

Washington County



Community College
Calais, Maine
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Approximate Cost For One Year (Tuition & Fees)

In State
\$3,765.70

New Brunswick Residents
\$3,765.70

Out of State
\$7,336.90

Financial Aid is available
for students who qualify.
Approximately 85% of
WCCC students receive
some form of financial aid.

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School Code: 009231

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Calais, Maine 04619

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Early Childhood Education

WCCC offers Associate in Applied Science and Certificate programs in Early Childhood Education.

The Associate of Applied Science (AAS) degree in Early Childhood Education (ECE) prepares graduates to enter positions in a variety of programs that serve children birth to eight years of age, including programs that serve children with special learning and developmental needs. Through a combination of coursework and practical internships, students gain foundational knowledge of the theories of child development along with opportunities for hands on experience including the delivery of meaningful curriculum, practice of observation and assessment, and the use of positive guidance and discipline strategies. That National Association of Education of Young Children (NAEYC) Professional Preparation Standards are weaved through ECE courses and internship experiences to prepare students with a working knowledge of core values and principles in the profession of early childhood education. The AAS degree may also be a pathway to earning a bachelor's degree and a teaching certificate.

The Early Childhood Education CDA certificate program at WCCC is a two-semester, integrated, comprehensive program covering 35 topics in Early Childhood Education in three courses (ECE101, ECE103, and PSY195), and 15 Early Childhood topics in special education and the field experience. Students apply for the national CDA credential through the Council for Professional Recognition.

Visiting the campus is easy. Contact the Office of Admissions at 207-454-1000 or admissions@wccc.me.edu to schedule a time to visit the Early Childhood Education program!

For more program specific information, please contact the program instructor Mindy Reynolds, mreynolds@wccc.me.edu, 207-454-1044.

The Early Childhood Education program requires completion of the Student Disclosure of Criminal Convictions, Pending Criminal Charges and Certain Disqualifications. Completion of this form does not automatically deny admission to the program. Prospective applicants will meet with the Dean of Enrollment Management and Student Services to review information.

Washington County Community College is an equal opportunity/affirmative action institution and employer. For more information; please call Tatiana Osmond, Affirmative Action Officer, at 454-1094

Associate in Applied Science – 62 credit hours

| Course # | Course Title | Credits |
|-----------------------|--|-----------|
| Semester 1 | | |
| ECE 101 | Introduction to Early Childhood Education | 3 |
| EDU 180 | Children's Literature | 3 |
| ENG 101 | College Composition | 3 |
| PSY 101 | Introduction to Psychology | 3 |
| PSY 195 | Child and Adolescent Development | 3 |
| FYE 100 | First Year Experience | 1 |
| | Total | 16 |
| Semester 2 | | |
| ECE 103 | Management, Professional & Personal Development in Early Childhood Education | 3 |
| ECE 185 | Observation & Assessment in Early Childhood | 3 |
| MAT | MAT Elective of MAT 112 or above | 3 |
| SED 220 | Education of Young Children with Special Needs | 3 |
| SOC 101 or SOC 102 | Introduction to Sociology or Sociology of the Family | 3 |
| | Total | 15 |
| Semester 3 | | |
| BIO 120 | General Biology | 4 |
| ECE 210 | Child Guidance and Discipline | 3 |
| ECE 230 | Curriculum in Early Childhood Education (Birth to Age 3) | 3 |
| EDU 195 | Field Experience in ECE | 3 |
| ENG 107 | Speech | 3 |
| | Total | 16 |
| Semester 4 | | |
| ECE 235 | Curriculum in Early Childhood Education (Ages 3-8) | 3 |
| EDU 290 | Internship in Early Childhood Education | 6 |
| Elective | Approved Education Elective | 3 |
| Elective | Approved Humanities / Fine Arts Elective | 3 |
| | Total | 15 |

*The Early Childhood Education Certificate would consist of Semester 1 & 2 listed above. (31 credit hours)