Requirements for a Bachelor of Science Degree in Education & Human Sciences

UNL Option Sheet
Option: Child Development / Early Childhood Education

Total Hours Required for Degree: 120

I. ACHIEVEMENT CENTERED EDUCATION (21-33 hrs)
All UNL students will be required to complete a minimum of 3 hours of approved course work in each of the 10 designated ACE areas. Check with your advisor to be certain that your ACE classes are in the best interest of your academic program.

ACE #1 Written Tests Incorporating Research & Knowledge Skills
ENGL 101, 150, 151, 254 (3 hrs)

ACE #2 Communication Skills
ALEC 102; COMM 109, 209, 210, 283, 286 (3 hrs)

ACE #3 Mathematical, Computational, Statistical, or Formal Reasoning Skills
ECON 215; MATH 104, 106, 107, 203, 208;
STAT 218; EDPS 459 (3 hrs)

ACE #4 Study of Scientific Methods & Knowledge of Natural & Physical World
ENTO 115 & 116; NRES 108; METR 200; ANTH 242/242L; LIFE 120/120L, 121/121L; CHEM 105, 109, 110, 113; GEOI 101, 103;
GEOG 155; PHYS 141, 142, 151, 153, 260, 262; TMFD 206 (3 or 4 hrs)

ACE #5 Study of Humanities
CYAF 160 (3 hrs)

ACE #6 Study of Social Sciences
CYAF 210/210L, CYAF 374/374L Curriculum Planning in ECE

ACE #7 Study of the Arts to Understand Their Context & Significance
(Any) (3 hrs)

ACE #8 Ethical Principles, Civics, Stewardship & Their Importance to Society
(Any) (3 hrs)

ACE #9 Global Awareness, Knowledge of Human Diversity through Analysis of an Issue
CYAF 495 (3 hrs)

ACE #10 Integration of Abilities, Capacities in a Creative or Scholarly Product
CYAF 497A (3 hrs)

II. PROFESSIONAL/CYAF DEPARTMENT CORE REQUIREMENTS
All CYAF courses must be taken for a grade, not P/N. Min. ‘C’ grade required
*Exception is LIBR 110

CYAF 160 Human Development & Family (3 hrs)
CYAF 222 Introduction to Family Finance (3 hrs)
CYAF 333 Families in the Economy (3 hrs)
CYAF 380 Work with Family, Comm & School (3 hrs)
CYAF 382 Parenting (3 hrs)
CYAF 488 Child & Family Policy (3 hrs)
CYAF 495 Special Topics Family & Cultural (3 hrs)
*LIBR 110 Introduction to Library Research (1 hr)

CHILD DEVELOPMENT/EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUC CORE (CYCD)

CYAF 270/270L. Development of Preschool Child (3 hrs)
CYAF 271/271L Infancy (4 hrs)
CYAF 374/374L Curriculum Planning in ECE (4 hrs)
CYAF 210/210L Applied Soc Dev & Methods of Guidance (3 hrs)
CYAF 474 Assess in Early Childhood (3 hrs)
CYAF 497A Student teaching in Early Childhood (12 hrs)
NUTR 100 Healthy Lifestyles (3 hrs)

Atypical Development: Select one:
SPED 201, 303, 480; PSYC 380;
SLPA 150; EDPS 462 (3 hrs)

Choose 2 courses from:
CYAF 371/L Methods of working with Infants in . . . (3 hrs)
CYAF 383 Emergent Literacy Methods for Young Children (3 hrs)
CYAF 384 Worlds of Wonder: . . . (3 hrs)

III. CHILD DEVELOPMENT/EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION CONCENTRATION
All CYAF courses must be taken for a grade, not P/N. Min. ‘C’ grade required

Choose one concentration area below.

Program Management – 12 Hours

CYAF 477 Administration of Early Child Programs (3 hrs)

Leadership: Select one:
EDAD 421; ALEC 202, 302 (3 hrs)

Business: Select two:
ACCT 202; ECON 210; MNGT 121, 320, 321; or ENTR 291 (6 hrs)

Nature Education – 12 Hours

CYAF 384 Worlds of Wonder: . . . (3 hrs)

Choose 3 courses from: (9 hrs)
ANTH 473 Ecological Anthropology (3 hrs)
LIFE 120/120L Fundamentals of Biology I and Lab (4 hrs)
BIOS 252 Ecological Issues in the Great Plains (3 hrs)
CYAF 493/893 Contemporary Family Issues (3 hrs)
ENTO 109 Beekeeping (2 hrs)
ENTO 116 Insect Identification (1 hr)
ENTO 115 Insect Biology (3 hrs)
ENVR 201 Sci, Sysm, Enviro and Sustain (3 hrs)
HORT 200 Landscape and Enviro Appreciation (3 hrs)
NRES 220 Principles of Ecology (1 hr)
NRES 222 Ecology Laboratory (1 hr)
SOCI 446 Environmental Sociology (3 hrs)

Infants and Toddlers -12 Hours

CYAF 371/L Methods of Working with Infants & Fam (3 hrs)
SPED 463 Medically Fragile Infants (3 hrs)
CYAF 4971 Student Teaching in Early Childhood (6 hrs)

Pre-Graduate School/Research
Emphasis – 12 Hours

CYAF 498 Research Experience in CYAF (3 hrs)

6 hours in Research Methods:

Choose two from:
EDPS 459, 470; PSYC 350, 450; OR SOCI 205, 206, 207 (6 hrs)

Select elective from suggested list:
PSYC 270, 470; or Nature Education Electives (see above) (3-6 hrs)

Elective Hours: (23-26 hrs.) depending = 120 credit hours