



ASSOCIATE IN PARAEDUCATION

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS (60 CREDITS)

COMMUNICATIONS (10 CREDITS)

ENGL& 101	English Composition I	5
ENGL 103	Composition — Argumentation and Research	5

COMPUTATIONAL.QUANTITATIVE/SYMBOLIC

REASONING SKILLS (5 CREDITS)

Any course that satisfies the quantitative/symbolic reasoning skills requirement for the AA Degree or any course which satisfies the computational requirements for an Associate in Technology Degree.

HUMANITIES (15 CREDITS)

<i>Select one:</i>		5
CMST& 101	Introduction to Communication	
CMST 210	New Media Presentation	
CMST& 220	Public Speaking	
Humanities courses		10

NATURAL SCIENCES (15 CREDITS)

Must include at least one laboratory course.

<i>Select one:</i>		5
HSCI 119	Human Health and Disease	
HSCI 140	Contemporary Health Science Problems	
HSCI 151	Personal and Community Health	
HSCI 210	Wellness	
NUTR& 101	Nutrition	
<i>and</i>		
Natural science		10

HUMAN RELATIONS (15 CREDITS)

ANTH& 206	Cultural Anthropology	5
PSYC& 100	General Psychology	5
<i>Select one:</i>		5
BUS 240	Human Relations in the Workplace	
SOC& 101	Intro to Sociology	

PARAEDUCATION PROFESSIONAL COURSES (25 CREDITS)

EDUC 130	Technology in Education	3
EDUC& 202	Intro to Education	5
EDUC& 204	Exceptional Child	5
EDUC 230	Curriculum and Instruction: Support Strategies	3
PARED 110	Issues, Roles and Responsibilities of Paraeducator	2
PARED 130	Classroom and Behavior Management	3
PARED 210	Observation/Assessment/Recordkeeping	3

PRACTICUM & ELECTIVES (10 CREDITS)

EDUC 190	Education Practicum	5
PSYC& 200	Lifespan Psychology	5

Total Credits Required 95

Notes:

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ASSOCIATE IN PARAEDUCATION

Pierce College offers the Associate in Paraeducation at Extended Learning sites throughout Pierce County. It provides the necessary training for teaching assistants to gain professional status. Courses include instructional strategies, observation/assessment/record keeping, and education of exceptional students and curriculum development.

The Associate in Paraeducation is designed to enhance the skills and promotability of teaching assistants already working in the classroom.

Paraeducator Classroom Aide Teaching Assistants

Special funding may be available for unemployed workers and low-wage working parents. See your advisor or call (253) 964.6265.

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Program Outcomes

1. Graduates will identify and conduct themselves as professional paraeducators by knowing and using ethical guidelines and other professional standards related to paraeducation.
2. Graduates will identify and explain the importance of appropriate guidance techniques and theories as an important classroom management tool.
3. Graduates will use effective pedagogical approaches by knowing, understanding, and using a wide array of supportive teaching strategies and tools that support certified teachers and positively influence student's development.
4. Graduates will use systematic observations, document other effective assessment strategies in a responsible way to support certified teachers and positively influence student development.

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Related Codes

Intent: **F or J**

Paraeducation: **839**

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