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EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION (ECE)

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SPECIAL PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

- **Cleared Portable Background Check**
- **TB Test**
- **First Aid Card**
- **CPR Card**
- **Food Handler's Card**

CAREER EXPLORATION & EMPLOYMENT

What can I do in this career field?

O-NET OnLine



Is this career field right for me?



Will this career field meet the needs of my family?



Receive support from:

Job and Career Connections Office

to access and use:



BEGINNING STATE CERTIFICATES

State Initial ECE Certificate
12 Credits

State Short ECE Certificate of Specialization

Initial Certificate PLUS one of the following:

- ECE - General: 20 Credits
- Infant - Toddler Care: 20 Credits
- School-Age Care: 20 Credits
- Family Child Care: 20 Credits
- Administration: 20 Credits

JOB OUTLOOK AND WAGES

Head Start/ECEAP Assistant Teacher
Family Child Care Provider
Child Care Aide

ADVANCED STATE CERTIFICATE

State ECE Certificate
48-50 Credits

JOB OUTLOOK AND WAGES

Child Care Program Director/Supervisor
Child Care Provider
Private Preschool Teacher

2 YR DEGREE

Associate in Early Childhood Education
94 credits

Sample Two Year Degree Plans:
Days Nights/Weekends

JOB OUTLOOK AND WAGES

Head Start/ECEAP Assistant or Lead Teacher
Special Ed. Assistant/Paraeducator
Child Care Teacher
Director/Owner Child Care

2 YR TRANSFER DEGREE

Associate of Applied Science-Transfer Early Childhood Education (AAS-T)
96 credits

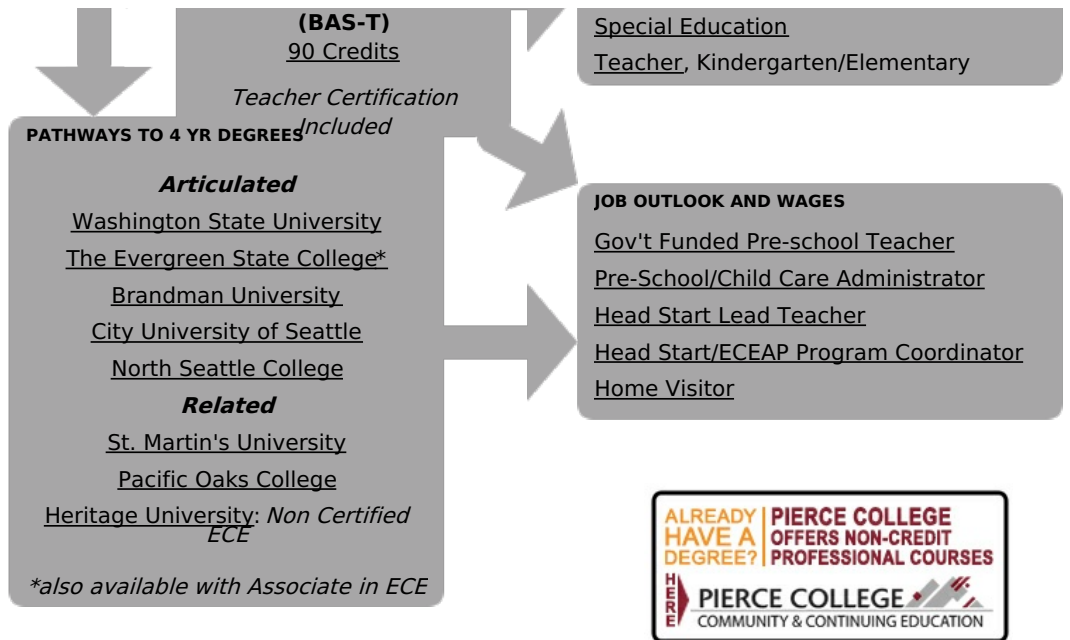
Sample Two Year Degree Plans:
Days Nights/Weekends

PATHWAYS TO 4 YR DEGREES

Pierce College Bachelor of Applied Science in Teaching

JOB OUTLOOK AND WAGES

Elementary School Teacher, Gr. 1-3
Kindergarten Teacher
Special Education Teacher, Pre-K



PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS:

Free resources and membership available



Hint:
Professional Membership looks good on a resume!

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