

Hennepin Technical College  
and Metropolitan State University  
Cooperative Agreement: Child Development A.S./Early Childhood Studies B.A.S.

Metropolitan State University and Hennepin Technical College are both committed to serving students in the twin cities metropolitan area. Metropolitan State University has been recognized as a higher education leader in working collaboratively with other higher educational institutions. Similarly, Hennepin Technical College has worked cooperatively with higher educational institutions to provide students enhanced educational opportunities. This memorandum of understanding is designed to build on these partnerships to further facilitate student access to higher education and specifically to articulate the Hennepin Technical College A.S. degree program in child development with Metropolitan State University's early childhood studies major housed in the psychology department.

Joint Admission

Students may be jointly admitted to both institutions. With joint admissions, students are guaranteed a place in Metropolitan State University's early childhood studies major upon transfer from Hennepin Technical College. Joint admissions also provide that students:

1. can concurrently enroll in courses at both institutions;
2. will have access to program advisors at both institutions;
3. will have other rights and privileges of students at both institutions; and
4. will be sent mailings from both institutions.

Transfer/Program Articulation

1. Only courses with grades of C- or better will transfer into Metropolitan State University. Transfer of lower division courses is limited to 84 semester credits (126 quarter credits).
2. Up to forty (40) semester credits (60 quarter credits) of general education courses will be accepted in transfer from Hennepin Technical College and can be used to meet Metropolitan State University's requirements for graduation.
3. Up to thirty-two (32) semester credits (48 quarter credits), required for the Hennepin Technical College's A.S. degree in Child Development, can be used toward meeting the requirements of a Metropolitan State University bachelor of applied science degree with a major in early childhood studies.
4. Students may enroll in general education courses at Metropolitan State University while pursuing their studies at Hennepin Technical College, or they may also choose to transfer general education credits, offered by another regionally accredited post-secondary institution, to meet Metropolitan State University's general education requirements.
5. For graduation, students will need to complete, for the Bachelor of Applied Science in Early Childhood Studies, a total of 124 semester credits, including at least 40 upper-division

credits. A minimum of 30 semester credits must be completed while in residence at Metropolitan State University.

6. Students with an Associate in Arts degree from a MnSCU institution or students who have completed the Minnesota Transfer Curriculum do not have to complete any additional general education requirements, consistent with Appendix A.
7. Hennepin Technical College courses will be accepted toward meeting Metropolitan State University general education requirements consistent with Appendix A.
8. The courses required for the A.S. degree in child development at Hennepin Technical College and their relationship to Metropolitan State University requirements are listed in Appendix B.

### Publicity

Each institution will include a jointly agreed upon description of this program in their respective catalogs and other printed materials.

### Review and Modification of Agreement

This agreement shall be reviewed by the Dean of the College of Professional Studies at Metropolitan State University and the Dean, or designee, at Hennepin Technical College, on an annual basis or as the need may arise. Any modifications to this agreement will require written notification of the intent to change the agreement and the mutual agreement of the two parties.

### Effective Date of Agreement

The agreement shall be effective on the date it is signed, and shall remain in effect unless terminated by either party upon one year's notice to the other party.

Metropolitan State University

Hennepin Technical College

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Department Chair

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Date

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Dean

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Dean of the College of  
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Appendix A  
Hennepin Technical College and the Metropolitan State University Cooperative Agreement  
Regarding the Early Childhood Studies Major

<b>Metropolitan State University</b>	<b>Hennepin Technical College</b>
Communications Writing (2 courses, 6 credits) Oral/Visual (1 course, 3 credits)	Communications COMM 2050 Interpersonal Communications <b>OR</b> COMM 2060 Small Group Communication <b>OR</b> COMM 2130 Public Speaking <b>OR</b> ENGL 2120 Writing and Research <b>OR</b> ENGL 2125 Technical Writing <b>OR</b> ENGL 2120 Creative Writing
Mathematics (1 course college algebra or equivalent, 3 credits)	Mathematics MATH 2100 Concepts in Mathematics <b>OR</b> MATH 2200 College Algebra
Natural Science (1 course with lab, 3 credits)	Natural Science (1 course)
History and the Social and Behavioral Sciences (2 courses, 2 disciplines, 6 credits)	History and the Social and Behavioral Sciences (2 courses, 2 disciplines) SSCI 2100 Sociology <b>OR</b> SSCI 2200 Principles of Microeconomics <b>OR</b> SSCI 2300 Intro. Psychology <b>OR</b> SSCI 2000 Marriage and Family <b>OR</b> SSCI 2310 Psychology throughout Lifespan
Humanities and the Fine Arts (2 courses, 2 disciplines, 6 credits)	Humanities and the Fine Arts (2 courses, 2 disciplines) PHIL 2100 Critical Thinking LANG 2100 Spanish
Human Diversity in the United States (1 course, 3 credits)	Human Diversity (1 course)
Global Awareness (1 course, 3 credits)	Global Awareness (1 course) COMM 2020 Intercultural Communication
Ethical and Civic Responsibility (1 course, 3 credits)	Ethical and Civic Responsibility (1 course, 3 credits) PHIL 2200 Ethics
People and the Environment (1 course, 3 credits)	People and the Environment (1 course, 3 credits)
TOTAL: 40 semester credits	TOTAL: Up to 40 semester credits

Appendix B  
Hennepin Technical College and the Metropolitan State University Cooperative Agreement  
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The following major equivalencies will be observed for transfer students completing the Hennepin Technical College A.S. degree program in CHILD DEVELOPMENT and transferring into the Metropolitan State University's Bachelor of Applied Science degree in EARLY CHILDHOOD STUDIES.

<b>Metropolitan State University</b>	<b>Credits</b>	<b>Hennepin Technical College</b>	<b>Credits</b>
<b>Prerequisites</b>			
Psyc 100 General Psychology	4		
Psyc 212 Intro to Diversity and Ethics in Psychology	3		
<b>Core Courses</b>			
Psyc 355 Theoretical Foundations of Child Development OR Psyc 308 Child Psychology OR 308T Child Psychology Theory Seminar	4	CHLD 1500 Child Growth and Development	3
Psyc 356 Early Childhood Development within a Social, Cultural, & Historical Context	4		
Psyc 357 Observing & Assessing Young Children	2		
Psyc 415 Principles of Teaching & Learning in Early Childhood	4		
Psyc 416 Comparative Study of Early Childhood Program Models	4		
Psyc 418 Early Childhood Studies Internship	4		
Psyc 420 Early Childhood Studies Capstone: Professionalism and Ethical Issues	4		
<b>Electives (33 electives and 10 credits in guided electives)</b>	43	<b>Electives (Any of the following courses up to a total of 29 credits)</b>	29
		CHLD 1100 Child Care as a Profession	2
		CHLD 1125 Guiding Children's Behavior	3
		CHLD 1150 Literature and Language for Children	3
		CHLD 1175 Creative Activities	2
		CHLD 1525 Health Safety Nutrition	2
		CHLD 1550 Cognitive Activities	2
		CHLD 1575 Music and Movement	2

		CHLD 1700 Practicum – Lab Preschool	3
		CHLD 1725 Practicum – Special Needs	3
		CHLD 1750 Practicum Choice	3
		CHLD 2000 Integrating Children with Special Needs	3
		CHLD 2026 Professional Leadership	3
		CHLD 2075 Family and Community Issues	3
		CHLD 2100 Child Abuse and Neglect	2
		CHLD 2050 Supporting Children’s Play	2
		CHLD 2126 Caring for Infants and Toddlers	3
		CHLD 2226 Caring for Preschool Children	3
		CHLD 2251 Caring for School-age Children	3
		CHLD 2300 Theme-based Curriculum	1
		CHLD 2301 Curriculum Planning for the Whole Child	1
		CHLD 2325 Storytelling Props	1
		CHLD 2525 Advanced Cognitive Activities	1

Total Early Childhood Studies      43  
Total General Education                    40  
Total Upper Division Liberal Studies      8  
Total Electives                                 33

Total Child Development                 32  
Total General Education                    40

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Total B.A.S. Early Childhood Studies    124

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Total Hennepin                                72