



# Education: State Short Early Childhood Education Certificate of Specialization- General

Certificate of Completion (CC)

Planning Guide 2017-2018

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## Program Information:

**Length of Program:** 20 Credits  
**Completion Award:** Certificate of Completion  
**Enrollment:** Every Quarter  
**Approximate Quarterly Costs:** \$0  
*(in addition to tuition, books and parking)*

**Website:** [www.shoreline.edu/education/](http://www.shoreline.edu/education/)

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## Program Description:

This program is designed to prepare students for various positions in child care, preschool and after-school programs that are licensed in the State of Washington.

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## State Short ECE Certificate - General —What is it?

This certificate provides evidence that a student has developed an understanding of the physical, intellectual, emotional and social development of children and can apply developmentally appropriate guidance and curriculum methods to meet the individual and group needs of children and their families. This certificate is designed to meet licensing requirements for a variety of positions working with young children. It is designed to meet the Washington State Career Lattice guidelines for programs that are part of the Early Achievers Initiative in Washington. All of the classes in this certificate are also required for completion of more advanced certificates and the AAAS degree in Early Childhood Education.

## Program Outcomes:

Students who successfully complete this program - **by achieving a GPA of 2.0 or better for the entire program** - should be able to:

1. Identify, explain and apply appropriate guidance techniques and theories as an important classroom management tool.
2. Utilize knowledge of child development to guide decisions regarding interaction with and response to children as individuals and in group settings.
3. Respond to children and families with insight regarding cultural diversity and individual variations in development.
4. Work positively with young children and staff in a group setting.
5. Provide a safe and healthy learning environment for young children.
6. Use ethical guidelines and professional standards related to early childhood practice.
7. Identify and employ developmentally appropriate practices when working with children between the ages of birth and eight years.

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## Career Opportunities—What can I do with a State Short ECE Certificate?

Teacher and teacher assistant positions in licensed child care centers and after-school programs are in high demand. With this certificate, the student will have credentials for teaching assistant positions, at a minimum, in licensed child care facilities in the State of Washington.

**Potential employers include:** Licensed Child Care Centers, private preschool programs, child care family homes, after-school recreation programs. For more, please visit career information and resources at <http://www.shoreline.edu/counseling-center/career-counseling.aspx>.

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<b>PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS:</b> <i>Courses can be taken in any order, they need not be taken in sequence according to the course numbering.</i>			
<b>Course</b>	<b>QTR</b>	<b>GR</b>	<b>CR</b>
ECED& 105 Intro to Early Childhood Education			5
ECED& 107 Health, Safety and Nutrition			5
ECED& 120 Practicum- Nurturing Relationships			2
EDUC& 115 Child Development			5
EDUC& 130 Guiding Behavior			3

Note: Every effort has been made to ensure the accuracy of the information in this publication. However, the information is subject to change without notice and final career decisions are the responsibility of the student.

**RECOMMENDATIONS:**

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**CERTIFICATE COMPLETION**

*Students should automatically receive their Certificate after successful completion of all required courses. If you have not received your Certificate, please contact the Workforce Education Programs in FOSS 5100 or call 206-546-5876.*