

Mayville State University

Early Childhood
Associate of Arts



Available Online

Personal Service

We pride ourselves on being just the right size to give students the time they need to be successful. Our average class size is 15, so you will have small, personalized class settings to receive the education that you deserve. Your professors will introduce you to new ways of thinking, explore issues creatively, and evaluate ideas as you engage in the world.

Flexible

You can complete the Early Childhood Associate degree completely online. Summer classes allow you to focus and complete a course in a shorter time frame, and online class options are available for course requirements.

Success

Our students have a high rate of employment. We also have internship opportunities to give you real, hands-on learning experiences and make your resumé stand out.



Value

The combination of MSU's affordability and its unique offerings make it a Best in the Midwest College, as designated by the Princeton Review. This selection process is based on meeting criteria for academic excellence as well as results of surveys done by current MSU students.

The Program

Real world experience is key to learning how to best work with young children as a teacher/caregiver. Mayville State University's early childhood program provides hands-on experience in our Child Development Center and prepares you to make an impact on the lives of young children. [The Early Childhood Associate program is also offered as an online program option.](#)

MSU's early childhood program will give you the opportunity to further your professional growth. Courses completed in the A.A. program can be applied directly to bachelor's programs in early childhood, and the program takes full advantage of distance learning opportunities to provide flexibility.

Advantages

Hands-on experiences. The early childhood program offers you several opportunities for hands-on experiences working with preschool students and teachers. MSU's on-campus Child Development Center is a great place for early childhood students to work with young children. The MSU Child Development Programs include licensed child care for children six weeks to six years old, Head Start for eligible children ages 3 to 5 years, Early Head Start for children ages six weeks to three years, and after-school care for local elementary students.

Flexibility. The early childhood program uses distance learning technology to provide the kind of flexible experience that meets the needs of both traditional and non-traditional students.



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The Early Childhood Associate degree prepares students to teach in a variety of preschool settings. A Head Start distance learning program provides North Dakota Head Start teachers the opportunity to complete Early Childhood A.A. degrees or minors. Students may consider additional coursework in the early childhood specialization areas as an enhancement to their AA degree. Early Childhood Associates complete 36 hours of essential studies courses including CIS 175, COMM 110, ENGL 110, ENGL 120 or ENGL 125, and PSYC 111, which are required courses for this major.

HPER 100-Concepts of Fitness and Wellness, CIS 119-Computer Application Software are institutional requirements (5 SH).

Core Requirements:

EC 210	Introduction to ECE	3 SH
EC 211	Observation/Assessment/ Interpretation	3 SH
EC 298	Child Development (AA) Internship	3 SH
EC 313	Language and Literacy in ECE	3 SH
EC 320	Infants and Toddlers	3 SH
EC 333	Pre-K Methods/Materials	3 SH
EC 335	Art, Music, and Play in ECE	3 SH
EC 336	Social/Emotional Development	3 SH
EC 376	Field Experience in ECE	1 SH
SPED 337	Special Needs in ECE	3 SH

Sub-total 28 SH
Essential Studies Courses 36 SH
Institutional Requirements 5 SH
Total 69 SH



Next Steps

1. Apply for Admission

The first step in becoming a Mayville State degree seeking student is applying for admission. You can complete your Application for Admission online at: www.mayvillestate.edu. Once there, click on "Apply!" A \$35 application fee is required.

2. Submit Official College Transcripts

You must also submit official college transcripts from all schools you have attended. Please have your transcripts mailed to: Admissions Office, Mayville State University, 330 Third Street NE, Mayville, ND 58257.

3. Apply for Financial Aid

To apply for federal and state financial aid, you must complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and list Mayville State University (Title IV school code 002993) as one of your schools of choice. To receive top priority for grants and loans, submit your FAFSA by March 15 at www.fafsa.ed.gov.

4. Watch your Mail and Email

Keep an eye on your mailbox and your email inbox. You will receive a number of important letters and emails from Mayville State including your letter of admission, information about registration and other important information to get started with your classes.



**If you are interested in completing
 this degree as an online student and
 have questions, please call:
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