

EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION AND FAMILY STUDIES: CHILD DEVELOPMENT CAREER PATHWAYS CERTIFICATE

WE280CDC1	Co-op Education - Beginning - Early Childhood Education 1	3
Credits		9
Total Credits		15

Career Pathway Certificate of Completion

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This program prepares students to work with children birth to age five and their families in early learning settings. Courses focus on childhood ages and stages, guidance, and high-quality teaching practices. We welcome students of diverse backgrounds and ages. Students must display the skills, emotional stability, and stamina needed for this field. Students with challenges in any area should first consult the program adviser.

Program Outcomes

At the completion of this program, students should be able to:

- Design learning environments to support children's development and learning in all domains
- Implement Developmentally Appropriate Practices and all relevant guidelines
- Articulate the importance of effective observation, documentation, and assessment of children's development
- Develop positive relationships with families, colleagues, and community members
- Apply content knowledge and inquiry tools to construct meaningful curriculum
- Demonstrate an exemplary work ethic and uphold the standards of the early childhood profession

The Child Development Career Pathway Certificate program is not financial aid eligible. However, the related degree program, Early Childhood Education and Family Studies, is aid eligible.

Students must earn a grade of "C" or higher in all program (ECE) courses.

First Quarter

Fall		Credits
ECE140	Introduction to Early Childhood Education	3
ECE170	Health, Safety and Nutrition	3
Credits		6

Second Quarter

Winter		
ECE144	Observation Techniques	2
ECE145	Positive Guidance	3
ECE166	Seminar - Beginning	1