



## Early Childhood Education Certificate

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SEMESTER 1 – FALL	CREDITS	MILESTONE	COMPLETED
PSY 122 – Child Growth and Development	3		<input type="checkbox"/>
EDU Elective	3		<input type="checkbox"/>
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TOTAL CREDITS		9	

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SEMESTER 2 – SPRING	CREDITS	MILESTONE	COMPLETED
EDU 101 – Curriculum Early Childhood Programs	3		<input type="checkbox"/>
EDU Elective – Recommended EDU 252 – Administration of Early Childhood Program	3		<input type="checkbox"/>
EDU 153 – Planning Programs and Environments for Children	3		<input type="checkbox"/>
TOTAL CREDITS		9	

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SEMESTER 3 – FALL	CREDITS	MILESTONE	COMPLETED
EDU 251 – Supervised Field Placement	6		<input type="checkbox"/>
TOTAL CREDITS		6	

**You've FINISHED!****Milestone Courses**

should be taken in the order shown. This will help you stay on track and graduate on time.

### General Advising Notes

- Most EDU courses require PSY 122 as a pre-requisite with the exception of EDU 100, 103, 104, 105, 150, and 251.
- The prerequisites for EDU 251 are EDU 101 as well as EDU 150 or EDU 153.
- EDU 252 – Administration of Early Childhood Program is recommended as an EDU elective for students seeking Level III Director I Certification.
- Students working in the field of Education may be eligible to receive credit for EDU 251 – Supervised Field Placement through prior learning assessment. Please contact the Education Department Chair for information.
- In order for a student to be eligible to participate in an academic, community or clinical program that involves potential unsupervised contact with children, the disabled, the elderly, or other vulnerable populations, the student will be required to undergo a Criminal Offender Record Information (CORI) check and/or a Sex Offender Registry Information (SORI) check and/or fingerprint check.

### Certificate Programs

Certificate programs can serve as the basis for further higher education or professional studies. Certificate programs require students to complete specified coursework, mainly related to particular fields of employment.

While many students enroll in a certificate program in preparation for direct entry into employment, they often return to college, part time or full time, and apply the credits previously earned to an associate degree program.

### Career and Transfer Outlook

- Graduates meet the academic requirements for Lead Teacher as currently specified by the Massachusetts Office of Children's Services.
- Many graduates continue their studies towards an associate degree in Early Childhood Education.

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