

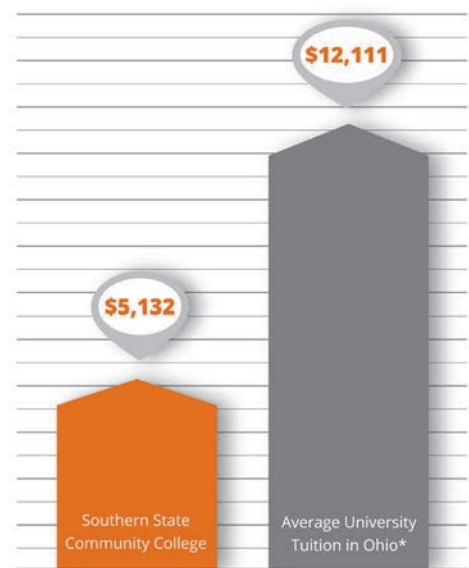
# Early Childhood Education

## Associate Degree Pathway



Every year, many people earn their teaching degree and are poised to **make a difference** in the minds of future generations. According to the National Center for Education Information (NCEI) the number of teachers employed is expected to grow to nearly 4 million. You also may be surprised to learn how **competitive teaching salaries** are. Generous benefits and extensive vacation time also make getting a teaching degree even better. Sound like something you might be interested in? **Let's get started** on your Education pathway!

### TUITION COMPARISON



\* undergraduate annual tuition for university main campuses  
Source: Fall 2022 Survey of Student Charges  
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# Education Pathway Degree Program

## IMPORTANT QUALITIES

- Communication skills. Teachers need good communication skills to tell parents and colleagues about students' progress.
- Creativity. Teachers must plan lessons that engage students.
- Interpersonal skills.
- Organizational skills.
- Patience.
- Physical stamina.

## JOB OUTLOOK

According to the **U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics**, the employment of preschool teachers is projected to **grow 18 percent** from 2020 to 2030, much faster than the average for all occupations. About **59,600 openings** for preschool teachers are projected each year, on average, over the decade. Many of those openings are expected to result from the need to replace workers who transfer to different occupations or exit the labor force, such as to retire.

## EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION - 485 Associate Degree

### First Semester Year 1

EDUC 1140	Introduction to Early Childhood Education
EDUC 2234	Technology in Education
EDUC 1145	Observation / Assessment of Children
EDUC 1000	Introduction to Child Development
ENGL 1101	English Composition I

### Second Semester Year 1

BIOL 1125	Environmental Science
EDUC 2230	Children's Literature with Reading Approaches
EDUC 2219	Infant / Toddler Care & Education
EDUC 1118	Guiding Children's Behavior & Learning
EDUC 2243	Individuals With Exceptionalities

### Third Semester Year 2

EDUC 1163	Social Studies for the Young Child
EDUC 2217	Science & Math Experiences for the Young Child
PSYC 1110	Principles of Psychology
EDUC 1110	Creative Arts for the Young Child
EDUC 2215	Health / Physical Education for Children
FNAR 1104	Introduction to the Arts

### Fourth Semester Year 2

EDUC 2228	Families, Communities & Schools
PSYC 2241	Educational Psychology
MATH 1115	Math for the Business & Social Sciences
EDUC 2240	Early Childhood Practicum
EDUC 2241	Early Childhood Seminar

Get an **Associate of Science Degree** at SSCC and then follow a pathway to a 4-year college to **complete a teaching degree**.

- Early Elementary (*PreK-5th Grade*)
- Middle Childhood (*4th – 9th Grade*)
- Adolescent-to-Young Adult (*7th – 12th Grade*)
- Special Education



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## Please note:

This degree pathway can be  
**completed online.**