Why Early Childhood?

Early childhood is a critical time in the developmental years. Careers in this field provide an opportunity to make a significant impact in the lives of children and families.

What can I do?

- Child Care Center Teacher or Administrator
- Certified Teacher
- Early Intervention Specialist
- Home Visitor
- Child Care Resource and Referral Agent

Discover a profession that makes a difference

Central Arizona College
About Us:

Vision:
Central Arizona College Early Childhood Education program is a model of excellence for early childhood professional development.

Mission:
The mission of the Central Arizona College Early Childhood Education Department is to engage students in innovative and effective learning experiences that positively impact their lives as well as children, families, and the community.

Program Description:
The Early Childhood Education Department is accredited by the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC). We improve the quality of early childhood programs by providing high quality, responsive, affordable and accessible education to diverse communities. We do this by following NAEYC Standards for Early Childhood Professional Preparation Program as well as the NAEYC Code of Ethical Conduct.

Working to improve the quality of care provided in the community and across the state by providing high quality, responsive, affordable and accessible education to our diverse communities.

Students Can Pursue Credits for:
The National CDA Credential
18 Credit hours

Certificates of Completion:
Early Childhood Education
Infant/Toddler
Family Childcare

Associate of Applied Science (AAS) Degrees:
Early Childhood Education
Early Childhood Infant/Toddler

Associate of Arts in Early Childhood Education (AA ECE)

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