

Paraprofessional Education
265000 Intervention Specialist
 (Requirements effective Fall Semester 2008)

<u>C</u>	<u>E</u>	<u>R</u>		<u>Credit Hours</u>	<u>Prerequisites</u>	
—	—	—	3100:265	Introductory Human Physiology/Lab. (Note b.)	4	
—	—	—	3150:101	Chemistry for Everyone/Lab. (Note a.)	4	
—	—	—	3300:111	English Composition I	4	Placement by adviser
—	—	—	3300:112	English Composition II	3	3300:111
—	—	—	3450:145	College Algebra	4	Placement by adviser
—	—	—	3750:100	Introduction to Psychology	3	
—	—	—	3850:100	Introduction to Sociology	4	
—	—	—	5100:200	Introduction to Education (Note c.)	3	permission; 5100:220 (coreq.)
—	—	—	5100:220	Educational Psychology (Note c.)	3	5100:200 (coreq.)
—	—	—	5500:230	Educational Technology (Note c.)	3	5100:200
—	—	—	5500:245	Understand. Literacy Development & Phonics (Note c.)	3	3300:112; 5100:200/220
—	—	—	5550:211	First Aid and CPR	2	
—	—	—	5610:225	Introduction to Exceptionalities (Note c.)	3	5100:200 (coreq.)
—	—	—	5610:395	Field Experience (Paraprofessional) (Note c.)	2	Permission of Program Coordinator
—	—	—	5610:450	Special Educ. Programming in Early Childhood (Note c.)	3	5610:225 or Permission
—	—	—	5610:459	Collabor./Consult. in Schools & Communities (Note c.)	3	5610:225 or Permission
—	—	—	5610:467	Management Strategies in Special Education (Note c.)	3	5610:225 or Permission
—	—	—	7400:265	Child Development	3	
—	—	—	7600:106	Effective Oral Communication	3	
—	—	—		Technical Studies electives (Note d.)	4	

TOTAL CREDITS - 64

C = Completed E = Exempt R = Required

NOTES:

- It is strongly recommended that you have recent high school algebra. If algebra skills need updating, you should see an adviser for assistance. Note that updating these skills will extend the time required to complete the program. Contact the program coordinator or your academic adviser for more details.
- It is strongly recommended that 3150:101 Chemistry for Everyone be taken prior to 3100:265 Introductory Human Physiology. Contact the program coordinator or your academic adviser for more details.
- 5100:200/220 are foundation courses in education. They can be taken simultaneously with 5500:230 & 5610:225. These must be taken before all remaining professional education courses. 5100:200 & 220; 5610:450 & 395 must be taken during the school calendar year to accommodate integrated field experiences.

PARAPROFESSIONAL EDUCATION

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Paraprofessionals are education assistants who have special training to work in public and private schools. They provide instructional support to individuals and small groups of students, assist teachers with modifications and accommodations for students, assist with the implementation of behavior plans, and monitor students within a variety of educational settings. In addition, they are critical members of an educational team who collect data on students for progress monitoring and collaborate with teachers to ensure educational services are consistent across settings and personnel.

The Associate of Applied Science degree in Paraprofessional Education candidates will study how children develop and learn, how to support students with diverse learning needs within their school settings, the historical foundation of education, and how to effectively collaborate with teachers and other related services personnel. Field observations, service learning projects, and a field experience similar to student teaching offer students meaningful opportunities to integrate and apply classroom lessons.

The associate degree provides immediate employability, making it possible to work in a school setting while pursuing additional educational options. The curriculum enhances employability by integrating classroom learning with meaningful practicum experiences. The program serves as a pathway to the Bachelor's degree program for students interested in obtaining licensure as an Intervention Specialist.

Admission Requirements:

Admission to the Associate of Applied Science degree in Paraprofessional Education is available to students who have been admitted to The University of Akron Wayne College.

Wayne College admission requirements include:

1. High School or GED diploma;
2. All students (provisional and standard) pursuing an associate degree will be directly admitted to Wayne College.

Admission requirements for the Paraprofessional Education associate degree include:

1. Placement tests in English and mathematics to bypass developmental courses, or completion of 3300:111 and 3450:145 with a C or better;
2. Pass BCI background check;
3. Completion of a Speech and Hearing Test;
4. Two written character references.

Upon successful completion of the AAS degree and a GPA of 2.5 or better with a grade of C or better in required education (5000) courses, the student is eligible to apply for admission to the College of Education through the Intercollege Transfer (ITC) process. Students must make an appointment with an adviser through the Student Services Office at Wayne College to initiate an Intercollege Transfer.