- Students will know and understand young children’s characteristics and needs, multiple influences on development and learning and be able to create healthy, respectful, supportive and challenging learning environments.

- Students will know about and understand family and community characteristics and involve families and communities in their child’s developmental learning.

- Students will understand the goals, benefits, and uses of assessment, observation, and documentation.

- Students will understand the use of developmentally effective approaches to learning, understand content knowledge in early education and be able to build meaningful curriculum.

- Students will identify and involve themselves with the early childhood field, uphold ethical standards, integrate knowledgeable, reflective, and critical perspectives on early education.