

Guided Pathway to Success (GPS)

Suggested schedules map your path to degree completion.

Full-time student: Follow the green semester blocks in order.

Part-time student: Follow the blue course sequence at your own pace.

Students should meet with an advisor each semester to carefully select and sequence courses based on their specific academic goals and interests. Visit Jefferson Hall or call 301.846.2471 for advising.

Students who require developmental English or Math coursework will need additional semesters to complete their certificate. Summer and January term classes may help students to make faster progress.

1 Recommended First Semester

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| 1 | Departmental Requirement | ECED 101 - Child Development and Behavior | 3 credits |
| 2 | Departmental Requirement | ECED 125 - Methods and Materials in Early Childhood | 3 credits |
| 3 | Departmental Requirement | ECED 135 - Infant/Toddler Development and Care | 3 credits |
| 4 | Departmental Requirement | ECED 155 - Activities for the School Age Child | 3 credits |

Upon completion of the first semester coursework, students are eligible to receive the Letter of Recognition in Early Childhood and the Letter of Recognition in Child Care Preschool Teacher.

2 Recommended Second Semester

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| 5 | Departmental Requirement | ECED 105 - Introduction to Early Childhood Education | 3 credits |
| 6 | Departmental Requirement | ECED 205 - Administration of Child Development Centers | 3 credits |
| 7 | Departmental Requirement | ECED 215 - Understanding and Guiding the Young Child's Behavior | 3 credits |
| 8 | Departmental Requirement | ECED 225 - Language and Literacy in Early Childhood Development | 3 credits |

3 Recommended Third Semester

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| 9 | Departmental Requirement | EDUC 230 - Foundations of Special Education | 3 credits |
| 10 | Departmental Requirement | ECED 245 - Directed Practicum in Early Childhood* or INTR 103 - Internship | 3 credits |
| 11 | Departmental Requirement | ECED 145 - Child Health, Safety and Nutrition | 3 credits |

*EDUC 203 must be completed prior to enrolling in this course.