

Early Childhood Education

Associate in Arts & Sciences – Direct Transfer (DTA)

Associate in Technical Arts

Certificates

THE ECE PROGRAM

The Early Childhood Education program works to prepare individuals to meet requirements for working with children from birth through age twelve. 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. There is an emphasis on a blend of theory, research and learning principles with applied practices. This program has a strong emphasis on field experiences offered throughout the curriculum.

The program offers several 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 focus on understanding 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 verbal and written communication skills, and inform the public about children and family issues. Professionals also promote high standards for themselves, their colleagues and the children with whom they work. 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 critical thinking skills.

PROGRAM OPTIONS

Several options are available in Early Childhood Education at Everett Community College:

- **State Initial Early Childhood Education Certificate – 12 credits.** Courses are offered in an online and hybrid environment.
- **State Short Early Childhood Education Certificate of Specialization – 20 credits.** Specialization options: Early Childhood Education (General), Infants and Toddlers, Administration, Family Childcare, or School Age Care. Includes State Initial Early Childhood Education Certificate. Courses are offered in an online and hybrid environment.
- **State Early Childhood Education Certificate – 47 Credits.** Includes Initial State Early Childhood Education Certificate and Short Early Childhood Education Certificate. Early Childhood courses are offered in an online and hybrid environment, English and Math courses may be offered on campus.
- **Associate in Technical Arts in Early Childhood Education – 90 credits.** This degree builds on the courses completed for the State Early Childhood Education Certificate, offering a broader education. This degree is now accepted in several Washington state universities as a transfer degree.
- **Associate in Arts and Sciences – Direct Transfer Agreement (“DTA”) – 90 credits.** This degree is intended for 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 in 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
- 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 view the ECE Advising Video on the ECE Web Page. Faculty will schedule advising appointments and work individually to inform incoming new students as well as continuing students.

Michelle Barnes, Gray Wolf 220, 425-388-9976, mbarnes@everettcc.edu
Or call the Division Office at 425-388-9387

GETTING STARTED AT EVCC

Enrollment Services provides information about application, orientation and registration for new and continuing students. New degree seeking students must complete entry advising prior to registering for first quarter classes. Contact:

◆ Enrollment Services, Parks Student Union, Room 201, 425-388-9219
admissions@everettcc.edu

◆ Advising Center, Rainier Hall 108, 425-388-9339

For more information about our graduation rates, the median debt of students who completed the program, and other important information, please visit our website at www.everettcc.edu/gainfulemployment

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.

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 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 speak with an advisor to plan course selection.
- ◆ Waivers for any of the required courses may be considered on the basis of verifiable evidence of course work or 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 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.
- ◆ Employment in the Early Learning field in Washington State requires the ability to pass the Department of Early Learning Portable Background Check in the MERIT system. Students are required to pass the Portable Background Check before completing the second practicum course. Inability to pass the Portable Background Check will prevent students from completing the ATA degree.

STATE INITIAL EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION CERTIFICATE

Courses listed with an ampersand in the course number (e.g. ENGL&101) reflect the Common Course Numbering System. Course numbers in brackets indicate previous course numbers. For more information, go to www.everettcc.edu/ccn

Student Name: _____ **Advisor Signature:** _____ **Date:** _____

☐ **COMPLETION** of First Aid, CPR, and HIV Certifications OR PEHW 201 (see advisor) _____
(Date Completed)

REQUIRED ECE COURSES (12 credits)

<u>Course Number</u>	<u>Course Title</u>	<u>Credits</u>	<u>Completed</u>	<u>Grade</u>
ECED& 105 [ECE 130]	Introduction to ECE	5	_____	_____
ECED& 107 [ECE 125]	Health, Nutrition and Safety	5	_____	_____
ECED& 120 [ECE 131]	Practicum – Nurturing Relationships	2	_____	_____

Total credits: Minimum 12 credits, minimum 2.0 GPA

STATE SHORT EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION CERTIFICATE OF SPECIALIZATION

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GENERAL

Student Name: _____ Advisor Signature: _____ Date: _____

☐ **COMPLETION** of First Aid, CPR, and HIV Certifications OR PEHW 201 (see advisor) _____
(Date Completed)

REQUIRED ECE COURSES (20 credits)

ECED& 105 [ECE 130]	Introduction to ECE	5	_____	_____
ECED& 107 [ECE 125]	Health, Nutrition and Safety	5	_____	_____
ECED& 120 [ECE 131]	Practicum – Nurturing Relationships	2	_____	_____
EDUC&115D [ECE 120D]	Child Development	5	_____	_____
EDUC& 130 [EDUC 165]	Guiding Behavior	3	_____	_____

Total credits: Minimum 20 credits, minimum 2.0 GPA

INFANTS AND TODDLERS

Student Name: _____ Advisor Signature: _____ Date: _____

☐ **COMPLETION** of First Aid, CPR, and HIV Certifications OR PEHW 201 (see advisor) _____
(Date Completed)

REQUIRED ECE COURSES (20 credits)

ECED& 105 [ECE 130]	Introduction to ECE	5	_____	_____
ECED& 107 [ECE 125]	Health, Nutrition and Safety	5	_____	_____
ECED& 120 [ECE 131]	Practicum – Nurturing Relationships	2	_____	_____
EDUC&115D [ECE 120D]	Child Development	5	_____	_____
ECEC& 132 [ECE109]	Infants and Toddlers	3	_____	_____

Total credits: Minimum 20 credits, minimum 2.0 GPA

ADMINISTRATION

Student Name: _____ Advisor Signature: _____ Date: _____

☐ **COMPLETION** of First Aid, CPR, and HIV Certifications OR PEHW 201 (see advisor) _____
(Date Completed)

REQUIRED ECE COURSES (20 credits)

ECED& 105 [ECE 130]	Introduction to ECE	5	_____	_____
ECED& 107 [ECE 125]	Health, Nutrition and Safety	5	_____	_____
ECED& 120 [ECE 131]	Practicum – Nurturing Relationships	2	_____	_____
EDUC&115D [ECE 120D]	Child Development	5	_____	_____
ECED& 139 [ECE 126]	Administration	3	_____	_____

Total credits: Minimum 20 credits, minimum 2.0 GPA

Family Childcare

Student Name: _____ Advisor Signature: _____ Date: _____

☐ **COMPLETION** of First Aid, CPR, and HIV Certifications OR PEHW 201 (see advisor) _____
(Date Completed)

REQUIRED ECE COURSES (20 credits)

ECED& 105 [ECE 130]	Introduction to ECE	5	_____	_____
ECED& 107 [ECE 125]	Health, Nutrition and Safety	5	_____	_____
ECED& 120 [ECE 131]	Practicum – Nurturing Relationships	2	_____	_____
EDUC&115D [ECE 120D]	Child Development	5	_____	_____
ECED& 134	Family Childcare Management	3	_____	_____

Total credits: Minimum 20 credits, minimum 2.0 GPA

School Age Care

Student Name: _____ Advisor Signature: _____ Date: _____

☐ **COMPLETION** of First Aid, CPR, and HIV Certifications OR PEHW 201 (see advisor) _____
(Date Completed)

REQUIRED ECE COURSES (20 credits)

ECED& 105 [ECE 130]	Introduction to ECE	5	_____	_____
ECED& 107 [ECE 125]	Health, Nutrition and Safety	5	_____	_____
ECED& 120 [ECE 131]	Practicum – Nurturing Relationships	2	_____	_____
EDUC&115D [ECE 120D]	Child Development	5	_____	_____
EDUC&136]	School Age Care	3	_____	_____

Total credits: Minimum 20 credits, minimum 2.0 GPA

STATE EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION CERTIFICATE

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Student Name: _____ **Advisor Signature:** _____ **Date:** _____

☐ **COMPLETION** of First Aid, CPR, and HIV Certifications OR PEHW 201 (see advisor)

(Date Completed)

<u>Course Number</u>	<u>Course Title</u>	<u>Credits</u>	<u>Completed</u>	<u>Grade</u>
GENERAL EDUCATION (10 credits)				
ENGL& 101	English Composition I	5	_____	_____
MATH 100 or above	Quantitative or Computational Math above 100 or designated Q/SR	5	_____	_____
REQUIRED ECE COURSES (37 credits)				
ECED& 105 [ECE 130]	Introduction to ECE	5	_____	_____
ECED& 107 [ECE 125]	Health, Nutrition and Safety	5	_____	_____
ECED& 120 [ECE 131]	Practicum – Nurturing Relationships	2	_____	_____
EDUC&115D [ECE 120D]	Child Development	5	_____	_____
EDUC& 130 [EDUC 165] OR	Guiding Behavior	3	_____	_____
ECEC& 132 [ECE109] OR	Infants and Toddlers	3	_____	_____
ECED&134 OR	Family Childcare Management	3	_____	_____
ECED& 139 [ECE 126] OR	Administration	3	_____	_____
EDUC&136	School Age Care	3	_____	_____
EDUC& 150D [EDUC 124D]	Child, Family and Community	3	_____	_____
ECED& 160 [ECE 123]	Curriculum Development	5	_____	_____
ECED&180 [ECE244]	Language and Literacy Development	3	_____	_____
ECED&190 [ECE 121]	Observation and Assessment	3	_____	_____
ECED& 170 [ECE 160] OR	Environments – Young Child	3	_____	_____
EDUC& 130 [EDUC 165]	Guiding Behavior	3	_____	_____

Total credits: Minimum 47 credits, minimum 2.0 GPA

ASSOCIATE IN TECHNICAL ARTS IN EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

Courses listed with an ampersand in the course number (e.g. ENGL&101) reflect the Common Course Numbering System. Course numbers in brackets indicate previous course numbers. For more information, go to www.everettcc.edu/ccn

Student: _____ Advisor Signature: _____ Date: _____

☐ **COMPLETION** of [College Success Course](#)

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>Quarter Completed</u>	<u>Grade</u>
GENERAL EDUCATION (15 credits)				
ENGL& 101/101D	English Composition I	5	_____	_____
MATH&107	Math in Society	5	_____	_____
CMST 223 or CMST&210	Public Speaking for Educators or Interpersonal Communications	5	_____	_____
REQUIRED ECE COURSES (59 credits)				
ECED& 105 [ECE 130]	Introduction to ECE	5	_____	_____
ECED& 107 [ECE 125]	Health, Nutrition and Safety	5	_____	_____
ECED& 120 [ECE 131]	Practicum – Nurturing Relationships	2	_____	_____
EDUC&115D [ECE 120D]	Child Development	5	_____	_____
EDUC& 130 [EDUC 165]	Guiding Behavior	3	_____	_____
EDUC& 150D [EDUC 124D]	Child, Family and Community	3	_____	_____
ECED& 160 [ECE 123]	Curriculum Development	5	_____	_____
ECED& 170 [ECE 160]	Environments – Young Child	3	_____	_____
ECED&180 [ECE 244]	Language and Literacy Development	3	_____	_____
ECED&190 [ECE 121]	Observation and Assessment	3	_____	_____
ECE 132	Practicum Lab II *	4	_____	_____
ECE 135	Family Dynamics	3	_____	_____
ECE 215	Art and Storytelling for Young Children	5	_____	_____
ECE 207	Applic. of Math/Science in ECE	5	_____	_____
ECE 233	Practicum III *	2	_____	_____
EDUC& 203	Exceptional Child	3	_____	_____
GENERAL REQUIRED: (12 credits)				
PSYC& 100	General Psychology	5	_____	_____
Natural Sci. (See Note 2)	_____	5	_____	_____
COLL 101	College Success	2	_____	_____
Other Recommended Courses (4 credits)				
ENGL 183/183D	Children's Literature	5	_____	_____
SOC 220D	The Family	5	_____	_____
ECED& 139 [ECE 126]	Administration of Early Learning	3	_____	_____
ECED& 132 [ECE 109]	Infants and Toddlers Care	3	_____	_____
ECED&134	Family Childcare Management	3	_____	_____
EDUC&136	School Age Care	3	_____	_____
ECE 239	Leadership & Mentoring in ECE	5	_____	_____
First Aid, CPR, and HIV Certification OR PEHW 201 (See Advisor)		_____	_____	_____
Total credits: 90 minimum 2.0 GPA				

*Instructor Permission required

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 - DTA degree. NUTR& 101 and/or BIOL 107 series is strongly recommended

ASSOCIATE IN ARTS AND SCIENCES – DTA

This checklist is designed for transfer students with an interest in pursuing an EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION degree at a four-year institution. 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 – DTA”, 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 DTA degree, some universities may require two or three quarters of foreign language for admission or for graduation.

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☐ COMPLETION of [College Success Course](#)

Where completed/Course Title

Year Completed

Grade

☐ COMPLETION of Diversity Course

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Year Completed

Grade

Course Number

Course Title

Credits

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Grade

BASIC COMMUNICATION SKILLS (Minimum 10 credits, selected from the list of approved [Communication courses on the DTA List](#). At least 5 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 – DTA list](#).)

HUMANITIES (15 credits from the DTA approved Humanities List. See Note 1.)

SOCIAL SCIENCE (15 credits from the [DTA approved Social Science List](#). See Note 1.)

NATURAL SCIENCES (15 credits from the [DTA 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 DTA checklist](#); a maximum of 15 credits from the B list may be used.)

A LIST

<u>Course</u>	<u>Cr.</u>	<u>Qtr Compl</u>
ECED& 105 Intro to ECE	5	
EDUC& 115D Child Development	5	

B LIST (Maximum of 15 credits; recommend ECE courses)

<u>Course</u>	<u>Cr.</u>	<u>Qtr Compl</u>
ECED&107 Health, Safety, and Nutrition	5	
ECED&120 Practicum-Nurturing Relationships	2	
EDUC& 130 Guiding Behavior	3	
COLL101 College Success	2	

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.

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