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**Employer Satisfaction\***  
with the knowledge and skills that our graduates possess.

**Ontario College Diploma**

**Program Code: PECED**

Full-Time | Trafalgar Road Campus, Davis Campus | 2 yrs (4 semesters)

**FACULTY OF APPLIED HEALTH & COMMUNITY STUDIES**

# Early Childhood Education

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



**Make a difference. Help young children reach their potential.**

## State-of-the-art education

You'll learn from our highly qualified professors who have strong academic backgrounds and extensive experience working with young children, their families and the community. Our uniquely designed curriculum room will encourage and support your learning by providing hands-on experiences in a simulated early learning classroom.

## 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 three different field placements at Sheridan's highly acclaimed childcare centres, full-day kindergarten classrooms or other early learning settings. There's even an opportunity for international placements, which may include Hong Kong, Grenada or St. Vincent.

## Admission Requirements

### Program Eligibility

**Ontario Secondary School Diploma or equivalent, including these required courses:**

- One English, Grade 12 (ENG4C or ENG4U).

or

Mature student status.

### Applicant Selection

Eligible applicants will be selected on the basis of their previous academic achievement (the average of their six highest senior-level credits, including required courses). Strong English skills are essential because of the demands in early language development.

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 be advised that such records may constrain opportunities in various sectors of the profession.

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

Refer to the website for full admission requirements.

## Career Opportunities

When you complete your 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

Full-day kindergarten programs

Literacy and parenting programs

Nursery schools

Ontario Early Years Centres

## Courses

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

Foundations of Play-based Curriculum

Observation in Early Childhood Education

Nutrition, Health and Safety

Inclusion in Early Learning Settings

Child's Growth and Development

Responsive Caregiving for Infants & Toddlers

Note: See website for specific terms and course listings.

## More information



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