



## Early Childhood Development Career Studies Certificate

A career pathway for professional development

This Career Studies Certificate is designed to teach to Virginia's Competencies for Early Childhood Professionals. These competencies include health, safety and nutrition, understanding child growth and development, appropriate child observation and assessment, partnering with families and community, learning environment, effective interactions, program management, teacher qualifications and professional development curriculum.

**Employment opportunities** include positions in childcare centers, Head Start and Early Head Start classrooms, family day care homes, preschool programs, centers for children with special needs, residential childcare facilities and industry associated centers.

Course No.	Title	Credits
CHD 120*	Introduction to Early Childhood Education	3
CHD 145	Teaching Art, Music, and Movement to Children	3
CHD 165	Observation and Participation in Early Childhood/ Primary Settings	3
CHD 205*	Guiding the Behavior of Children	3
EDU 235	Health, Safety, and Nutrition Education	3
SDV 100*	College Success Skills	<u>1</u>
Total credits required		16

\*These courses have been scheduled for the fall of 2017:

SDV 100 – multiple offerings including in-class, hybrid and online. Check fall course schedule online.

CHD 120 – Offered online and as a hybrid course. Both begin on 8/21 and run eight weeks ending on 10/14. The hybrid course meets every other Tuesday from 6:30-8:30 with the first class meeting on 8/21.

CHD 205 - Offered online and as a hybrid course. Both begin on 10/18 and run eight weeks ending on 12/16. The hybrid course meets every other Tuesday from 6:30-8:30 with online material available on 10/18 and the first seated class meeting on 10/31.

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There are two scholarships available that can cover the cost of tuition, books and fees.

1. Virginia Early Childhood Foundation's Project Pathfinders – Information and application available online, contact [pathfinders@vecf.org](mailto:pathfinders@vecf.org) or 804/749-8149 for questions
2. Virginia Child Care Provider Scholarship Program (VCCPSP) through Dept. of Social Services – Information and application online, contact [childcare.scholarship@dss.virginia.gov](mailto:childcare.scholarship@dss.virginia.gov) or 866/636-1608 for questions

For both of these you must have a current college student ID number (your SIS ID), which means you need to complete an application to Blue Ridge Community College (BRCC). The steps for that are as follows:

1. Apply [online](#) – this is a Virginia Community College application, you will select BRCC, as your campus in a later screen.
2. On Step 5 of the application “Education Goals”
  - a. Select I do NOT plan to pursue a degree at this time
    - i. Under Reason for taking classes select ‘Developing Job Skills’
3. Once you complete the application process you can register for classes!
  - a. You can register for classes online through the Student Information System (SIS).
    - i. Log in to [MYBRCC](#) to access SIS and select the Enrollment option to add classes.