



DABNEY S. LANCASTER
COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Early Childhood Development

Career Studies Certificate

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Purpose

The Career Studies Certificate in Early Childhood Development prepares students for entry level employment working with young children in safe and healthy environments that are supportive of children's individual physical, cognitive, and social-emotional development. Graduates develop the knowledge, skills, and dispositions to implement practices informed by Virginia's Competencies for Early Childhood Professionals and the National Association for the Education of Young Children Professional Preparation Standards.

Admission Requirements

Individuals accepted for Admission to the College are eligible to enter the Early Childhood Development Career Studies Certificate program.

Program Description

This 16-credit curriculum provides a foundation in early childhood development and is designed for students who plan to work with children from birth through age eight years using developmentally appropriate practices.

Employment Outlook

The occupational titles represent examples of possible employment opportunities: Child Care Center Teacher Assistant, Recreation Leader or Aide, or Substitute Teacher.

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Course Number	Course Name	Cr.	Pre/Co Requisites	Semester	Grade
SDV 100	College Success Skills	1		F	
CHD 120	Introduction to Early Childhood Education	3		F	
CHD 165	Observation & Participation in Early Childhood /Primary Settings	3		F	
CHD 145	Teaching Art, Music, and Movement to Children	3		Spring	
EDU 235	Health, Safety, and Nutrition Education	3		Spring	
CHD 205	Guiding the Behavior of Children	3		Summer	

Credit hours required for Career Studies Certificate: 16

TRANSFER OPTIONS

Agreements exist between Dabney S. Lancaster Community College and various four-year colleges and universities. Contact Student Services for information about further study after graduation from DSLCC.

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