

EARLY CHILDHOOD CERTIFICATE - 18 CREDITS

About this program

This certificate program includes coursework in child development (birth through age 8), behavior guidance, development of environments and curriculum for young children, and relationships with families, as well as on-site experiences in a variety of programs.

Program outcomes

1. Create developmentally appropriate learning experiences for children.
2. Apply appropriate guidance strategies for children based on knowledge of developmental stages.
3. Understand nutrition requirements for a child care program.
4. Communicate effectively with parents and co-workers.
5. Demonstrate knowledge in the care of and planning for children with special needs.
6. Demonstrate professional behaviors consistent with the child care professional code of ethics.
7. Demonstrate an understanding of typical and atypical development in children ages birth through 8.
8. Demonstrate knowledge of physical and emotional health and safety issues.

Curriculum overview

Crds	Requirement type
	Total

Developmental courses note: A student may be required to enroll in developmental courses in reading, writing and math. A student's scores on the Accuplacer assessment will determine enrollment in developmental courses. The purpose of developmental courses is to prepare students for the demands of a college-level curriculum. *Credits may vary.*

Accreditation: Minnesota State Community and Technical College is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission, a regional accreditation agency recognized by the U.S. Department of Education. The Higher Learning Commission 230 South LaSalle Street, Suite 7-500 Chicago, IL 60604-1411 <http://www.ncahigherlearningcommission.org> Phone: 312.263.0456 / 800.621.7440

Curriculum requirement details

Required courses

Other requirements or restricted electives



Course summaries



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Program Plan — ""

Locations:

