

Paraprofessional Education

Associate Degree Pathway



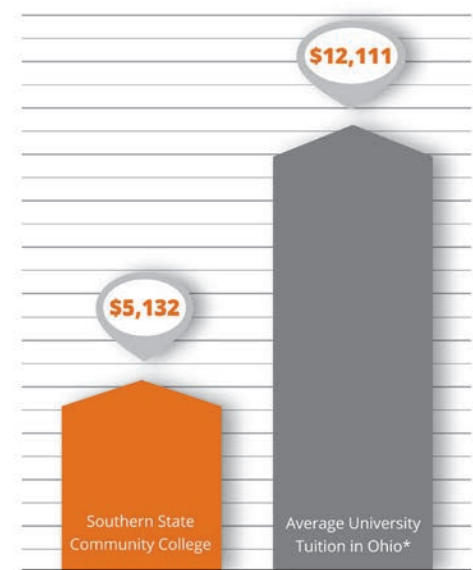
Paraprofessionals work in school districts and serve a **critical role** in supporting the delivery of **high-quality instruction** for all children (preschool through grade 12), especially those students considered at risk.

Today's paraprofessionals (which may also be known as instructional assistants, special education aides, teaching assistants, or teaching/classroom aides) work alongside a professional under the direction of licensed teachers, as part of instructional teams, to **support individual students and small groups** of students to **access and progress** through challenging curricula.



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TUITION COMPARISON



* undergraduate annual tuition for university main campuses
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DUTIES OF A PARAPROFESSIONAL

- Reinforce lessons by reviewing material with students one-on-one or in small groups
- Follow school and class rules to teach students proper behavior
- Help teachers with recordkeeping, such as taking attendance and calculating grades
- Get equipment or materials ready to help teachers prepare for lessons
- Supervise students outside of the classroom, such as between classes, during lunch and recess, and on field trips
- Assist teachers in the classroom
- Provide administrative support for teaching
- Help students understand and complete assignments
- Work with students who have special needs
- Assist in managing the classroom
- Provide instructional assistance in a library

IMPORTANT QUALITIES

- Communication skills. Teacher assistants need to be clear and concise in discussing student progress with teachers and parents.
- Interpersonal skills. Teacher assistants must be able to develop relationships with a variety of people, including teachers, students, parents, and administrators.
- Patience. Working with students of different abilities and backgrounds may be difficult. Teacher assistants must be understanding with students.
- Resourcefulness. Teacher assistants must find ways to explain information to students who have different learning styles.

Please note:

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



PARAPROFESSIONAL EDUCATION (486)

Associate Degree

First Semester Year 1

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| EDUC 1145 | Observation / Assessment of Children |
| EDUC 2234 | Technology in Education |
| PSYC 1110 | Principles of Psychology |
| EDUC 1101 | Introduction to Education |
| ENGL 1101 | English Composition I |

Second Semester Year 1

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| EDUC 1102 | Foundations of Education |
| ENGL 1102 | English Composition II |
| EDUC 1118 | Guiding Children's Behavior & Learning |
| EDUC 2243 | Individuals With Exceptionalities |
| EDUC 1000 | Introduction to Child Development |

Third Semester Year 2

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| FNAR 1104 | Introduction to the Arts |
| EDUC 2220 | Foundation of Literacy |
| PHYS 1104 | Physical Geology |
| COMM 1115 | Fundamentals of Effective Speech |
| EDUC 2260 | Teaching in a Diverse Society |
| MATH 1115 | Math for the Business & Social Sciences |

Fourth Semester Year 2

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| EDUC 2228 | Families, Communities & Schools |
| PSYC 2241 | Educational Psychology |
| EDUC 2225 | Paraprofessional Seminar |
| EDUC 2224 | Paraprofessional Practicum |
| BIOL 1125 | Environmental Science |

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