

Early Childhood Education: Child Development - Preschool Certificate

West Burlington Campus, and Online

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 for additional CDA Credential requirements by the Council.

*Certificate can be earned one time.

For specific information regarding program rules and expectations, please view the [Early Childhood Education & Teacher Education Programs Handbook](#).

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Program Requirements

Fall Semester I	Credit
ECE-103 Introduction to Early Childhood Education	3
SDV-108 The College Experience	1
ECE-133 Child Health, Safety and Nutrition	3
Semester Total.....	7

Spring Semester I	Credit
ECE-158 Early Childhood Curriculum I	3
ECE-170 Child Growth and Development	3
ECE-159 Early Childhood Curriculum II	3
Semester Total.....	9

Program Total..... 16