



# Educational Paraeducator

Associate of Applied Science

## Program description

Interested in a rewarding career that makes a difference? Great teachers work with families and communities, educating, guiding, and inspiring all of our children to their full potential! At Highline, you'll find programs that prepare you for a broad range of careers working with children and families, from birth through middle-school. With courses offered in the evenings, on the weekend, and online, the program meets the needs of new practitioners and working professionals alike. [Learn More](#)

## Key advisor

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## Program map

The following program map contains recommended courses to complete your [Education, Paraeducator AAS](#) degree. This document does not replace meeting with an advisor. In order to discuss your educational goals and plans a meeting with an advisor is very important.

**Note:** Not every class is offered every quarter. Talk to a faculty advisor to check when specific courses are being offered.

### 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter: Fall

Courses: 16 credits	Credits	Complete?
EDUC& 115 – Child Development	5	
PE 160 - First aid, CPR and AED	3	
DGS 152 - Critical Thinking for Equity	5	
EDUC& 130 - Guiding Behavior	3	

#### Action items/milestones

- Declare your program of study/major
- Meet with your advisor to discuss this program map

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter: Winter

Courses: 15 credits	Credits	Complete?
EDUC& 202 - Introduction to Education	5	
ENGL& 101 – English Composition 1	5	
MATH 180 – Number Theory for Teachers or MATH 181 – Geometry for K-8 Teachers or MATH& 107 – Math in Society	5	

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter: Spring

Courses: 13 credits	Credits	Complete?
EDUC 191 - Field Experience I- Cooperative Work Experience	5	
EDUC& 101 - ParaEducator Basics* or HIST& 214 – Pacific Northwest History	5	
ECED& 190 – Observation and Assessment	3	
*only offered every other year, take HIST& 214 during the off year		

#### Action items/milestones

- Meet with your advisor prior to completion of 45 credits

### 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter: Fall

Courses: 16 credits	Credits	Complete?
SOC& 101 – Introduction to Sociology	5	
ENVS& 101 – Introduction to Environmental Science	5	
ECED& 180 – Language and Literacy Development	3	
EDUC& 150 – Child Family and Community	3	

### 5<sup>th</sup> Quarter: Winter

Courses: 15 credits	Credits	Complete?
ECED& 160 – Curriculum Development	5	
EDUC& 204 – Exceptional Child	5	
EDUC 230 – Democratic Classroom	5	

#### Action items/milestones

- Apply for graduation

### 6<sup>th</sup> Quarter: Spring

Courses: 18 credits	Credits	Complete?
EDUC 258 – Integrated Curriculum	5	
EDUC 240 – Education Practicum	5	
EDUC& 101 – ParaEducator Basics* or HIST& 214 – Pacific Northwest History	5	
EDUC 281 – Education Capstone	3	

#### Action items/milestones

- Register for commencement