

EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION



CAREERS IN THIS FIELD

Center Director

Family Childcare Provider

Head Start Teacher • Preschool Teacher

Resource and Referral Service Provider

School Aide

ABOUT THE PROGRAM

The early childhood education program focuses on the growth and development of young children, infant through eight years, with an emphasis on healthy adult-child relationships. You will study and apply skills and techniques for providing developmentally appropriate environments, educational experiences, and care for young children, based on NAEYC standards. Instruction is provided in the physical, emotional, social, and cognitive domains of early childhood development. You will develop competencies through classroom instruction, observation, and participation in early education and care settings.

TECHNICAL CERTIFICATE (TC)

One-year Technical Certificate programs provide education in conceptual and technical skills for specific occupations. Each program contains a sequence of required courses in a recognized concentration within a program

TRANSFER OPPORTUNITIES

Credits from individual Ivy Tech classes transfer to colleges and universities throughout Indiana—and in some cases, entire programs transfer. Whether you are considering a program with a career in mind or want to save money by starting your bachelor's degree at Ivy Tech, transfer options are a great way to get started

ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE (AAS) DEGREE

Two-year Associate of Applied Science degree programs prepare students for careers, career changes and career advancement. AAS programs may also prepare students for transfer to four-year institutions. The program content, which is approximately 30 percent general education, provides depth and breadth in conceptual and professional/technical skills. Professional/technical courses equip students with the skills to obtain employment and to advance in the workforce.

ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE (AS) DEGREE

Two-year Associate of Science programs typically contain 40 percent or more general education, with the balance in technical and profession courses. The coursework provides students with a foundation for transfer to a related baccalaureate program at a four-year institution, and equips students with skills for the job market.

Not all concentrations are offered at all campuses. Please contact the Columbus/Franklin Region of Ivy Tech Community College campus for more information.

To learn more about employment and salary information for careers in this field, visit the U.S. Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics website at bls.gov and the official career site of the State of Indiana, indianacareerconnect.com.



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