4 4 / 4
EDUC 204 or EDUC 220	Educational Psychology Introduction to Education	3 / 3 3 / 3
ENGL 121 or ENGL 131	Composition I or Honors Composition I	4 / 4 4 / 4

Course Code	Course Title	Credit / Billing Hours
MATH 119 or MATH 120 or STAT 170	Math - Applications for Living	4 / 4
	College Algebra	4 / 4
	Introduction to Statistics	4 / 4

Notes:

ACAD 100 may be waived when students meet one of the following College-approved waiver criteria:

- Completion of 12 college-level credits with minimum grades of 2.0 shown on the LCC transcript (including transfer, if applicable), or
- Employment in the field of, or a field related to, the degree being sought, or
- For Health Careers students, successful completion of CHSE 100.

Students wishing to waive ACAD 100 should contact their advisor.

For future transfer to:

- Central Michigan University (Pre-K-3, Pre-K-6, or 3-6) choose EDUC 220, ENGL 122 or 132, and MATH 120.
- Eastern Michigan University (Elementary Comprehensive or Early Childhood Comprehensive) choose EDUC 204, ENGL 122 or 132, and MATH 120.
- Ferris State University choose EDUC 220, ENGL 122 or 132, and MATH 120.
- Michigan State University (all Elementary) choose COMM 130, EDUC 204, and MATH 120.
- Grand Valley State University (all Elementary) choose EDUC 204.
- Saginaw Valley State University (Education) choose EDUC 220.
- University of Michigan Flint (Child Development) choose ENGL 122.
- Western Michigan University choose COMM 130, EDUC 220, and MATH 119.

Program of Study Required Courses, Limited Choice – Natural Sciences – *Select one as indicated for each transfer institution and major. If a specific course is not indicated for your transfer institution or major, select any course.*

Course Code	Course Title	Credit / Billing Hours
BIOL 120	Environmental Science	4 / 6
BIOL 121	Biol Foundation for Physiology	4 / 6
BIOL 125	Introductory Biology	4 / 6
CHEM 135	Chemistry in Society	4 / 5
ISCI 121	Physical Science Concepts	4 / 6
PHYS 120	The Art of Physics	4 / 5

For future transfer to:

- Central Michigan University, Eastern Michigan University, Ferris State University, and Grand Valley State University (Child Development or Education) choose BIOL 125.
- Michigan State University and Western Michigan University (Child Development or Education) choose BIOL 120.

- Saginaw Valley State University (Education) and University of Michigan Flint (Child Development) choose BIOL 121.

Program of Study Required Courses, Limited Choice -Select a minimum of 36 credits to reach the minimum of 60 credits required for the degree. Work with an Academic Advisor or Program Advisor to select the most appropriate courses or to select a field-specific major or transfer major that meets your educational and career goals. Some courses meet General Education requirements for the Michigan Transfer Agreement (MTA). A minimum of 2.0 is required to transfer to other colleges (some colleges, and some programs within colleges, require a higher grade in a course.)

Course Code	Course Title	Credit / Billing Hours
ARTS 240	Art for Elementary Teachers	3 / 4
CHDV 100	Foundations Early Childhood Ed	3 / 3
CHDV 111	Child Guidance/Communication	4 / 4
CHDV 122	Creativity and Play	1 / 1
CHDV 123	Literacy and Play	1 / 1
CHDV 124	Young Investigators: Math/Sci	1 / 1
CHDV 126	Discovery Learning: Inf/Tod Gps	1 / 1
CHDV 129	Caring for Youngest Learners	2 / 2
CHDV 132	Leadership Early Childhood Ed	2 / 2
CHDV 215	Infant Toddler Program Dev	4 / 4
CHDV 220	Preschool Curriculum Approach	4 / 4
CHDV 222	Caring for School-Age Children	2 / 2
CHDV 225	Families and Inclusion	4 / 4
CHDV 230	Early Childhood Program Admin	3 / 3
CHDV 284	Early Childhood Practicum	5 / 5
COMM 120 or COMM 130	Dynamics of Communication Fundamentals Public Speaking	3 / 3 3 / 3
EDUC 226	Reading in Elementary School	3 / 3
EDUC 228	Technology in Education	3 / 3
EDUC 230	Intro to Special Education	3 / 3
EDUC 280	Teacher Education Practicum	3 / 3
ENGL 208	Children's Literature	4 / 4
GEOG 120	Introduction to Geography	3 / 3
GEOG 200	World Regional Geography	4 / 4
HIST 211	U.S. History to 1877	4 / 4
HIST 212	U.S. History: 1877 to Present	4 / 4
HIST 214	African History	4 / 4
HIST 215	World History to 1500	4 / 4
HIST 216	World History since 1500	4 / 4
HIST 220	Michigan History	4 / 4
HUSE 110	Child Abuse and Neglect	3 / 3
ISCI 121	Physical Science Concepts	4 / 6
LING 230	Introduction to Linguistics	3 / 3

Course Code	Course Title	Credit / Billing Hours
MATH 201	Math for Elementary Teachers I	4 / 4
MATH 202	Math for Elementary Teachers II	4 / 4
MUSC 199	Music Appreciation	3 / 3
PFHW 123	Human Nutrition	3 / 3
PFKN 260	Growth and Motor Behavior	3 / 3
POLS 120	American Political System	4 / 4
PSYC 200	Introduction to Psychology	4 / 4
PSYC 205	Human Growth and Development	3 / 3
PSYC 221	Child Psychology	3 / 3
RELG 150	Intro to World Religions	4 / 4
RELG 210	Comparative Religions	3 / 3
SIGN 160	Intro to the Deaf Community	3 / 3
SIGN 161	American Sign Language I	3 / 3
SPAN 121	Elementary Spanish I	4 / 4
STAT 170	Introduction to Statistics	4 / 4

Minimum Total Credit Hours

60 credits / 61 billing hours

Recommended Course Sequence

Semester I
ACAD 100
CHDV 101 – Milestone course
EDUC 204 or EDUC 220 – Milestone course
ENGL 121 or 131

Semester II
COMM 120 or COMM 130 or ENGL 122 or ENGL 132
MATH 119 or MATH 120 or STAT 170
Limited Choice - Natural Sciences
Students who have decided on an academic program within the Education Career Community should select that program through the Change of Program Request form and follow the coursework outlined for the associated pathway.
Limited Choice courses for students completing the Education GA.

Semester III
Limited Choice courses for students completing the Education GA.

Semester IV
Limited Choice courses for students completing the Education GA.

LCC makes every effort to limit revisions to the pathways during their effective timeframe. However, the College reserves the right to update certificate and degree title changes, and make course changes as needed, without prior notice.