Associates Degree in

Early Childhood Care & Education

The Early Childhood Care and Education associate degree prepares you to care for children ages birth to five years from a variety of cultural and ethnic backgrounds. Learn to design and implement developmentally appropriate learning environments for infants, toddlers, and preschoolers.

You'll thrive in our online learning environment designed to be highly supportive and convenient for working professionals. Start with our associate degree and use those credit hours to complete your bachelor degree online!

*The online associate degree does not lead to an Ohio PreK - Grade 5 teaching licensure.

**BE EXPERIENCED**
Our program includes at least one student teaching experience that requires access to children. For that reason, this degree option is highly desirable for working practitioners who can complete most field work as part of their job duties. The preschool and infant/toddler student teaching practicum and internships may be completed in the teachers own classroom, subject to the approval by program faculty.

**BE INVESTED**
The demand for early childhood care and education programs continues to increase, not only in response to the growing demand for out-of-home child care, but also in recognition of the critical importance of educational experiences during the early years. You'll have the opportunity to work in a variety of settings, including military child care centers, Early Head Start or Head Start, preschool, and family child care centers.

We understand your financial considerations are important. By starting with the associate degree, you can receive a 24% discount off instructional fees. This program is available for T.E.A.C.H. scholarship funding. Learn more by visiting https://occrra.org/wd/.

“Get involved and take risks. You never know what opportunities may arise from taking chances.”

#2 Best Online Associate in Early Childhood Education
(SED, TheBestSchools.org, 2018)

10.53% Increase in demand in employment for this field over the next 10 years (US Bureau of Labor Statistics, 2019)

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