



Infant and Toddler Specialist Certificate

PART TIME

This program roadmap represents one possible pathway to complete the program. **Please see a counselor** to create an education plan that is customized to meet your needs. This roadmap is not a guarantee of course availability or financial aid applicability.

Catalog: 2025-26

Total Units: 28

First Year

Semester 1

12 Units

| CAT. | COURSE | UNIT | PREREQUISITES |
|------|--|--------|---------------|
| Req | ECE 300 Introduction to Principles and Practices in Early Childhood Education | 3 | |
| Req | ECE 312 Child Development or PSYC 372 Child Development | 3 3 | |
| Req | ECE 330 Infant and Toddler Development | 3 | |
| Req | ECE 430 Culture and Diversity in Early Childhood Education | 3 | |

Semester 2

10 Units

| CAT. | COURSE | UNIT | PREREQUISITES |
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| Req | ECE 314 The Child, the Family and the Community | 3 | |
| Req | ECE 320 Curriculum and Interactions in Early Childhood Education | 4 | ECE 300 and 312 |
| Req | ECE 331 Care and Education of Infants and Toddlers | 3 | |

Second Year

Semester 3

6 Units

| CAT. | COURSE | UNIT | PREREQUISITES |
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| Req | ECE 415 Children's Health, Safety and Nutrition or NUTRI 320 Children's Health, Safety and Nutrition | 3 3 | |
| Req | ECE 402 Infants with Atypical Development | 3 | |

EXPLANATION OF CATEGORIES

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| Req | Required Core | A course that is required for this program |
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CAREER PATH

Career Options:

Students completing this certificate qualify to work as an infant/toddler teacher in privately-funded programs and as an assistant teacher in a publicly-funded program. Students completing this certificate meet the infant/toddler coursework needed to manage a program with infant/toddler classrooms.

Advising Notes:

- ECE 320 has a lab and a lecture component. It requires students to complete 108 hours in an approved early education classroom. Students taking ECE 320 will have the option of completing their practicum experience at the ARC Child Development Center (CDC), at their worksite (if it meets required lab placement criteria), or from a department-approved community placement site.
- Placements at community sites and the ARC CDC will require the following immunizations: a current TB test (0-12 months), T-DAP (within 10 years), and MMR. Students may sign a waiver for the flu vaccine.
- Students must complete both ECE 300 and ECE 312/PSYC 372 with a "C" or better before taking ECE 320.

Other Notes:

- While working toward this certificate students may qualify for other ECE certificates. See ECE maps and meet with a counselor for guidance.