

## ***VT 4750 – EARLY CHILDHOOD PROFESSIONALS***

Early Childhood Professionals is a one-year course designed for students who desire to work in careers involving young children PK – 4<sup>TH</sup> grade and their families. The course includes early child development, child health and safety, nutrition, childcare regulations, special needs children, and employment skills. Students will be responsible for planning activities that stimulate a child's mental, physical, emotional and social growth. Students will have the opportunity to use their skills through a rotation at various work sites on and off campus. Students may earn 20 hours towards the A+ tutoring requirement

### **Essential Learning Objectives**

Students will demonstrate an understanding of the following:

- child growth and development
  - safety
  - health
  - nutrition
  - behavior guidance
  - recreational and play activities
  - child abuse and neglect
  - regulations and policies relating to child services
  - the maintenance of the early childhood environment
  - lesson planning development and application in the classroom
  - planning activities that stimulate a child's cognitive, physical, emotional, and social growth
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- Students will learn/use Technical Mathematics Skills
  - Students will learn/use Technical Communication Arts Skills

### **Child Development Model Curriculum:**

[http://dese.mo.gov/sites/default/files/Child\\_Dev\\_Care\\_Guid.pdf](http://dese.mo.gov/sites/default/files/Child_Dev_Care_Guid.pdf)