Baccalaureate Degree Plan Associate in Arts (AA) to BS Child Life

The sequence below is contingent on the student completing the AA degree from a college in the North Carolina Community College System.

NC Community College First Year					
Fall Semester					
NCCCS Course	NCCC s.h	ECU Course Equivalent	ECU s.h.		
ENG 111	3	ENGL 1100 (WI) ¹	3		
BIO 110 or 111- UGETC Natural Sciences Course	4	BIOL 1050/51 or 1100/01	4		
PSY 150-UGETC Social Science	3	PSYC 1000	3		
HEA 110 ² -CAA Premajor/Elective	3	HLTH 1000/KINE 1000 ²	3		
ACA 122-CAA Premajor/Elective	1	COAD 1xxx (Elective Credit)	1		
Total:	14		14		
	Spring Se	emester			
COM 231-UGETC Humanities/Fine Arts	3	COMM 2410	3		
UGETC Mathematics Course	3 or 4	General Education Course	3 or 4		
SOC 210-UGETC Social Science	3	SOCI 2110 (DD) ⁴	3		
CAA GEN ED Courses	5 or 6	General Education Courses	5 or 6		
Total:	15		15		
NC Community College Second Year					
Fall Semester					
NCCCS Course	NCCC s.h	ECU Course Equivalent	ECU s.h.		
ENG 112	3	ENGL 2201 (WI) ¹	3		
PHI 240-UGETC Humanities/Fine Arts	3	PHIL 1175 (DD) ⁴	3		
UGETC Social Science Course	3	General Education Course	3		
ASL 111-CAA GEN ED	3	ASLS 2020	3		
CAA Premajor/Elective	3	General Education or Elective Course	3		
Total:	15		15		
Spring Semester					
UGETC Humanities/Fine Arts Course	3	General Education Course	3		
CAA GEN ED Courses	5	General Education Courses	5		
BIO 163-CAA Premajor/Elective	5	BIOL 2130/2131	5		
CAA Premajor/Elective	3	General Education or Elective Course	3		
CAA Premajon/Elective					
Total:	16		16		

UGETC - Universal General Education Transfer Component courses

CAA GEN ED - Additional General Education Hours (AA requires 13-14 hours; AS requires 11 hours)

Pre-Major/Elective - Courses classified as pre-major, electives, or general education courses within the CAA (ACA 122 is required)

NOTE: Credit will only be awarded for transferable courses for which a grade of C (2.0) or better is earned.

¹Students enrolling at ECU must fulfill the writing across the curriculum requirement prior to graduation. To do so, each student must complete a minimum of four writing intensive courses, including ENGL 1100 and ENGL 2201, at least one writing intensive course in the major; and any other writing intensive course of the student's choice.

²Students who have successfully completed HEA 110 since the Fall 2016 term will earn ECU credit for both HLTH 1000 (2 hours) and KINE 1000 (1 hour). Students who completed HEA 110 prior to the Fall 2016 term and who have not also taken PED 110 will be responsible for meeting the Health-Related Physical Activity Competency component of the ECU General Education Program to meet degree requirements.



Schedule of Courses Upon Admission to ECU Associate in Arts (AA) to BS Child Life

ECU Junior Year					
Fall Semester		Spring Semester			
HDFS 1103	3	HDFS 2021	2		
HDFS 2000	3	HDFS 3022	3		
HDFS 2001	3	HDFS 3150	3		
HDFS 3002	3	HDFS 3600	3		
MUSC 4277/4287	3	NUTR 1000	3		
		Restricted Elective ³	3		
Total:	15	Total:	17		
ECU Senior Year					
Fall Semester		Spring Semester			
HDFS 3321	3	ANTH 1050	3		
HDFS 3413 (WI) ¹	3	HDFS 4303	3		
HDFS 4000	3	HDFS 4993	3		
HDFS 4201	3	HIMA 3000	3		
SOCW 4505	3	Restricted Elective ³	3		
Total:	15	Total:	15		
ECU Summer after Senior Year					
HDFS 4210	3	PSYC 3310	3		
Total: 6					
Fall Semester after Senior Year					
HDFS 4415	12				
Total: 12					

³Choose 6 s.h. from the following courses: ANTH 3252 or SOCI 3327; ART 3850; ASLS 2020; CSDI 2100; HLTH 2125/2126; IRHE 2000; LIBS 3200; MUSC 3048, 3058, RCTX 2200. (**NOTE**: If the student completes ASL 111 at the community college, only 6 hours of Restricted Electives must be completed through enrollment at ECU. If ASL 111 is not completed at the community college, 9 hours of Restricted Electives must be completed through enrollment at ECU.)

Minimum Credit Hours Required for Graduation:

120

The Bachelor of Science in Child Life requires a minimum of 120 semester hours. ECU requires a minimum 2.0 overall GPA and a minimum 2.0 major GPA for graduation. Acceptance into this major is on a competitive, space-available basis with admission each year prior to fall semester. To be admitted into the child life program, an application packet must be submitted to the child life program coordinator after the student has completed a minimum of 45 semester hours (45 s.h.), including the following courses with a minimum grade of B (3.0) or better: HDFS 2000, HDFS 2001, HDFS 2021, HDFS 3002, HDFS 3150; NUTR 1000; and an overall GPA of at least B (3.0). To remain in the program, students must maintain a 3.0 GPA with a minimum grade of B (3.0) in the following courses prior to internship (HDFS 4415): HDFS 3022, HDFS 3321, HDFS 3413, HDFS 4201, HDFS 4210, HDFS 4303, HDFS 4410, HDFS 4993. Students must have a minimum 3.0 GPA to enroll in the child life internship (HDFS 4415) and earn a minimum grade of B (3.0) in the internship to graduate as a child life major. Internships are nationally competitive, require formal application to the desired hospital or health care setting and typically need to be arranged one semester before enrollment. Students are responsible for interviewing and securing their own internship.

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For more information, visit the Department of Human Development and Family Science website:

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⁴NOTE: Completion of a 3 s.h. Global Diversity (GD) course and a 3 s.h. Domestic Diversity (DD) course are requirements of all ECU degrees. Though not required for transfer, recommended or required courses marked with GD or DD above should satisfy the requirement; students may choose other courses in these recommended areas. These courses can coincide with other General Education or Major courses. A list of all courses approved to meet the Global and Domestic Diversity requirement can be found in the University catalog: http://catalog.ecu.edu, click on the "Courses" link.

This plan reflects the degree program's requirements published in the 2021-2022 university catalog. All guides are meant as an example of how a degree can be completed. Course availability, prior credit, course prerequisites, major requirements, and student needs must be considered in developing an individual academic pathway. Following the Baccalaureate Degree Plan does not guarantee admission to ECU or guarantee an AA or BS degree will be conferred. Students should seek academic advising to determine the best course of study to meet educational goals and degree requirements.

Please refer to the East Carolina University Admissions website for more information on admission and transfer of credits.