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Early Childhood Studies, Cert.

Overview

The certificate in Early Childhood Studies is structured to provide a solid understanding of child development and how children learn in the context of diverse families and communities through course assignments and observations in the field. Coursework provides a balance of skills in writing, communication and mathematics. In completing this certificate, students fulfill the state requirement for Child Abuse Identification and Reporting, Safe Schools Against Violence in Education (SAVE).

Careers

Careers related to your program of study:

• After School Teacher

• Child and Family Social Worker

• Childcare Director

• Education Coordinator at a Child Care Center

• Family Day Care Provider

• Personal Aide for a Young Child

• Preschool Teacher, Child Care Teacher,

Infant Teacher

• Social and Human Services Assistant

• Teachers Assistant

*Some careers may require more*

*specialized education*.

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*Visit full catalog for specific course*

*offerings for each semester:*

<https://sunyniagara.edu/courses/early-childhood-studies-certificate/>

Program Requirements

First Semester Credits

ECE 207 - Early Childhood Education: Infants & Toddlers 3

ECE 208 – Early Childhood Education: Ages 3-6 Years 3

ECE 200 – Early Childhood Education Internship 4

ECE 205 – Observing & Recording Children’s Behavior 1

ECE 215 – Leadership Skills for Teachers 1

ECE 220 – Career Portfolio Development 1

PSY 110 – Intro to Psychology 3

Total Credit Hours: 16 Cr.

Second Semester

EDU 120 – Disabilities Birth to Adolescence **OR**

HUS 120 - Disabilities Birth to Adolescence 3

ECE 210 - Anti-Bias in Early Childhood Education 3

ECE \_\_\_ - Early Childhood Studies Electives **OR**

HUS 101 – Introduction to Human Services **OR**

ENG 101 – Writing I **OR**

MAT 108 – Math for Childhood Education I **OR**

PSY 220 – Child Development **OR**

SOC 101 – Introduction to Sociology **OR**

SOC 260 – Sociology of the Family9

Total Credit Hours: 15 Cr.