Early Childhood Development and Learning Major
(B.A., B.A.A., B.S. Degrees)

Admission Requirements, Retention & Termination Standards
1. Students must have completed or currently be enrolled in HDF 100 or EDU 280 or PSY 220 and must have a minimum GPA of 2.0 in order to sign a major.
2. Student must have a minimum program GPA of 2.7 in order to graduate with this major.
3. Student must receive a grade of C+ or better in HDF 409 in order to graduate with this major.

Required Courses (3 hours)
Select one of the following:
EDU 280 – Education of Children 3(3-0)
HDF 100 – Lifespan Development 3(3-0)
PSY 220 – Developmental Psychology 3(3-0)

Development & Family Courses (14 hours)
HDF 302 – Infant and Toddler Development 4(3-2)
HDF 303 – Early Childhood Development 4(3-2)
HDF 309 – Families, Schools, and Communities 3(3-0)
HDF 400 – Developmental Assessment of Children 3(3-0)

Learning Courses (15 hours)
HDF 200 – Constructivism as a Tool for Learning 2(2-0)
HDF 402 – Human Growth and Development: Guidance for Young Children 4(Spec)
HDF 403 – Best Practices in Early Childhood Settings 3(3-0)
HDF 508 – Human Growth and Development: Preschool Administration 3(3-0)
SPE 585 – Early Childhood Special Education 3(3-0)

Trends & International Applications Courses (3 hours)
Select one of the following in consultation with advisor:
HDF 320 – HDFS International Service Learning 3-6(Spec)
HDF 497 – Special Topics in Human Development & Family Studies 1-15(Spec)
HDF 510 – Child Development Seminar: Promoting Resilience 3(3-0)

Capstone (8 hours)
HDF 409 – Lead Teaching in Early Childhood 8(spec)

Total: 43 semester hours