

## EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION TRANSFER PATHWAY AS

**Purpose:** RCTC’s Early Childhood Care and Education program offers a 25-credit certificate in Child Development and a 60-credit Transfer Pathway AS degree in Early Childhood Education. The Child Development certificate is embedded in the AS degree. The 25-credit certificate in Child Development meets the Minnesota Department of Human Services (DHS) educational requirement for assistant teachers and teachers in child care centers. DHS Rule 3 requires additional work experience to be hired as an assistant teacher or teacher. Students are encouraged to seek employment as a program assistant or child care assistant in a licensed early childhood program upon entrance to RCTC.

**Award**

*Early Childhood Education Transfer Pathway A.S. Degree .....60 credits total*  
*ECCE curriculum ..... 30 credits*  
*MnTC curriculum/General Education..... 30 credits*

### RECOMMENDED FULL-TIME COURSE SEQUENCE

*Not all courses are scheduled every semester. See course schedule at <https://eservices.minnstate.edu/registration/search/basic.html?campusid=306>.*

<p><b>Semester 1</b></p> <p>ECCE 1001 Intro to Early Childhood Care &amp; Education 3 cr</p> <p>ECCE 1210 Child Growth and Development 3 cr</p> <p>ECCE 1235 Intentional Teaching Through Learning Environments 3 cr</p> <p>ENGL 1117 Reading and Writing Critically I 4 cr</p> <p>COMM 1130 Interpersonal Communication 3 cr</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>Total Credits 16</b></p>		<p><b>Semester 2</b></p> <p>ECCE 1220 Health, Safety and Wellness 3 cr</p> <p>ECCE 1232 Positive Guidance &amp; Social-Emotional Development 3 cr</p> <p>ECCE 2630 Teaching Young Children with Special Needs 3 cr</p> <p>ENGL 1118 Reading and Writing Critically II 4 cr</p> <p>PSYC 2626 Human Growth and Development 3 cr</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>Total Credits 12</b></p>
<p><b>Semester 3</b></p> <p>ECCE 1505 Family Relations 3 cr</p> <p>ECCE 1320 Observing and Assessing 3 cr</p> <p>ECCE 2250 Foundations of Language and Literacy 3 cr</p> <p>SOC 2612 Marriage and Family Across the Life Span 3 cr</p> <p>MATH 0990 Statway Statistics (the pre-requisite for MATH 1090) 4 cr</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>Total Credits 16</b></p>		<p><b>Semester 4</b></p> <p>SOC 2625 Minority Group Relations 3 cr</p> <p>ECCE 2810 Practicum I 3 cr</p> <p>HUM 1500 Compassion Studies 3 cr</p> <p><b>OR</b></p> <p>ENGL 2297 Children’s Literature 3 cr</p> <p>BIOL 1101 Elements of Biology 3 cr</p> <p><b>OR</b></p> <p>SCIE 1100 Integrated Biology and Chemistry 3 cr</p> <p>MATH 1090 Statway Statistics II 4 cr</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>Total Credits 16</b></p>

### RECOMMENDED PART-TIME COURSE SEQUENCE

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<p><b>Semester 1</b></p> <p>ECCE 1001 Intro to Early Childhood Care &amp; Education 3 cr</p> <p>ECCE 1210 Child Growth and Development 3 cr</p> <p>ENGL 1117 Reading and Writing Critically I 4 cr</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>Total Credits 10</b></p>		<p><b>Semester 2</b></p> <p>ECCE 1220 Health, Safety and Wellness 3 cr</p> <p>ECCE 1232 Positive Guidance &amp; Social-Emotional Development 3 cr</p> <p>ENGL 1118 Reading and Writing Critically II 4 cr</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>Total Credits 10</b></p>
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<b>Semester 3</b> ECCE 1235 Intentional Teaching Through Learning Environments ECCE 1505 Family Relations MATH 0990 Statway Statistics I (the pre-requisite for MATH 1090) <p style="text-align: right;"><b>Total Credits 10</b></p>	3 cr 3 cr 4 cr	<b>Semester 4</b> ECCE 2630 Teaching Young Children with Special Needs SOC 2625 Minority Group Relations MATH 1090 Statway Statistics II <p style="text-align: right;"><b>Total Credits 10</b></p>	3 cr 3 cr 4 cr
<b>Semester 5</b> ECCE 1320 Observing and Assessing PSYC 2626 Human Growth and Development BIOL 1101 Elements of Biology <b>Or</b> SCIE 1100 Integrated Biology and Chemistry <p style="text-align: right;"><b>Total Credits 9</b></p>	3 cr 3 cr 3 cr or 3 cr	<b>Semester 6</b> ECCE 2250 Foundations of Language and Literacy ECCE 2810 Practicum I COMM 1130 Interpersonal Communication <p style="text-align: right;"><b>Total Credits 9</b></p>	3 cr 3 cr 3 cr
<b>Semester 7</b> HUM 1500 Compassion Studies <b>Or</b> ENGL 2297 Children's Literature SOC 2612 Marriage and Family Across the Life Span <p style="text-align: right;"><b>Total Credits 6</b></p>	3 cr or 3 cr 3 cr		

Course descriptions can be found at: <https://www.rctc.edu/academics/courses/course-descriptions>.