

Early Childhood Studies

Important Information 2027–2028

TRANSFER
ON-CAMPUS
FULL-TIME

What courses do I need to complete in order to graduate?

Students typically receive 10.0 transfer credits when entering the ECS program as an ECE transfer student. The remaining 10.0 credits of the degree are outlined on the second page of this document. Student must complete 8.0 core credits, 1.5 ECS restricted elective and 0.5 general elective credit to be eligible to graduate.

If you have received more than 10.0 credits, you are encouraged to consult with your Academic Advisor regarding your remaining requirements in this program. Please refer to your Transfer Credit Assessment to confirm the credits from which you are exempt.

It is important to keep in mind that some Bachelor of Education and other postgraduate programs may require the completion of at least 10.0 undergraduate degree-level credits (not including college diploma transfer credits) for the purpose of admission. If you have been admitted into this program with more than 10.0 credits, you may be required to complete additional courses to satisfy admissions requirements for some postgraduate programs.



How do I complete one of the specialization options? Is it required?

Students can choose to complete one of three optional specializations. Completing a specialization is not required. The specialization is earned upon completion of all courses in the program. To complete a specialization, three restricted elective courses need to be taken in a particular area: **Children's Futures (CF)**, **Infant & Child Mental Health (MH)**, **Pathway to Child Life (CL)**. If students do not want to complete a specialization, the three courses can be taken across different areas of emphasis. Students pursuing a specialization in one of these areas must complete and submit an Area of Emphasis Declaration Form online. Specialization course options are scheduled by semester in the Program Plan below.

Am I required to complete a field practicum?

No. ECS transfer students are granted transfer credit for all field placement courses in the program.

Can I complete a practicum if I would like to?

Yes. You can request to complete a practicum course during your time at Guelph-Humber. Speak to the ECS Field Placement Coordinator about this possibility.

Where can I go for more information?

Visit your Academic Advisor, Jenni Mastroianni (A-Z) in GH108 during office hours. Call 416.798.1331 to speak with the front desk, or email your questions to advisors@guelphhumber.ca. You can also use our online booking system at <https://www.guelphhumber.ca/advising/advisors>.

For more support, visit the Learning Support Peers (LSPs) in the Learning Commons or email them at lsp@guelphhumber.ca.

Visit our [Frequently Asked Questions](#) webpage for more information on Course Selection and Enrollment, Degree Requirements, Academic Consideration/Accommodations, Academic Standing, and Academic Resources.



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Note: This program plan has been designed to assist you with course selection and program planning. In the case of any discrepancies between this document and the approved Schedule of Studies, the Schedule of Studies (as found in the Academic Calendar at www.guelphhumber.ca) will serve as the official record.

Semester One – Fall

Course Code	Course Name	Prerequisite(s)	Credit
AHSS*1130	Principles of Sociology		0.5
ECS*2080	Social Justice in the Field of Early Childhood Studies	2.0 credits	0.5
ECS*3100	Implementing Interventions for Children	ECS*2070 (via transfer credit)	0.5
PSYC*1110	Introduction to Psychology		0.5
SCMA*2040	Research Methods for Social Science	3.0 credits	0.5

Semester Two – Winter

Course Code	Course Name	Prerequisite(s)	Credit
ECS*2100	Infant & Child Mental Health	ECS*1010, ECS*1050 (via transfer credits)	0.5
ECS*3200	Supporting Children's Voices: Strategies for Professionals	10.0 credits	0.5
ECS*3210	Children's Rights, Law & Policy	10.0 credits	0.5
SCMA*2020	Basic Concepts in Anatomy & Physiology		0.5

Select ONE (0.5 credits) ECS Restricted Elective / Specialization course:

ECS*3150	Ethics & Privacy with Children CHILDREN'S FUTURES	10.0 credits	0.5
ECS*3300	Grief & Loss INFANT & CHILD MENTAL HEALTH	10.0 credits	0.5
ECS*3120	Introduction to Child Life PATHWAY TO CHILD LIFE	10.0 credits	0.5

Semester Three – Fall

Course Code	Course Name	Prerequisite(s)	Credit
ECS*3110	Mental Health & Trauma	7.5 credits	0.5
ECS*4010	Inter-Professional Collaboration	12.0 credits	0.5
ECS*4100	Advocacy & Leadership	12.0 credits	0.5
SCMA*3040	Quantitative Methods for Social Science	SCMA*2040	0.5

Select ONE (0.5 credits) ECS Restricted Elective / Specialization course:

ECS*3160	Technology & Innovation CHILDREN'S FUTURES	10.0 credits	0.5
ECS*3230	Social Epigenetics INFANT & CHILD MENTAL HEALTH	ECS*2100	0.5
ECS*2030	Development in Adolescence PATHWAY TO CHILD LIFE	ECS*1050 (via transfer credit)	0.5

Semester Four – Winter

Course Code	Course Name	Prerequisite(s)	Credit
ECS*3080	Assessment & Intervention with Children & Families	10.0 credits	0.5
ECS*4030	Professional Issues in Early Childhood Studies	14.0 credits	0.5
ECS*4040	Program Development, Administration, & Evaluation	14.0 credits	0.5
	General Elective		0.5

Select ONE (0.5 credits) ECS Restricted Elective / Specialization course:

ECS*3170	Designing for the Future CHILDREN'S FUTURES	10.0 credits	0.5
ECS*3190	Developmental Neuroscience INFANT & CHILD MENTAL HEALTH	ECS*2100	0.5
ECS*3300	Grief & Loss PATHWAY TO CHILD LIFE	10.0 credits	0.5

ECS Restricted Electives/Specialization Courses

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Students who do not declare a specialization will need to complete three restricted elective courses from any category.

Children's Futures (CF)

ECS*3150	Ethics & Privacy with Children
ECS*3160	Technology & Innovation
ECS*3170	Designing for the Future

Infant & Child Mental Health (MH)

ECS*3300	Grief & Loss
ECS*3230	Social Epigenetics
ECS*3190	Developmental Neuroscience

Pathway to Child Life (CL)

ECS*3120	Introduction to Child Life
ECS*2030	Development in Adolescence
ECS*3300	Grief & Loss