West Georgia Technical College

Early Childhood Education

(Single Semester Option)



9
DE Credits
(out of 30 max)

Length: 1 semester

Certificates Earned: **Early Childhood Basics Certificate (EC31)**
Child Development Specialist Certificate (CD61)

Program Description: The Early Childhood Care and Education program is a sequence of courses designed to prepare students for a variety of careers in the field of early childhood education. Learning opportunities develop academic, technical, and professional knowledge and skills required for job acquisition, retention, and advancement. The program emphasizes a combination of early childhood care and education theory and practical application necessary for successful employment.

Program Courses:

Course Name	Course Number	College Credit	High School Credit
Introduction to Early Childhood Care & Education	ECCE 1101^	*3*	*High School Early Childhood Pathway courses completed (See Additional Requirements)*
Child Growth & Development	ECCE 1103^	*3*	
Health, Safety, and Nutrition	ECCE 1105	3	1
Curriculum and Assessment	ECCE 1112* (Prerequisite: ECCE 1103)	3	1
ECCE Practicum	ECCE 1121* or EMPL 1000 (ECCE 1121 Prerequisite: ECCE 1105)	3	1
	Total Number of Credits	**9**	**3**

** Students are required to complete and pass all prerequisite coursework prior to enrollment in any subsequent or advanced courses. **

^Additional Requirements: Students who finish the Early Childhood Education pathway at their high school with a B or higher in each class AND earn a 70 or higher on the NOCTI exam, can come into WGTC with earned credit for ECCE 1101 and 1103 (Students who do not meet the requirements for the single semester program should consider the full-year program.)

Career Opportunities: Program graduates may find employment as preschool teachers in public and private childcare facilities, private household childcare workers, self-employed childcare providers, or nursery school attendants.

Estimated Program Fees: $ 40 per semester + the cost of any required fees, supplies, and uniform (approximately $35)

If you have any questions about the West Georgia Technical College Programs, please contact
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