The Bachelor of Arts in Education Degree (B.A.E.)

Adults with an A.A.S. degree (Early Childhood Associate major) are eligible to apply.

Earn a B.A.E. degree in two years with one of two concentrations (listed inside).

Many courses from other accredited schools transfer into the program.

Located just off I-85, making it an easy and reasonable commute for students from Cabarrus, Iredell, Mecklenburg, Rowan, and Stanly counties.

Earn your degree after work, one course at a time.
Catawba's Evening Program can show you a Faster Route to your Four-Year Degree!

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(Note: Students must have the A.A.S. degree with an Early Childhood Associate major to enter the B-K program.)

Birth – Kindergarten Major with Licensure and Non-Licensure Concentrations

Degree Requirements for the Major in Birth – Kindergarten Education
(following completion of the A.A.S. degree)
A minimum of 120 semester hours: up to 64 transfer hours from an A.A.S. degree in Early Childhood Associate from the community college, and the completion of the General Education requirements and the Major requirements at Catawba College

Core Birth – Kindergarten Curriculum (13 hours)
(required of all B.A.E. students)
EDUC 2280 – Educational Assessment
EDUC 3300 – Curriculum Methods: Pre-School and Kindergarten
EDUC 3301 – Curriculum Methods: Infants & Toddlers
PSYCH 3940 – Psychology of Exceptionalities

Areas of Concentration – Select from:
Licensure (15 hours)
(REQUIRES admission to Teacher Education including Praxis I)
EDUC 4000 – Student Teaching and Seminar: Birth – Kindergarten (15 hours)

Non-Licensure (15 hours)
EDUC 4004 – Internship and Seminar in Early Childhood Education (9 hours)
Approved Electives (6 hours)

General Education Curriculum (36-48 semester hours)

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Core Requirements in Humanities/Fine Arts, Social/Behavioral Science, Natural Science/Math, and Non-Western Perspectives may be met through Foundations & Skills and Perspectives

Benefits & Services:

Affordable Tuition - Financial assistance for qualified students

Unique Block Format - One course at a time; complete one course per one-month block

Consistent Schedule - Classes meet on Monday and Thursday evenings each week (8 sessions) and one Saturday morning session per month

Personal Attention - Campus-based experience which maximizes faculty-student interaction

Career Services - Catawba Job Network; assistance with resume writing; workshops on career building

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Online application available