

## CAREER PROGRAMS

### Early Childhood Education:

#### Early Childhood Education: Before/After School Care Certificate

*This six credit-hour certificate program provides basic knowledge about developmentally appropriate programming and guidance for school age care.*

ECE	226	Observation and Guidance of the Young Child.....	3
ECE	235	Principles of School Age Care.....	3

#### Early Childhood Education: Family Child Care Certificate

*This nine credit-hour certificate program provides practical knowledge, including the legal requirements, for administering and running a family child care home.*

##### Required:

ECE	140	Family Child Care Management .....	1
ECE	143	Safety for the Young Child .....	1
ECE	144	Nutrition for the Young Child .....	1
ECE	151	Communicating with Parents and Children .....	1
ECE	152	Principles of Child Growth and Development, Birth-5 .....	1
ECE	153	Guiding Children and Managing the Classroom .....	1
ECE	154	Activities and Resources for Young Children I .....	1
ECE	155	Activities and Resources for Young Children II .....	1

##### Elective: Select one course from the following:

ECE	146	Programming for School Age Care .....	1
ECE	149	Topics in Early Childhood Education .....	1
ECE	156	Effective Teaching .....	1

#### Early Childhood Education: Infant/Toddler Certificate

*This nine credit-hour certificate program provides theoretical and practical knowledge about infants and toddlers.*

ECE	102	Child Development I.....	3
ECE	111	First Three Years of Life.....	3
ECE	112	Play and Assessment for the Young Child.....	3

**Early Childhood Education: Special Education  
Paraprofessional Certificate**

*This six credit-hour certificate program will provide a paraprofessional in a special education facility with basic knowledge regarding characteristics of children with special needs, methods, and behavioral management techniques within the special education population.*

ECE	120	Introduction to Special Education for Paraprofessionals .....	3
ECE	121	Behavioral Management in Special Education Setting .....	3

**Early Childhood Education Administrator Certificate**

*This 19 credit-hour certificate program is designed specifically to meet the training/educational requirements of early childhood centers, as requested by the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services, Text of Adopted Rules.*

*Minimal education requirements for a director in a licensed child care center are two years of credit from an accredited college or university with 18 credit hours or equivalent quarter hours in courses related to child care and/or child development from birth to age six.*

ECE	102	Child Development I.....	3
ECE	103	Child Development II.....	3
ECE	115	Principles of Early Childhood Curriculum.....	3
ECE	226	Observation and Guidance of the Young Child.....	3
ECE	252	Child-Family-Community .....	3
ECE	253	Administration of Early Childhood Programs .....	3
ECE	254	Interpersonal Relationships In Early Childhood Education .....	1

**Early Childhood Education Assistant Teacher Certificate**

*This six credit-hour certificate program will provide an assistant teacher in a licensed child care facility with basic knowledge regarding child growth/development and developmentally appropriate programming.*

ECE	102	Child Development I.....	3
ECE	115	Principles of Early Childhood Curriculum.....	3

## Early Childhood Education Teacher Certificate

*This 30 credit-hour certificate program emphasizes a combination of theoretical and practical knowledge. It meets the minimal educational requirements established by the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services, for an early childhood teacher who has obtained one year's experience in a licensed center.*

ECE	101	Introduction to Early Childhood Education .....	3
ECE	102	Child Development I.....	3
ECE	115	Principles of Early Childhood Curriculum.....	3
ECE	209	Language Development and Activities for the Young Child.....	3
ECE	210	Creative Activities for Young Children or	
ECE	221	Math and Science for the Young Child .....	3
ECE	219	Psychology of Exceptional Children or	
ECE	223	Exceptional Child in Early Childhood Programs.....	3
ECE	226	Observation and Guidance of the Young Child.....	3
ECE	252	Child-Family-Community .....	3
ECE	291	Early Childhood Practicum I.....	3
ENG	101	Composition .....	3