

# Bachelor of Science in Early Childhood Education Application Packet -



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### Program Description (5300)

The Bachelor of Science in Early Childhood Education is designed to prepare students to be Early Childhood Educators working with children from **birth to age four**. The program is designed for students with either an Associate of Arts or an Associate of Science in Early Childhood Education.

The Bachelor of Science in Early Childhood Education adheres to the state's common course prerequisites and curriculum framework. All Bachelor of Science degree seeking students must complete the same basic requirements as traditional baccalaureate students, including 36 hours of General Education and demonstration of foreign language competency. Students are encouraged to consult with an academic advisor when applying for admission.

### Overview of Credits Required

A minimum of 120 credits is required to graduate with a B.S. degree. This must include at least:

- 36 credits of General Education coursework
- 3 credits of pre-requisite coursework - EDF1005
- 57 credits of professional core coursework
- 24 credits of elective coursework

### Foreign Language Competency and General Education

Individuals who have not completed their foreign language requirement prior to enrolling at Santa Fe College, must complete two semesters of college-level sequential foreign language study before finishing the B.S. program. Contact the program advisor for more information.

### Applying to the Early Childhood Education Program

1. **Submission of a completed application** (Page 2 of this application packet).
2. **Satisfactory completion of pre-requisite coursework** prior to the program's starting semester.
3. **Submission of Personal Statement:** 500 word essay addressing your professional and personal goals.
4. **Request Degree Change** to B.S. 5300 (A.A. students) or B.S. 5310 (A.S. students) on eSantaFe.
5. **Mandatory advising session** with Education Programs Department Academic Advisor.

### Qualifying for Admission:

- ✓ Complete a Santa Fe College application for admission or readmission online at <https://www.sfcollge.edu/>.
- ✓ Arrange for official transcripts from high school and post-secondary education to be sent to the Office of Records and Admissions at least one month prior to the start of the term. Unofficial transcripts may be used for advising.
- ✓ Have a 2.5 overall GPA.
- ✓ Have earned a minimum of an Associate of Science in Early Childhood Education or an Associate of Arts from a regionally accredited educational institution.
- ✓ Have successfully completed the pre-requisite course EDF1005: Introduction to Education with a C or better. This course includes required field experience.

### Contact Information

**Return completed application to:**  
Education Programs  
Santa Fe College  
3000 NW 83<sup>rd</sup> Street, B-214  
Gainesville, FL 32606

**For application and/or program assistance:**  
Adrian DeBose  
Academic Advisor, Education Programs  
352-395-5322  
[adrian.debose@sfcollge.edu](mailto:adrian.debose@sfcollge.edu)



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Place an 'X' by the term that you are seeking admission:    Fall        Spring        Summer

### Student Contact Information

SF ID #	Last Name	First Name	MI
Street Address or PO Box			Apartment #
City	County	State	Zip
Home Phone	Cell Phone	Email Address	

### Student Background Information – requested for statistical purposes

Gender	Race	Date of Birth	US Citizen? Y / N
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### Education

*Name of high school that you received your diploma:*

High School	City	State	Year of Graduation
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*If you received a high school equivalency diploma, provide the name of the issuer:*

Institution Name	City	State	Date
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*College(s), University(ies), Technical School(s) that you have attended:*

School Name & Location	Date of Attendance	Degree	Major

### Student Agreement

Signature	Date
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