

Certificate: **EARLY CARE AND EDUCATION (ECE7)**

Credit Requirements: 27 semester credit hours

This program prepares students for careers and/or advancement in the early childhood profession. Graduates will be qualified for employment in public and/or private childcare centers, and home-based childcare operations.

FIRST SEMESTER (FALL)

ECD 101	Introduction to Early Childhood	3
ECD 102	Growth and Development I*	3
ECD 132	Creative Experiences	3
	TOTAL	9

SECOND SEMESTER (SPRING)

ECD 203	Growth and Development II*	3
ECD 105	Guidance and Classroom Management	3
ECD 131	Language Arts	3
	TOTAL	9

THIRD SEMESTER (SUMMER)

ECD 107	Exceptional Child	3
ECD 133	Science and Math Concepts*	3
ECD 135	Health, Safety and Nutrition	3
	TOTAL	9
	<b>TOTAL CREDIT HOURS</b>	<b>27</b>

\*Students are required to participate in lab/class assignments involving visitations to and/or work in licensed childcare facilities.

**\*\*SPECIFIC/SPECIAL PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS**

Applicants for the Early Care and Education Certificate Program must obtain:

- Negative TB Test
- Criminal background check
- Medical Health Form
- Health Statement
- Notarized Statement of Non-Conviction
- Obtain certification in Pediatric CPR and First Aid "D" prior to graduation.

These requirements are in accordance with DSS regulations for childcare training in S.C. and subject to change as regulations are modified.