## EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION - CERT A

The Early Childhood Education program is designed to provide training in the processes and principles of growth and development of children from infancy through six years of age. Emphasis is placed on social, emotional, physical, and cognitive development, as well as support services relating to children. Upon completion of the program, students have opportunities for employment as teachers in early learning childcare centers and family childcare home sites and as teacher's aides/paraprofessionals in state institutions.

Students entering the Early Childhood Education program will have one entry point and three possible exit points - Cert A (24 credits), Cert C (48 credits) or an AAS in Early Childhood Education.

## **Program Information**

- Program Start (semesters): August
- Financial Aid available (for post-secondary students only): Yes
- Veteran Benefits Eligible (for post-secondary students only): Yes
- Industry-recognized credentials: N/A

## **Certificate Requirements**

Code	Title	Hours
ECE 100	Introduction to Early Childhood Education	3
ECE 127	Child Health, Safety, & Nutrition	3
ECE 112	Preschool Development	3
ECE 135	Infant & Toddler Development & Care	3
ECE 151	Early Childhood Curriculum Development	3
ECE 131	Children with Special Needs	3
ECE 148	Early Childhood Education Lab I	3
HS 131	Human Development	3
Total Hours		24