

# Early Childhood Education - Diploma

---

The Early Childhood pathway has many ways to earn educational recognition from credentials to an associates of applied science. Below are links to each option.

[Parent Educator Certificate](#)

[Child Development-Infant/Toddler Certificate](#)

[Child Development-Preschool Certificate](#)

[Early Childhood Education Diploma](#)

[Childcare Management Pathway AAS](#)

[Early Childhood Education AAS](#)

[Bridge from Childcare to Educator Licensure Transfer Educator](#)

[Licensure Transfer Major AAS](#)

The Early Childhood Education program is designed to prepare students to secure one of the many careers available in early childhood education. Graduates of the program may work with children from birth to eight years of age in a variety of settings such as child care centers, preschools, child development homes, or public and private schools. Students may elect to complete either the Educator Licensure/Transfer Pathway or the Child Care Management Pathway of the Early Childhood Education AAS. Students who intend to teach in a Pre-K through third-grade setting will need to transfer to a teacher licensure institution. In addition, this program addresses the competencies and functional areas necessary for students to begin the assessment and testing process for the Child Development Associate (CDA) Credential administered by the Council for Early Childhood Professional Recognition. See [http://www.cdacouncil.org/storage/documents/TransitionGuide\\_1-3-13.pdf](http://www.cdacouncil.org/storage/documents/TransitionGuide_1-3-13.pdf) for additional CDA Credential requirements by the Council.

## **Instructor and Staff**

Beth Ash

Education Program Director Adjunct Faculty

(319) 208-5000 ext. 5242

[bash@scciowa.edu](mailto:bash@scciowa.edu)

MA, University of Tulsa

Amy Drew

Instructor

(319) 208-5000 ext. 5135

[adrew@scciowa.edu](mailto:adrew@scciowa.edu)

BA, Iowa Wesleyan

MA, Walden University

*Southeastern Community College values diversity in all its forms. Please visit <https://www.scciowa.edu/non-discrimination-statement.aspx> to view our non-discrimination statement.*

*For more information about our graduation rates, the median debt of students who completed the program, and other important information, please visit SCC's financial aid website at <http://www.scciowa.edu/admissions/costaid/finaid/gainemp.aspx>*

**West Burlington Campus (Keokuk campus offers select courses)**

**Program Requirements**

Fall Semester		Credit
ECE-103	INTRODUCTION TO EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION	3
EDU-212	EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATIONS	3
EDU-920	FIELD EXPERIENCE	2
SDV-108	THE COLLEGE EXPERIENCE	1
<b>Take 1 of 2 courses:</b>		
EDU-120	COMMUNICATION, ETHICS, AND CONFIDENTIALITY	2
PHI-105	INTRODUCTION TO ETHICS	3
<b>Take 1 of 2 courses:</b>		
EDU-121	BEHAVIOR MANAGEMENT	2
MUS-100	MUSIC APPRECIATION	3
<b>Take 1 of 2 courses:</b>		
EDU-122	ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES	2
SOC-110	INTRODUCTION TO SOCIOLOGY	3
Semester Total.....		15-18

Spring Semester		Credit
ECE-158	EARLY CHILDHOOD CURRICULUM I	3
ECE-133	CHILD HEALTH, SAFETY AND NUTRITION	3
ECE-170	CHILD GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT	3
ENG-105	COMPOSITION I	3
<b>Take 1 of 2 courses:</b>		
ECE-221	INFANT/TODDLER CARE AND EDUCATION	3
ART-133	DRAWING	3
<b>Take 1 of 2 courses:</b>		
ECE-287	EXCEPTIONAL LEARNER	3
EDU-247	TEACHING EXCEPTIONAL LEARNERS	3.5
Semester Total.....		18-18.5
Program Total.....		33-36.5