



CHILD DEVELOPMENT

Itasca Community College

Award: Certificate
Length: 16 semester credits

The purpose of the program is to enhance the quality of childcare by defining, evaluating, and recognizing the competence of childcare providers. The program has been developed to address the six national competency goals and standards required for the National CDC. Candidates can receive their CDC in any of the following three areas: Center-Based Preschool Setting, Center-Based Infant/Toddler Setting, and Family Child Care Setting. Students will have the opportunity to gain work experience through an onsite practicum in area early childhood programs. This experience, along with coursework, will prepare students with a strong foundation for working with young children in the community.

The CDC certificate is geared to both nontraditional students actively engaged in professional work with early childhood as well as to students in any related discipline who wish to increase their employability by successfully acquiring the skills in early childhood education and child development.

<u>Fall Semester</u>				<u>Spring Semester</u>			
Eced	1202	Child Development & Learning	3	Eced	1205	Relations & Management in EC	3
Eced	1207	Children's Health, Nutrition, & Safety	3	Eced	1206	Parents & Professional Relations	3
Eced	1106	Practicum	1	Eced	1106	Practicum	2
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Note: In addition to the above courses, students can complete the National CDA Certification by completing an additional 360 hours of experience in an early childhood program, creating a resource file, observations from their advisor, and successful completion of the certification test.

To register, call the Student Services Office at Itasca Community College, (218) 322-2320, or 1-800-996-6422, ext. 2320.