

## **Early Childhood Education**

Poplarville Campus

### **Program Description:**

The Early Childhood Education program provides preparation for a professional career in the field of Early Childhood Education spanning a variety of career options. Instructional programs include classroom instruction and supervised laboratory/collaborative center or work experience in the field of child care. Students develop competencies which will enable them to provide services, to teach, and to guide young children as related to various early childhood professions. An Associate of Applied Science degree (AAS) is earned upon successful completion of the Early Childhood Education Technology curriculum.

Included is the study of:

- child growth and development (birth to 8 years)
- behavior guidance
- health/nutrition and safety
- program planning and management
- child abuse and neglect
- regulations and policies relating to child care services
- interpersonal relationships and law
- early intervention

Jobs are available for workers in public, private, or parochial child care programs including those in :

- industrial/institutional centers
- public/private child care facilities which serve children of all socioeconomic levels and abilities
- recreational centers

Job titles include, but are not limited to:

#### Traditional:

Head Start teacher  
Child Care teacher  
Family Child Care Home provider  
Nanny  
School Age provider  
Early Intervention/ Special Needs  
Para-teacher Aide

#### Related:

Family and Human Services Worker  
LPN- specialized nurse training  
Children's Entertainer  
Social Service Aide  
Physical Therapy assistant  
Activity Director for elder care  
Faith Community Coordinator

## **Admission Requirements:**

1. Submit PRCC Application for Admission;
2. Submit an official transcript from an accredited high school indicating date of graduation or GED transcript indicating passing;
3. Submit an official transcript from every college attended (if applicable);
4. Must have ACT scores;
5. Must submit PRCC Early Childhood Education Technology application (*link to application on webpage*);
6. Must submit an up-to-date immunization record;
7. Must pass a criminal records check;
8. Must complete Fingerprinting and pay the Fingerprinting fee of \$35;
9. Must successfully complete all required developmental courses before entering sophomore course work.

**Curriculum** (*link to technical programs pdf*)

**Course Descriptions** (*link to technical programs pdf*)

## **Contact Information:**

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