

EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

Early Childhood Education: Teacher Certificate

This 30 credit-hour curriculum will qualify students for the Illinois ECE Credential Level 3. Students will need to complete an IL Gateways application. This certificate program meets the minimal educational requirements established by the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services for an early childhood teacher who has also obtained one year of experience in a licensed center.

Required Early Childhood Education Courses:

Number	Course Title	Credits
ECE 101	Introduction to Early Childhood Education	3
ECE 102	Child Development	3
ECE 115	Principles of Early Childhood Curriculum	3
ECE 226	Assessment and Guidance	3
ECE 250	Health, Nutrition and Safety	3
ECE 252	Child-Family-Community	3
EDU 219	Students With Disabilities in School	3

Required General Education Courses:

Number	Course Title	Credits
ENG 101	Composition	3
	Mathematics ¹	3
PSY 101	Introduction to Psychology	3

¹ Students must take at least three credit hours of mathematics MTH 101, 103 or higher.