FACULTY OF APPLIED HEALTH & COMMUNITY STUDIES

Early Childhood Education – Intensive

Sheridan’s Early Childhood Education – Intensive program helps you provide young children with the best possible education and care.

Make a difference. Help young children reach their potential.

Fast-track your career

This program was created specifically for students who have already completed university or college programs in a related field and want to fast-track their early childhood education career. The ECE – Intensive program is of particular interest to those returning to a second career educating children or for those who have international credentials not currently recognized as equivalent to ECE.

What you’ll learn

• Best practices for supporting young children’s learning and development
• Current issues and theories of child development
• Roles and responsibilities of the early childhood educator
• Curriculum theory and approaches
• Programming for infants, toddlers, preschoolers and school-age children
• Professionalism and advocacy in early childhood education

Field placements

You’ll have the chance to transfer your learning into practice by completing two different field placements at Sheridan’s highly acclaimed childcare centres, full-day kindergarten classrooms and other early learning settings. There’s even an opportunity for international placements, which may include Hong Kong, Grenada or St. Vincent.

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Admission Requirements

Program Eligibility
Postsecondary diploma and/or degree with related courses. Applicants with an unrelated diploma and/or degree are required to submit documentation confirming volunteer and/or paid hours.

Applicant Selection
Eligible applicants will be selected on the basis of previous academic achievement and related courses, and/or demonstrated experience.

In some cases, applicants may be required to submit confirmation and verification of volunteer/paid hours working in early learning, validated by a Registered Early Childhood Educator (RECE).

Applicants may be required to complete English testing to demonstrate proficiency.

Postsecondary transcripts, indicating courses completed to date, must be submitted to ontariocolleges.ca at the time of application.

Applicants who do not meet the admission requirements for this program will be assessed and advised individually and may be considered for other, related programs.

Criminal Record Check and Immunization Requirements
Completion of field practicum is a mandatory program requirement. Progression and graduation are not possible without completion of a field practicum. Many field practicums require a Vulnerable Sectors Check (VSC), Criminal Reference Check (CRC), and current health requirements check. In the event that you have any of these checks resulting in a “possible match” or “police contact” record(s), the decision about whether you are accepted for field practicum falls to the field placement agency. The agency may require you to disclose the particulars of your record; you have the right to not make this disclosure. If the agency denies you the field practicum based on a “possible match” or “police contact” record(s) or a lack of disclosure, you will not be able to complete your field practicum at that agency and, therefore, may be unable to complete your credential.

Please refer to the immunization information on Sheridan’s website, or come in to one of the campus health centres.

English Language Proficiency
All applicants whose first language is not English must meet Sheridan’s English proficiency requirements.

Refer to the website for full admission requirements.

Career Opportunities
When you complete your one-year Early Childhood Education diploma program, you’ll be ready to begin an exciting career in this field.

HERE ARE SOME PLACES YOU MIGHT WORK:

- Before- and after-school programs
- Centre-based child care programs
- ESL/LINC child minding programs
- Full-day kindergarten programs
- Literacy and parenting programs
- Ontario Early Years Centres

Courses
SOME OF THE COURSES YOU CAN EXPECT TO TAKE IN YOUR PROGRAM

- The Early Childhood Environment
- Curriculum Planning for Play based Learning
- Child’s Growth and Development
- Working with School Age Children in Community-based Settings
- Inclusion in Early Learning Settings
- Professional Ethics and Reflection in ECEC

Note: See website for specific terms and course listings.

More information

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