



Academic & Career **PATHWAYS**

Associate **in** Arts - Teaching (A.A.T.)

Early Childhood Education Emphasis – Advising Guide

With Missouri state certification in Early Childhood Education you will be qualified to teach children from birth through grade 3. Please note that this is the degree needed to teach Kindergarten. Appropriate MCC electives for this pathway include: EDUC 212; EDUC 215; EDUC 235; EDUC 285; PSYC 243. The MCC EDUC faculty encouraged students to pick their university and talk to the College of Education advisors there as soon as possible as they may direct you to even more specific electives to complete at MCC. In order to receive the degree of AAT, students must complete the required courses below, obtain at least state required scores on the MoGEA, and earn a minimum 2.75 GPA.

Semester 1		
Course	Credits	Action Steps
BIOL 101 (Biology Requirement)	5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meet with Academic Advisor to build degree plan in Starfish
^COMM 100 or ^COMM 102 (Oral Communications)	3	
^ENGL 101 (Written Communications)	3	
^MATH 119 or higher (Mathematical Sciences)	3-5*	
Total Credits	14-16	
Semester 2		
^EDUC 200 (Education Requirement)	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Research/contact transfer institutions
PSYC 140 (Social & Behavioral Sciences)	3	
^ENGL 102 (Written Communications)	3	
ENGL 220, ENGL 221, ENGL 222, ENGL 223, ENGL 254, ENGL 255, PHIL 100, PHIL 101, PHIL 148, PHIL 200, or PHIL 203 (^Humanities & Fine Arts)	3	
CHEM, GEOG, GEOL or PHYS (Natural Sciences – must have lab)	4 – 5*	
Total Credits	16 - 17	
Semester 3		
^EDUC 201 (Education Requirement)	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Complete Civics exam with 70% or higher
HIST 120, or HIST 121 (American Institutions/Civics)	3	
ART 108, HIST 133, HIST 134, HUMN 133, HUMN 134, MUSI 108, PHIL 100, PHIL 101, PHIL 148, PHIL 200, PHIL 203, or THEA 106 (^Humanities & Fine Arts)	3	
PSYC 240, or PSYC 243(Social & Behavioral Sciences)	3 – 4*	
EDUC 212, EDUC 215, EDUC 235, or EDUC 285 (elective)	3	
Total Credits	15 - 16	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Apply for admission at transfer institution • Apply for scholarships at transfer institution



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Semester 4		
^EDUC 270 (Education Requirement)	3	• Apply for graduation
^EDUC 280 (Education Requirement)	3	
POLS 136 (American Institutions)	3	
ART 108, ART 150, ART 151, HIST 133, HIST 134, HUMN 133, HUMN 134, MUSI 108, PHIL 100, PHIL 101, PHL 148, PHIL 200, PHIL 203, or THEA 106 (^^Humanities & Fine Arts)	3	
EDUC 212, EDUC 215, EDUC 255, or EDUC 285 (Elective, pick two courses)	6	
Total Credits	18	
	Credits Required	63*
*The A.A.T. degree requires a minimum of 63 total credits to graduate. When selecting a course from multiple options, please consider the number of credits for each course to ensure meeting the minimum requirements for graduation.		

This Pathway Map is an advising tool designed for full-time students on this A.A.T. degree and identifies the course taking recommendations for timely degree completion. Please be aware that all pathway maps can be modified to fit the individual needs of students. Degree requirements and prerequisites information can be found here: <https://mcckc.edu/programs/aat/index.aspx>

All students are encouraged to meet with their academic advisor to develop an individualized completion plan that best meets their goals, interest, and objectives.

^Course requires a prerequisite or appropriate placement, see catalog for additional information.

^^This degree required 3 courses in humanities, each in a different area of study with one being a literature or philosophy.