

# EDUCATIONAL PARAPROFESSIONAL (INSTRUCTIONAL ASSISTANT) (AS DEGREE S0375)

## Business Division Degree S0375

This degree program prepares paraprofessionals to work with children in a variety of ways that enhance learning. Graduates will be able to assist classroom teachers in working with K-12 students, including students with special needs. This associate degree certifies that paraprofessionals are "highly qualified" as specified by federal legislation.

This degree requires the completion of General Education coursework plus the following:

## Required Courses

| Course Prefix                         | Course Name   | Units |
|---------------------------------------|---|-------|
| <b>Core Courses</b>                   |   |       |
| CHLD 1                                | Child, Family, School and Community                         | 3     |
| Choose one from the following:        |   | 3     |
| CHLD 10                               | Child Growth and Lifespan Development <sup>1</sup>          |       |
| CHLD 10H                              | Child Growth and Lifespan Development - Honors <sup>1</sup> |       |
| CHLD 11                               | Child and Adolescent Development <sup>1</sup>               |       |
| PSYC 14                               | Developmental Psychology                                    |       |
| PSYC 15                               | Introduction to Child Psychology                            |       |
| CHLD 68                               | Introduction to Children With Special Needs <sup>1</sup>    | 3     |
| EDUC 10                               | Introduction to Education                                   | 3     |
| EDUC 16                               | Aspects and Issues in Teaching                              | 3     |
| <b>Required Electives</b>             |   |       |
| Choose one course from the following: |   | 3     |
| CHLD 51                               | Early Literacy in Child Development                         |       |
| CHLD 64                               | Health, Safety, and Nutrition of Children                   |       |
| ENGL 81                               | Language Acquisition  |       |
| KIN 3                                 | First Aid and CPR   |       |
| LIT 40                                | Children's Literature                                       |       |
| Total Units                           |   | 18    |

<sup>1</sup> Documentation of tuberculosis (TB) clearance is required.

## Program Learning Outcomes

Upon successful completion of this program, a student will be able to:

- Identify a variety of effective teaching strategies.

Review [Student Learning Outcomes \(SLOs\)](#) for this program.

Looking for guidance? A counselor can help. This Guided Pathways for Success (GPS) is a suggested sequence of coursework needed for program completion. It is not an official educational plan. Schedule an appointment (<https://esars2012.mtsac.edu/appointments/counseling/eSARS.asp?WCI=Init&WCE=Settings>) with a counselor or advisor as soon as possible to create an individualized Mountie Academic Plan (MAP) specific to your goals and needs.

| Course   | Title                                       | Units |
|--|---|-------|
| <b>Fall Term 1</b>   |   |       |
| EDUC 10  | Introduction to Education                   | 3     |
| CHLD 1   | Child, Family, School and Community         | 3     |
| ENGL 1A  | Freshman Composition                        | 4     |
| Units  |   | 10    |
| <b>Spring Term 1</b>   |   |       |
| AA/S ARTS  | Area C-1 Arts Course                        | 3     |
| AA/S KINES   | Phys Ed (KIN) Activity Course               | 1     |
| AA/S MATH  | Meet AA/AS Math Comptcy Req                 | 5     |
| Units  |   | 9     |
| <b>Summer Term 1</b>   |   |       |
| AA/S USHIS   | Area D-1 Hist/Pol Sc Course                 | 3     |
| Units  |   | 3     |
| <b>Fall Term 2</b>   |   |       |
| EDUC 16  | Aspects and Issues in Teaching              | 3     |
| CHLD 68  | Introduction to Children With Special Needs | 3     |
| AA/S SCNCE   | Area B-1 or B-2 Science Course              | 3     |
| AA/S HUM   | Area C-2 Humanities Course                  | 3     |
| SPAN or any world language (Area C1) <sup>1</sup>  |   |       |
| Units  |   | 12    |
| <b>Winter Term 2</b>   |   |       |
| AA/S ELECT   | Degree Appl Course (Elective)               | 3     |
| AA/S ELECT   | Degree Appl Course (Elective)               | 3     |
| Units  |   | 6     |
| <b>Spring Term 2</b>   |   |       |
| AA/S ELECT   | Degree Appl Course (Elective)               | 3     |
| AA/S ELECT   | Degree Appl Course (Elective)               | 3     |
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| Take any 12 degree applicable units (electives) <sup>2</sup>                             |   |       |
| Educational Paraprof./Instr. Assist. AS S0375 <sup>5</sup>                               |   |       |
| Submit petition to Admissions Records <sup>3</sup> Submit petition to Admissions Records |   |       |
| Units  |   | 12    |
| Total Units  |   | 52    |