



Mission: To offer inspiration through advanced instruction and authentic experiences.

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Conferences can be scheduled via the counselors between 7:45 and 8:15 am

Early Childhood Practicum

The practicum offers a candidate in the Early Childhood Education career pathway a field experience under the direct supervision of a certified early childhood educator (mentor). This field experience may be used as partial requirements for the candidate to earn the nationally recognized CDA credential. The practicum stresses observing, analyzing, and classifying activities of the mentor and comparing personal traits with those of successful early childhood educators. The candidate intern will develop a portfolio of their skills, plan and teach a lesson or lessons, understand and practice confidentiality as it pertains to the teaching profession, meet the needs of students with special needs, maintain the safety of the students, practice professionalism, and demonstrate ethical behavior. [Standards](#)

Course Objectives

AAS associates will

- demonstrate industry-recognized employability skills
- model work readiness traits required for success in the workplace including integrity, honesty, accountability, punctuality, time management, and respect for diversity.
- create a portfolio demonstrating knowledge, skills and experiences from the Early Childhood Practicum
- participate in internship and demonstrate and practice confidentiality in upholding the privacy of teachers, children, and their families in all matters
- demonstrate knowledge of basic safety procedures required at the candidate's internship work site
- design a child guidance and behavior plan that includes consequences and rewards
- complete internship with mentor teacher

Required Supplies
<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Fully charged Chromebook● Chromebook charger● 3-ring binder (Portfolio)● Pen or Pencil● Navy Scrubs

Expectations for Academic Success

- Attend class daily and on time.
- Be prepared for class.
- Respect yourself and others.
- Ask questions.
- Contribute new ideas.
- Work hard, and give your best effort.
- Participate in your CTSO.

Grade Calculation

Summative Assessments = 40%	Formative Assessments = 40%
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Authentic learning projects, exams, presentations, essays, labs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Practice Work: classwork, homework, quizzes, labs, employability skills
Culminating Final Exam/Project= 20%	
<p>All courses will have a culminating exam or project that assesses associate learning of the semester's course content. This exam/project will be 20% of the overall course grade.</p>	

Make-up Work

Associates who are absent are required to contact the instructor for make-up work. The associate will have the same number of days that they are absent to complete the make-up work.

Late Work Policy

Associates must have all late work turned in by the end of each term. Each week the assignment is late 10% percent will be deducted from the overall assignment grade. .

Employability/Soft Skills

School Wide Activities:

- Dress for Success Days
- Network Luncheon
- Mock Interviews
- Pathway Shadowing
- Classroom Jobs

The dates for the activities will be provided by the Admin. Team.

Career and Technical Student Organization [CTSOs]

Associates will have the opportunity to participate in the Future Georgia FGE. The fee is \$30.00. Associates will volunteer, complete in Future Georgia date, and create activities share awareness of the teaching profession.