Bachelor of Science

Major: Early Childhood Education Specialization: Birth to Age 8 2021-2022 Sample 4-Year Plan Total Degree Requirements: 120 credits

Student	Student ID#	Student Phone #	
Advisor	Minimum GPA	Minor/Career Interest(s)	

Students are not limited to this plan; it is meant to be used as a guide for planning purposes in consultation with your advisor. The sample schedule is one possible path to completing your degree within four years. For official program requirements, please refer to the Undergraduate Catalog.

First Year

Fall

Prefix + Number	Course Title	Prerequisites/Comments	Credits	Semester	Grade
BIOL 101/L	Biology Survey I and Lab	SGR #6	3		
EHS 119	EHS Seminar		2		
ENGL 101	Composition I	p. Placement, SGR #1	3		
HDFS 210	Lifespan Development	SGR #3	3		
SGR #4	Arts and Humanities/Diversity	SGR #4	3		
Elective	Student choice	(or take 4 credit SGR #4 course)	1		
		Total Credit Hours	15		

Spring

Prefix + Number	Course Title	Prerequisites/Comments	Credits	Semester	Grade
ECE 150/L	Early Experience and Lab		2		
GEOG 131/L OR GEOG 132/L	Physical Geography: Weather & Climate and Lab OR Physical Geography: Natural Landscapes	SGR #6	4		
MATH 114 or MATH 103	College Algebra Mathematical Reasoning	SGR #5	3		
PSYC 101	General Psychology	SGR #3	3		
CMST 101	Fundamentals of Speech	SGR #2	3		
		Total Credit Hours	15		

Second Year

Fall

Prefix + Number	Course Title	Prerequisites/Comments	Credits	Semester	Grade
AIS 211	SD American Indian Culture and Education	Teacher certification requirement	3		
EDFN 475	Human Relations	Teacher certification requirement	3		
ENGL 201	Composition II	p. ENGL 101, SGR #1	3		
EPSY 201	The Science of Learning		3		
HDFS 241	Family Relations		3		
		Total Credit Hours	15		

Spring

Prefix + Number	Course Title	Prerequisites/Comments	Credits	Semester	Grade
ECE 196	Field Experience *	*Courses must be taken together	1		
ECE 240	Child Development I: Prenatal to 2*		3		
ECE 241	Child Development II: 3 to 8 Years *		3		
ECE 325	Inclusion and the Diverse Learner		3		
PHYS 216/L	Physical Science for Early Childhood and Lab	Spring Only	3	S	

MATH 245

Students must meet all GPA Requirements (2.6 for graduation, 2.8 in major courses including ECE, HDFS, and EDFN) and be accepted into the ECE Teacher Education program/ECE-PSI and ECE-PS II.

Students will be required to pass the PRAXIS content and Principles of Teaching and Learning exams in order to be considered a Highly Qualified Teacher.

South Dakota Certification requirements