

Early Childhood Education Practicum Application Packet

Congratulations! You have nearly completed your AAS in Early Childhood Education!

The practicum course (ECE 291 - 4 credits) is essentially the 'capstone' or 'student teaching experience' course in the Early Childhood Program. In this class, you will work closely and under the direct supervision of a qualified early childhood mentor for 180 hours, where you will be able to apply what you've learned throughout the program while asking questions and receiving guidance. You will also be compiling a portfolio of resources and other important early childhood documents that you can use to showcase what you've learned throughout the ECE program.

You need to apply for the practicum course months in advance of the semester in which you hope to take the course so that we have time to place you and gather the required documentation (fingerprint clearance, CPR, TB test results). Here are the practicum application due dates:

Fall: May 1st
Spring: October 1st
Summer: April 1st

Complete the practicum application below and send it to Tara O'Neill (Program Director) via mail: 1100 E. Sheldon St. Box 6015 Prescott, Arizona 86301, scan/email: tara.oneill@yc.edu, or drop them off in Building 3, Room 253 on the Prescott Campus.

After submitting your application, you will be required to attend an orientation session prior to the semester (dates TBD). After the orientation session, you will work with the Family Enrichment Center Director to identify a mentor and to determine what days and times you will complete your practicum hours. You are able to apply to be a student worker at the Family Enrichment Center so that your practicum hours are paid.

Check your YC email for dates and details about this orientation from Tara O'Neill, and for communication from the Family Enrichment Center Director.

Tara O'Neill



Practicum: Advanced Field Experience (ECE 291)

Date of application: _____

Personal Information (Please Print)

(Last Name) _____ (First) _____

(Student Y number) _____

(Home Address) _____ (City) _____

(State & Zip) _____

(Cell Phone #) _____

(Preferred E-mail address) _____

Semester of requested placement: select one: Fall Spring Summer

Completion of:	YES	NO	IP*	Projected Semester of Completion
ECE 200 (3)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
ECE 202 (3)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
ECE 210 (3)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
ECE 216 (3)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
ECE/EDU 222 (3)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
ECE/EDU 230 (3)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
ECE/PSY234 (3)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
ECE 240 (3)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
ECE 250 (3)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
ECE 260 (3)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
ECE 270 (3)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
ECE 280 (3)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
Current Arizona Fingerprint Card	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
Pediatric CPR, First Aid and Safety	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
Negative TB Test	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____

The applicant using a pen with black or blue ink should handwrite comments below. All responses must be recorded in the space provided.

What strengths and experiences do you bring to student practicum? Include information about curricular and extra-curricular activities that may relate to placement, any outstanding activities of achievements, and prior work with groups of children.

Please provide a brief autobiographical statement - share things like hometown, schooling, travel and past activities. You may want to include information about teaching experiences you have had (e.g., recreation programs, camps, lifeguard, scouts, etc.)

What are your long and short term personal and professional goals?



Do you have any questions about the practicum?

Student Signature:

Date: