

Early Childhood Development

-  Certificate of Proficiency
-  Technical Certificate
-  A.A.S.

Courses include but are not limited to:

- Child Guidance
- Health and Safety for Children
- Curriculum and Assessment for Infants and Toddlers
- Curriculum and Assessment for Young Children
- Facilities and Equipment
- Future Perspectives in Early Childhood
- Educational Technology

Description:

The Early Childhood Development program combines classroom study and field experience with children birth to 8-years of age. Students gain an understanding of the social, emotional, intellectual, and physical growth and development of all children within an inclusive environment.

Field experiences are gained through UACCM’s Earle Love Child Study Center, a fully licensed child care center, and other quality sites.

Completion of the AAS program includes 340 hours in field experience.

After UACCM

Graduates are employed as:

- Child care facility owners and directors
- Child care center directors
- Head Start teachers
- Infant/toddler teachers
- Preschool teachers
- Assistant teachers
- Paraprofessionals
- Arkansas Better Chance Preschool Paraprofessionals

Examples of potential employers:

Earle Love Child Study Center, Morrilton
Early Learning Enrichment Center,
Beginnings, Child Development, Inc.,
Kids First, Community Action Program of
Central Arkansas.

Arkansas - Local Area:

Arkansas - Local Area - Preschool Teachers:

Entry-level Annual Wage: \$15,960
Mean Annual Wage: \$25,570

Requirements:

TB skin clearance, satisfactory criminal and maltreatment background check, and American Heart Association Heart Saver certification. These requirements are due before the first day of class.

Preschool and Child Care Center Administrators:

Entry-level Annual Wage: \$25,290
Mean Annual Wage: \$38,730