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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**

JOB OUTLOOK AND WAGES
[Head Start/ECEAP Assistant Teacher](#)
[Family Child Care Provider](#)
[Child Care Aide](#)

JOB OUTLOOK AND WAGES
[Child Care Program Director/Supervisor](#)
[Child Care Provider](#)
[Private Preschool Teacher](#)

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[Head Start/ECEAP Assistant or Lead Teacher](#)
[Special Ed.](#)
[Assistant/Paraeducator](#)
[Child Care Teacher](#)
[Director/Owner Child Care](#)

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**

ADVANCED STATE CERTIFICATE

State ECE Certificate
48-50 Credits

2 YR DEGREE

Associate in Early Childhood Education
96 credits

Sample Two Year Degree Plans:
Days Nights/Weekends

2 YR TRAFER DEGREE

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

Sample Two Year Degree Plans:
Days Nights/Weekends

CAREER EXPLORATION & EMPLOYMENT

What can I do in this career field?



Is this a growing career field in WA?



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:



Career Cruising



PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS:

Free resources and membership available



Hint: Professional Membership looks good on a resume!

RELATED PROGRAMS **Math Education (DTA) Transfer**

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