

EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

Associate in Science

Your experience in the Early Childhood Education degree program will provide you with the knowledge and skills to support positive learning experiences for young children. Through classes and three practicum placements, students engage in real early childhood environments to prepare for a variety of positions in the field. With experienced faculty and highly qualified teachers in community placements, Great Bay provides real life opportunities to our students to put their college classroom learning into action.

Great Bay has partnerships for practicum placement located through Rockingham and Strafford Counties. The Early Childhood Education program meets the standards for teacher preparation according to the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC).



Career Possibilities

Job Title	Average Salary
Education Administrator - Preschool/Childcare Center	\$61,320
Preschool Teacher	\$37,130
Kindergarten Teacher	\$63,310
Special Education Teacher— Preschool	\$76,120

The careers listed above may require additional education beyond an Associates Degree. For more information about the outlook and trends, please visit the Bureau of Labor Statistics: www.bls.gov.

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61-64 Credits to Complete

EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION CURRICULUM:

ECE 100G - Early Childhood Growth & Development
ECE 104G - Foundations of Early Childhood Education
ECE 112G - Curriculum Planning & Environment in ECE
ECE 116G - Child Health, Safety & Nutrition
ECE 200G - Teaching STEAM in Early Childhood Education
ECE 202G - Senior Practicum: Student Teaching
ECE 203G - Language and Literacy in ECE
ECE 206G/EDUP101 - Supporting the Special Needs Child / Introduction to Exceptionalities
ECE 210G - Child, Family & Community Relationships
ECE 212G - Senior Practicum: Professional Development
ECE 214G - Theories and Strategies for Teaching Positive Child Guidance
ECE Electives* (3 credits)

GENERAL EDUCATION COURSES:

ENGL 110G/111G - College Composition I / with Lab
English Elective (3 credits)
Foreign Language/Humanities/Fine Arts Elective (3 credits)
Science Elective (4 credits)
Open Electives** (3 credits)
MATH 145G/147G - Quantitative Reasoning / Plus
Social Science Elective (3-4 credits)

*Choose from: ECE 109G, ECE204G, or ECE250G

**Open Elective may be any college credit course, including ECE courses

Courses are subject to change. Please refer to Catalog for suggested pathway.

The Early Childhood Education degree program is approved for funding through the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Program. This can include up to **\$6,500** of tuition assistance and **\$1,500** of support services that can help eliminate various barriers to employment.

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