



Education & Human Services

2-Year Program

Plattsburgh Campus

The Education & Human Services Program is a two-year program designed for students interested in pursuing a career in the education or human services field. The program provides students an overview of the physical, cognitive, social, and emotional characteristics and development of children. Through a combination of academics and hands-on learning, students will be responsible for developing and implementing various age-appropriate lesson plans.

Pre-school age lesson plans are implemented in our very own on-site pre-school. Students learn and demonstrate developmentally appropriate knowledge of children from birth through high school age students. These, as well as other hands-on experiences, such as internships, will expose students to real-life situations and experiences in early childhood education, K-12 general and special education classrooms, and other related human services

fields. Worksite experiences are provided in: Pre-K Programs, Day Care Programs, Head Start Programs, and K-12 General Education & Special Education Classrooms



Program Highlights

- Plan, prepare, and conduct developmentally appropriate activities for preschoolers
- Manage a preschool clinical setting
- Identify stages of child development
- Plan and prepare nutritious snacks
- Develop and use behavior management skills with children
- Special emphasis on teamwork, decision making and communication skills

Career Connections

- Elementary Teacher (college 2+2 program for an additional four-year degree)
- Preschool Teacher
- Family Day Care Operator
- Day Care Teacher
- Day Care Director
- Social Worker
- Teacher's Aide/Assistant
- Special Education Aide/Assistant
- School Therapy OT/PT
- Early Intervention Specialist

Articulation Agreements

- Clinton Community College
- SUNY Canton
- SUNY Cobleskill
- Herkimer Community College

Certifications

- First Aid/CPR
- Child Development Associate (CDA) Credential Preparation
- NWRC/21st Century Skills

Course of Study

Establishing & Managing a Child-Centered Environment

- Identifies & Develops Learning Centers
- Arranges Room for Optimal Learning
- Designs/Displays Thematic Bulletin Boards
- Follows/Adapts Daily Preschool Schedule
- Identifies Value of Play
- Demonstrates Knowledge of Licensing a Child Care Center
- Provides a Safe Environment Both Indoors/Outdoors

Creative Teaching Techniques

- Demonstrates Storytelling Techniques
- Designs & Prepares Puppets
- Demonstrates Correct Use of Puppets
- Uses Creative Dramatics in Teaching
- Uses Creative Movement in Teaching
- Performs in Front of Groups with Ease
- Uses Thematic Approach to Teaching

Children's Literature

- Reads Aloud with Expression
- Identifies Children's Literature N-6 as recognized by ALA
- Develops & Illustrates Children's Books
- Writes Original Children's Stories/Fractured Fairy Tales
- Identifies Award Winning Literature for Children

Leadership Skills

- Demonstrates Responsibilities of Teacher Aide
- Demonstrates Responsibilities of Assistant Teacher
- Demonstrates Responsibilities of Lead Teacher

Child Health Safety Nutrition

- Certified in CPR/First-Aid/AED for Children
- Demonstrates & Practices Good Health Habits
- Selects & Prepares Nutritious Snacks
- Operates Equipment Safely
- Encourages a Relaxed Atmosphere at Mealtimes
- Demonstrates Proper Food Handling & Storage
- Develops Recipe Collection for children's Foods

Child Development & Psychology

- Identifies Basic Development 0-8 yrs.
- Utilizes behavior management techniques
- Relates Well with Children
- Identifies Developmental Theorists
- Develops Personal Philosophy of Education

Infant/toddler Curriculum

- Establish and Maintain Indoor/Outdoor Environment
- Understand Developmentally Appropriate Practice(DAP)
- Show Knowledge of Recommended Nutrition Guidelines
- Select Appropriate Toys & Equipment
- Demonstrate Specific Knowledge and Skill in Diapering, Toilet Training and Dressing

Pre-School Curriculum

- Establish and Maintain Indoor/Outdoor Environment
- Ability to Choose, Plan, Prepare & Present DAP Activities for Pre-Schoolers
- Demonstrates Transitional Activities
- Meets the Developmental Needs of Children