

# EARLY CHILDCARE ASSISTANT

## COURSE OUTLINE

The course consists of 13 subjects. These subjects are covered in the classroom and in the clinical lab. Additional practical experience is provided in a child care facility and in the community.

- Introduction to Early Child Care and Education
- Introduction to Prenatal, Infant and Toddler Development
- Observation skills
- Guiding children
- Health and safety
- Nutrition
- Introduction to Preschool Development
- Practicum 1: Infant and Toddler
- Practicum 2: Preschool
- Introduction to Child Development
- Curriculum Planning
- Child, Family and Community
- Written Communication
- Roles and Responsibilities

Total Number of Hours:	455 Hrs. Theory + 490 Hrs. Field Placement = 945 Total Hrs.
Number of Weeks:	38 Weeks
Program Duration:	1 Academic Year

## PROGRAM SUMMARY

The Early Childcare Assistant Diploma Program has been designed to equip childcare workers with the valuable knowledge, skills and experience for employment as assistants in day care and/or early learning centers. In addition to covering early childhood development, the course includes program planning, communication and other vital topics as well as the roles of assisting in a childcare setting.

## CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

There is an increasing demand in the industry for qualified individuals who have completed formal training such as those offered in this diploma program. You'll graduate from our Early Childcare Assistant program with the knowledge and skills needed to work in a variety of related workplaces, including nursery schools, kindergartens, montessori schools, early learning centers, daycare centers and both government and non-profit organizations, among many others.

CO-OP: The ECA Practicum is divided into two seven weeks full-time co-op placements in a licensed daycare center. Practicum 1 takes place in an Infant and/or Toddler setting & Practicum 2 takes place in preschool setting.

**JOB SEARCH WORKSHOPS ARE INCLUDED AS PART OF THE COURSE.**




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