

## EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION CERTIFICATE

The Early Childhood Education Certificate prepares students for entry-level positions in childcare and satisfies the 120 clock hours of professional early childhood education required for CDA® credentialing awarded by the Council for Professional Recognition.

To earn a CDA® in Infant and Toddler (Birth-36 months), Preschool (3-5 years), or Family Child Care candidates must also obtain 480 hours of experience working with young children and prepare a CDA® professional portfolio.

See [www.cdacouncil.org](http://www.cdacouncil.org) for additional information about CDA® credential requirements. Students are encouraged to complete HLTH 5131 Pediatric Basic Life Support & First Aid which is required for childcare providers.



All coursework in the Early Childhood Education Certificate program will apply as full credit towards the Early Childhood Education Associate of Applied Science Degree or the Associate of Arts Degree.

### Required Program of Study for Certificate (16 weeks)

Course	Credits
ECED 1110 Infant and Toddler Development .....	3
ECED 1120 Preschool Child Development .....	2
ECED 1150 Introduction to Early Childhood Education ...	3
ECED 1260 Early Childhood Health, Safety, & Nutrition ...	3
Approved Elective* .....	3
ENGL 1050 Workplace Communications <b>OR</b>	
BSAD 2050 Business Communications .....	3
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	17
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>	<b>17</b>

\*Approved Electives: Any Early Childhood Education 3 credit course or EDUC 2250 Children's Literature