

EARLY CHILDHOOD CERTIFICATE

Earn an 18-credit Early Childhood Education Certificate in just one year for FREE! Gain a solid foundation to advance in the rewarding, high-demand education field, thanks to partner support from the Southwest Initiative Foundation and Ridgewater College. This special cohort option is for those currently employed in child care centers, private preschools, Head Start programs, or family child care.



2025-26 ONLINE SCHEDULE

Fall Semester 2025

EDUC 1620 Intro to Early Childhood Ed.

- August 25 - October 17

EDUC 1125 Child Growth & Development

- October 20 - December 19

Spring Semester 2026

EDUC 1120 Diverse Children & Family Relations

- January 12 - March 13

EDUC 1610 Health, Wellness & Nutrition

- March 16 - May 15

EDUC 2900 Internship

- January 12 - May 15

Summer Semester 2026

EDUC 1115 Intro to Special Education

- May 26 - July 17



QUESTIONS?

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