

Education and Training Career Cluster

The Education and Training Career Cluster focuses on planning, managing, and providing education and training services and related learning support services. All parts of courses are designed to introduce learners to the various careers available within the Education and Training career cluster.

Early Learning Statewide Program of Study



The Early Learning program of study focuses on early childhood education, which consists of instructing and supporting preschool and early elementary school students in activities that promote social, physical and intellectual growth as well as in basic elements of science, art, music, and literature. This program of study introduces CTE learners to tasks necessary for planning, directing, and coordinating activities for young children.

Secondary Courses for High School Credit

Level 1

- Principles of Education and Training
- Principles of Human Services

Level 2

- Child Development
- Child Development Associate Foundations

Level 3

- Child Guidance

Level 4

- Practicum in Early Learning
- Project Based Research
- Career Preparation I

Postsecondary Opportunities

Associates Degrees

- Early Childhood Education and Teaching
- Multicultural Early Childhood Development
- Kindergarten/Preschool Education and Training
- Psychology/Sociology

Bachelor's Degrees

- Early Childhood Education and Teaching
- Multicultural Early Childhood Development
- Early Childhood
- Psychology/Sociology

Master's, Doctoral, and Professional Degrees

- Early Childhood Education and Teaching
- Multicultural Early Childhood Development
- Educational, Instructional, and Curriculum Supervision
- Educational Leadership and Administration

Work-Based Learning and Expanded Learning Opportunities

Exploration Activities	Work-Based Learning Activities
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Participate in the Texas Association of Future Educators or Family, Career, and Community Leaders of America 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Teach a community education class • Volunteer as a teaching assistant

Industry-Based Certifications

- Child Development Associate (CDA)
- Early Childhood Education and Care – Advanced
- Early Childhood Education and Care – Basic
- Educational Aide 1
- Pre-Professional Certification in Early Childhood Education



Aligned Occupations

Occupations	Median Wage	Annual Openings	% Growth
Kindergarten Teachers, except Special Education	\$53,310	1,848	17%
Preschool Teachers	\$27,851	4,330	17%
Elementary School Teachers	\$54,140	13,121	16%
Education Administrators, Elementary and Secondary School	\$79,830	2407	16%

Successful completion of the Early Learning program of study will fulfill requirements of the Public Service endorsement.

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Early Learning Course Information

Level 1

COURSE NAME	SERVICE ID	PREREQUISITES	COREQUISITES
Principles of Education and Training	13014200 (1 credit)	None	None
Principles of Human Services	13024200 (1 credit)	None	None

Level 2

COURSE NAME	SERVICE ID	PREREQUISITES	COREQUISITES
Child Development	13024700 (1 credit)	None	None
Child Development Associate Foundations	N1300500 (1 credit)	None	None

Level 3

COURSE NAME	SERVICE ID	PREREQUISITES	COREQUISITES
Child Guidance	13024800 (2 credits)	None	None

Level 4

COURSE NAME	SERVICE ID	PREREQUISITES	COREQUISITES
Practicum in Early Learning	13014520 (2 credits) 13014525 (3 credits) 13014530 (2 credits) 13014535 (3 credits)	Child Guidance	None
Project Based Research	12701500 (1 credit)	None	None
Career Preparation I	12701300 (2 credits) 12701305 (2 credits)	None	None

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