The BAAS Degree with Childhood Adolescent Studies Concentration

The Childhood and Adolescent Studies Concentration prepares individuals to work with children and adolescents in career environments related to school, youth related social service careers, healthcare, athletics, and other community settings. This concentration does not lead to a teacher certification. The interdisciplinary approach allows the student to learn about the unique perspectives of children and adolescents as they learn about the developmental and cognitive stages of childhood and adolescence.

**Occupational Specialty - 24-39 semester hours**, and any additional hours necessary to meet the 120-hour university requirement. Credits toward an area of coherent specialization may be earned from community colleges, this university and other senior institutions, workforce education, vocational or technical schools, armed forces schools, work experiences, and nontraditional learning experiences that can be equated to college credit. To qualify for work experience credit, a student must have 3 consecutive years of full-time employment within the last 6 years. A student may be awarded 2 hours of credit for each qualifying year of work experience related to the student’s occupational specialty up to a maximum of 6 hours. Credit for nontraditional experiences is granted on the basis of evaluation by the Director and the BAAS staff utilizing the National Guide of the American Council on Education (ACE) and other appropriate publications. Documentation will be placed in the student’s permanent file in the Office of the Registrar when the student has completed at least nine hours in the BAAS program.

**Computer Science - 3 semester hours**

**Academic Foundations and Core Curriculum - 42 semester hours**

**The Childhood and Adolescent Studies Concentration - 36 advanced semester hours**

- BAAS 4113 - Capstone Project 3
- EPSY 3803 - Human Development, Behavior, and Learning Theory 3

30 advanced semester hours chosen from the following:

- BAAS 3113 - Internship Applied Arts and Sciences 3
- ECED 3103 - Introduction to Young Children 3
- ECED 3173 - ESL Methods and Materials 3
- ECED 4123 - Early Childhood Development: Language and Literacy 3
- ECED 4133 - Early Childhood Curriculum 3
- EDUC 3203 - Educational Assessment: Development, Analysis, & Implementation 3
- EDUC 3213 - Management Techniques for Elementary, Middle School, and Secondary 3
- EDUC 4023 - Methods of Elementary, Middle, and Secondary School Teaching 3
- ETEC 4113 - Learning Technology Integration 3
- READ 4283 - Foundations of Reading 3
- READ 4313 - Reading and Writing Strategies 3
- SPED 4113 - Foundations of Special Education 3
- 3 hours of advanced electives

**Note:**

The BAAS Childhood and Adolescent Studies Concentration student may submit a petition to the BAAS program for permission to apply appropriate additional/substitute courses to fulfill the above 36 semester hour curriculum.