

## EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION (ECE)

### About the program

Programs in this field prepare students for work with young children in a variety of settings including family child care and center-based child care settings licensed by the State of California. The scope of programs ranges from care for infants and toddlers to preschool and school-age children.

#### On-Site Lab School

Students in the ECE program work closely with the Child Development Center Lab School which is a NAEYC Accredited center with support and mentorship from highly qualified mater teachers. At the Lab School students will learn up to date curriculum planning, setting up a developmentally appropriate classroom environment, promoting positive classroom climate through building relationships and appropriate guidance techniques, along with ECE play based philosophies and the newest technology based assessment systems.

### Degrees/Certificates within this Program:

- Associate in Science Degree for Transfer, Early Childhood Education
- Associate of Science Degree, Early Childhood Education
- Certificate of Achievement, Early Childhood Education
- All levels of the California Child Development Permit from Assistant to the Site Supervisor

### Career Opportunities

*Employment opportunities in this field include:*

- Licensed Family Child Care Provider
- Preschool Teacher
- Infant-Toddler Teacher
- School-Aged Child Care Teacher
- Mentor/Master Teacher
- Child Care Program Director
- Resource and Referral Specialist
- Respite Worker
- Home Visitor
- Family Services Worker
- Early Interventionist I (Special Needs Aide)
- Para-educators (public school classroom aides)

### Transfer Opportunities

*Learn more about transferring with an Associate Degree for Transfer at [www.adgreewithaguarantee.com](http://www.adgreewithaguarantee.com) and [www.redwoods.edu/transfer](http://www.redwoods.edu/transfer)*

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### Certificate of Achievement, Early Childhood Education

Program Requirements	Units
ECE 1 Principles & Practices of Teaching Young Children	3.0
ECE 2 Child Growth and Development	3.0
ECE 5 The Child in the Family and in the Community	3.0
ECE 7 Intro to Early Childhood Curriculum	3.0
<b>Total Units</b>	<b>12.0</b>

**NOTE:** Effective Fall 2016, students enrolled in ECE Lab Courses (ECE 7 & ECE 10) will require proof of immunizations or immunity for: Measles, Pertussis, and Influenza.

### About this Degree

This program is designed to prepare the student for employment in a variety of settings with young children.

### Suggested Program Sequence

Semester 1 ECE 1, ECE 2, ECE 5, ECE 7

### Program Learning Outcomes

- Demonstrate knowledge of a variety of types of program for young children and the history of early care and education in the United States.
- Articulate an understanding of typical and atypical of development of young children from birth through age eight.
- Develop strategies that promote partnerships between programs, teachers, families, and their communities.
- Identify the components of environments and curriculums which support positive development and learning through play for all children.