

Early Childhood Education



THE ECE PROGRAM

This program prepares individuals to meet requirements for working with children birth through age eight. This program is designed to meet Washington State standards and requirements as well as those recommended by the National Association for the Education of Young Children. This Early Childhood Education program emphasizes a blend of theory, research and learning principals with applied practices. This program has a strong emphasis on field experiences offered throughout the curriculum.

The program focus for students has several unique features:

>Students learn to use knowledge of child development and learning theory to provide experiences that support the growth and development of infants, pre-primary and primary age children.

>Students take core courses in early childhood education

> Students are taught to understand and respect cultural diversity as they learn to develop partnerships with families.

> Students gain experience with children in a variety of settings (Head Start, public school, preschools and child care).

>Students use inquiry tools as well as documentation of their own work to develop meaningful, integrated learning experiences.

>Students will be trained in an online learning environment.

Early Childhood professionals have personal characteristics, knowledge and skills specific to teaching and conducting programs so that all children learn. Professionals who demonstrate these characteristics are energetic, enjoy working with children, parents and diverse populations, are able to adapt to creative or challenging situations, have strong oral and written communication skills, and inform the public about children and family issues. Professionals also promote high standards for themselves, their colleagues and their students. They are continually improving and expanding their skills and knowledge.

The Early Childhood Education certificate and degree programs at Everett Community College include courses offered in an online learning format. Students in this experiential program will be actively involved in community programs, schools and centers as they complete their online course work. Online learning requires strong reading, writing and computing skills.

PROGRAM OPTIONS

Three options are available in Early Childhood Education:

- **Certificate in Early Childhood Education – 60 credits.** Several of the courses are offered on a distance basis. Please note: this is not a “teaching certificate”.
- **Associate in Technical Arts in Early Childhood Education – 90 credits.** This degree builds on the courses completed for the certificate, offering a broader education. This degree is now accepted in several Washington state universities as a transfer degree.
- **Associate in Arts and Sciences – Option II – 90 credits.** Students interested in pursuing a *university transfer* and a bachelor’s degree in Early Childhood Education, Child Development, Elementary Education Certification or other related degrees. This degree meets statewide guidelines for smooth transfer to most of Washington's colleges and universities, and several other states.

CAREER OPTIONS

Through the EvCC Early Childhood Education program, students are prepared for employment as:

- Program Administrator in Child Care Centers
- Teacher in Preschools as
- Teacher’s assistant or Paraprofessional in elementary and special education classes
- ECEAP teacher
- Head Start teacher
- Family Child Care provider

FACULTY ADVISOR in ECE

Faculty members are highly qualified and hold expertise in early childhood education. Faculty work closely with students and are committed to developing the knowledge, skills, and dispositions necessary for successful careers in the early childhood field. We strongly encourage you to attend an information session for Early Childhood Education, offered each quarter. Call 425-388-9387 or 425-388-9301 for the date and time of the next scheduled session. Faculty will schedule advising appointments and work individually to inform incoming new students as well as continuing students.

Louise Vlastic, Gray Wolf 306, 425-388-9301, lvlastic@everettcc.edu
Or call the Division Office at 425-388-9387

GETTING STARTED AT EVCC

Our Enrollment Services Office provides information about application, advising, orientation and registration for new and continuing students. All prospective and current students are invited to contact the Enrollment Services Office or the Counseling, Advising and Career Center (CACC) if they would like to speak one-to-one with an advisor about getting started at EvCC. Contact:

◆ Enrollment Services, Jackson Center, 425-388-9219
admissions@everettcc.edu

◆ Counseling, Advising and Career Center, Third Floor, Parks, 425-388-9263

RELATED PROGRAMS

Students interested in Elementary or Secondary Education Certification may also wish to consult the guide titled “Education” for information about university transfer options. Alternatively, EvCC offers an “Education Paraprofessional” program for persons interested in positions as teacher’s assistant.

COURSE OPTIONS

Courses in the Early Childhood Education Department (ECE) are offered to meet the needs of students who are currently working. Many Early Childhood Education courses are offered online with some classes are offered in a “hybrid” format (part classroom instruction and part online environment).

Some of the courses required as part of “General Education” requirements are also offered online; others are offered on campus only, or in a hybrid format. Please consult with an advisor to plan your courses.



NOTES FOR CERTIFICATE AND DEGREES

- ◆ EvCC does not offer every course each quarter. Please consult the Class Schedule and with an advisor to plan course selection.
- ◆ Waivers for any of the required courses may be considered on the basis of verifiable evidence of previously acquired skills. Such waivers can be granted only by one of the program advisors listed in this curriculum guide. A waiver does not excuse the student from the requirement to earn the minimum required credits. Courses waived must be replaced with recommended elective courses below.
- ◆ To earn a certificate or degree the courses must be completed with a cumulative GPA of 2.0 (C) or higher, and all ECE courses must be completed with a grade of C (2.0) or higher. Students must be able demonstrate the ability to lift or move 50 pounds and have mobility within a classroom environment.
- ◆ Students should meet with an advisor and maintain their certificate or degree checklist while at Everett Community College. The quarter before expected completion, this checklist should be submitted with a diploma application to the Enrollment Services Office. A full description of the College’s requirements for earning a certificate or degree is contained in the College catalog.

CERTIFICATE IN EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

Courses listed with an ampersand in the course number (e.g. ENGL&101) reflect the new Common Course Numbering System. Courses in [brackets] are the “old” course numbers and may be used to satisfy requirements. For more information, go to www.everettcc.edu/ccn

Student Name: _____ Advisor Signature: _____ Date: _____

COMPLETION of First Aid, CPR, and HIV Certifications OR PEHW201 (see advisor)

<u>Course Number</u>	<u>Course Title</u>	<u>Credits</u>	<u>Completed</u>	<u>Grade</u>
GENERAL EDUCATION (15 credits)				
ENGL& 101 (WS)	English Composition I (P)	5	_____	_____
MATH 100	Survey of Mathematics	5	_____	_____
CMST& 103 [SPCH 103] (HR/IC)	Public Speaking for Educators	5	_____	_____
REQUIRED ECE COURSES (45 credits)				
EDUC&115D [ECE 120D]	Child Development *	5	_____	_____
ECE 123	Intentional Teaching *	5	_____	_____
EDUC 124	Home/School/Community *	3	_____	_____
ECE 125	Health/Safety/Nutrition *	3	_____	_____
ECE 130	Introduction to Issues in ECE *	5	_____	_____
ECE 131	Practicum I + *	3	_____	_____
ECE 132	Practicum II + *	4	_____	_____
ECE 140D	Family Culture & Self Concept *	5	_____	_____
EDUC& 203 [145]	Exceptional Child *	3	_____	_____
ECE 160	ECE Environment *	3	_____	_____
EDUC 165	Positive Guidance *	3	_____	_____
ECE 207	Applications of Math/Science in ECE Lab	2	_____	_____
ECE 199	Special Project	1	_____	_____

First Aid, CPR, and HIV Certifications OR PEHW201 (see advisor)

Date Completed: _____

Total credits: Minimum 60 credits, minimum 2.0 GPA

- + Instructor Permission
- * Offered as an eLearning online course. See Quarterly Class Schedule.
- (P/C) Students must satisfy pre-requisite or co-requisite in order to enroll in course.

ASSOCIATE IN TECHNICAL ARTS IN EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

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Student: _____ Advisor Signature: _____ Date: _____

COMPLETION of Diversity Course

(Where Completed/Course Title)

(Year Completed)

(Grade)

<u>Course Number</u>	<u>Course Title</u>	<u>Credits</u>	<u>Quarter Completed</u>	<u>Grade</u>
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GENERAL EDUCATION (15 credits)

ENGL& 101 (WS)	English Composition I * (P)	5	_____	_____
MATH 100 (CS)	Survey of Mathematics	5	_____	_____
CMST&103 [SPCH 103] ()	Public Speaking for Educators	5	_____	_____

REQUIRED ECE COURSES (59 credits)

EDUC&115D [ECE 120D]	Child Development *	5	_____	_____
ECE 123	Intentional Teaching *	5	_____	_____
EDUC 124	Home/School/Community *	3	_____	_____
ECE 125	Health/Safety/Nutrition *	3	_____	_____
ECE 130	Introduction to Issues in ECE *	5	_____	_____
ECE 131	Practicum I + *	3	_____	_____
ECE 132	Practicum II + *	4	_____	_____
ECE 140D	Family Culture & Self Concept *	5	_____	_____
ECE 160	ECE Environment *	3	_____	_____
EDUC 165	Positive Guidance *	3	_____	_____
ECE 135	Family Dynamics *	3	_____	_____
EDUC& 203 [145]	Exceptional Child *	3	_____	_____
ECE 207	Applic. of Math/Science in ECE Lab*	2	_____	_____
ECE 220	Child Development in Action (C/P) *	5	_____	_____
ECE 233	Practicum III *	2	_____	_____
ECE 244	Early Language and Literacy *	5	_____	_____

GENERAL REQUIRED: (10 credits)

PSYC& 100 (SS)	General Psychology	5	_____	_____
BIOL 107	Life Science for Everybody	5	_____	_____

Other courses approved by the ECE Program Advisor

ENGL 183 (Recommended)	Children's Literature	5	_____	_____
SOC 220D (Recommended)	The Family	5	_____	_____
ECE 126	Child Care Center Administration	5	_____	_____

Total credits: 90 minimum 2.0 GPA

+ Instructor Permission

* Offered as an eLearning online course. See Quarterly Class Schedule.

(P/C) Students must satisfy prerequisite or co-requisite in order to enroll in course.

Note 1: Students graduating should have the ability to lift and move 50 pounds.

Note 2: Select a course from the list of approved Natural Sciences courses in the AAS - Option II degree. NUTR& 101 [150] and/or BIOL 107 series is strongly recommended.



ASSOCIATE IN ARTS AND SCIENCES – OPTION II

This checklist is designed for transfer students with an interest in university transfer majoring in EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION. It should be maintained by the student while at Everett Community College. The quarter before expected completion, this checklist should be submitted by the student, with a diploma application, to the Enrollment Services Office. This checklist refers to requirements listed in the curriculum guide titled “Associate in Arts and Sciences – Option II”, which lists all the courses which are approved for the various categories of requirements. Note: Though courses in a foreign language are not required in the Option II degree, some universities may require two or three quarters of foreign language for admission or for graduation.

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PROFICIENCY in Intermediate Algebra

(Where Completed/Course Title)	(Year Completed)	(Grade)
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COMPLETION of Diversity Course

(Where Completed/Course Title)	(Year Completed)	(Grade)
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<u>Course Number</u>	<u>Course Title</u>	<u>Credits</u>	<u>Qtr. Completed</u>	<u>Grade</u>
BASIC COMMUNICATION SKILLS (Minimum 10 credits, selected from the list of approved Communication courses on the AAS-Option II List. At least 6 credits must be in English Composition.)				
ENGL& 101*	English Composition I	5		
BASIC QUANTITATIVE SKILLS (5 credits, selected from the list of approved Quantitative Skills on the AAS – Option II list.)				
HUMANITIES (15 credits from the Option II approved Humanities List. See Note 1.)				
SOCIAL SCIENCE (15 credits from the Option II approved Social Science List. See Note 1.)				
NATURAL SCIENCES (15 credits from the Option II approved Natural Science List, including at least one lab. See Note 1.)				
(Lab:)				

SUGGESTED ELECTIVES – (A maximum of 30 credits may be completed in electives, selected from the A and B lists on the Option II checklist; a maximum of 15 credits from the B list may be used.)

A LIST			B LIST (Maximum of 15 credits; recommend ECE courses)		
<u>Course</u>	<u>Cr.</u>	<u>Qtr Compl</u>	<u>Course</u>	<u>Cr.</u>	<u>Qtr Compl</u>
ECE 130 Intro to Issues in ECE*	5		ECE 140D Fam Culture& Self Conc.*	5	
EDUC& 115 [ECE 120D] Child Development*	5				

*ECE 120D is allowed as a transfer course only for students who transfer to a university after Spring 2007.

Total: Minimum 90 credits required, with a 2.0 minimum GPA.

Note 1: Courses must be from three different disciplines. No more than 10 credits in any one discipline may be used in Humanities, Social Science, and Natural Science.

* Courses marked with an asterisk * are offered as eLearning online.

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