

Early Childhood Education

Employment opportunities in New Hampshire, in early childhood education and childcare, remain excellent; and will continue to grow. Sixty-seven percent of children under the age of six in New Hampshire receive some form of childcare provided by persons other than their parents. Many of these young children spend eight to eleven hours each day in childcare. Because of a shortage of trained directors, teachers, and workers, many childcare programs strive, but are unable to fully meet the developmental needs of children in their care.

The Early Childhood Education Associate in Science Degree program provides theoretical and practical experiences for preparation to work as an Early Childhood Education Director, responsible for the care and education of young children, management of personnel, finances, and facilities of early childhood education programs. The certificate prepares graduates to become childcare teachers.

The Early Childhood Education program seeks students who have a strong desire to nurture and care. To ensure that the Early Childhood Education Associate in Science applicant chooses the appropriate career, candidates are encouraged to meet with the program coordinator or a college counselor.

Successful completion of this program satisfies New Hampshire Childcare Bureau of Licensing requirements for certification as a childcare director or teacher. This program also provides an ideal preparation for those students wishing to continue their education on the baccalaureate level.



The Job Market

There are countless child care centers across New Hampshire and the country always seeking highly qualified people to work with children. Early childcare is one of the most rewarding careers nation wide, with the opportunity to guide children as they grow and develop

Get a Start on Your Future

- LRCC's ECE students get excellent real world experience at the Lakes Region Child Care Center
- Friendly, knowledgeable teachers create a comfortable environment that prepares you for the professional world
- Close to home, lower tuition—LRCC is a smart choice



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2010-2011 Early Childhood Education Associate in Science Degree

First Year

Fall Semester

	CL	LAB	CR
LENG1200 College Composition	3	0	3
LECE1210 Growth & Development of the Young Child	3	0	3
LECE1230 Foundations of Early Childhood Education	3	0	3
LCIS1320 Software Applications	3	2	4
MATHEMATICS	3/4	0	3/4
Totals	15/16	2	16/17

Spring Semester

	CL	LAB	CR
LECE1220 Curriculum Development in Early Childhood	3	0	3
LECE1240 Health, Nutrition & Safety in Child Care	3	0	3
LPSY1250 Introduction to Psychology	3	0	3
LHUS1260 Learning and Behavior	3	0	3
Human Biology with Lab	3	2	4
Totals	15	2	16

Total Credits for Year = 32/33

SECOND YEAR

Fall Semester

	CL	LAB	CR
LECE1260 Infant/Toddler Development	3	0	3
LECE1610 Early Childhood Practicum I	2	9	5
LECE2160 Young Children's Special Needs	3	0	3
LIBERAL ARTS ELECTIVE	3	0	3
LSOC2350 Children, Youth and Families	3	0	3
Totals	14	9	17

Spring Semester

	CL	LAB	CR
EARLY CHILDHOOD ELECTIVE	3	0	3
EARLY CHILDHOOD ELECTIVE	3	0	3
LECE2610 Early Childhood Practicum II	2	9	5
LITERATURE ELECTIVE	3	0	3
LPHI2270 Ethical Issues	3	0	3
Totals	14	9	17

Total Credits for Year = 33

Total for A.A.S. Degree = 64

Want to Learn More?

If you would like to learn more about Lakes Region Community College and our Early Childhood Education program you can.

- Request information by going online to www.lrcc.edu and clicking on "prospective students"
- Call the school to set up an appointment with Admissions or our ECE Department faculty to see what we have to offer
- Stop by. Come by the school to see our facilities and talk to our students and teachers. Get your information first hand.



Successful ECE graduates will be able to:

- communicate skillfully, both orally and in writing
- demonstrate empathy with children and their families
- perform accurate development assessments
devise imaginative developmentally appropriate learning experiences