

Minnesota North College - Itasca Campus
Child Development

Academic Year 2022-23
Certificate (18 credits)

FALL SEMESTER 2022 – 10 Credits		CREDITS	HOURS LEC/LAB
ECED 1106	Practicum	1	
ECED 1202	Child Development and Learning	3	3/0
ECED 1207	Children’s Health, Nutrition, and Safety	3	3/0
EDUC 2414	Infant and Toddler Strategies	3	3/0
SPRING SEMESTER 2023 – 8 Credits			
ECED 1106	Practicum	2	
ECED 1205	Relations and Management	3	3/0
ECED 1206	Diverse Children and Families	3	3/0

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The purpose of the program is to enhance the quality of childcare by defining, evaluating, and recognizing the competence of childcare providers. The program has been developed to address the six national competency goals and standards required for the National CDC. Candidates can receive their CDC in any of the following three areas: Center-Based Preschool Setting, Center-Based Infant/Toddler Setting, and Family Child Care Setting. Students will have the opportunity to gain work experience through an onsite practicum in area early childhood programs. This experience, along with coursework, will prepare students with a strong foundation for working with young children in the community.

The CDC certificate is geared to both nontraditional students actively engaged in professional work with early childhood as well as to students in any related discipline who wish to increase their employability by successfully acquiring the skills in early childhood education and child development.

PROGRAM NOTES

In addition to the above courses, students can complete the National CDA Certification by

- completing an additional 360 hours of experience in an early childhood program
- creating a resource file
- observations and testing
- and successful completion of the certification test



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