

Early Childhood Care and Education (ECC2)

Diploma eMap

This eMap, along with regular meetings with your program advisor and using DegreeWorks, will help you remain on track to finish your program as quickly as possible and graduate from Georgia Northwestern Technical College. This eMap is intended to be used when beginning the program in Fall semester. Starting the program in Spring or Summer semesters may alter the suggested courses or course availability. This pathway is based on the 2026-2027 academic year.



Please note: This eMap is for students strictly seeking the ECCE Diploma. Students considering an ECCE AAS Degree should see the planning notes on this eMap for more information.

1 st set of suggested courses			
Course		Hours	Completed
COMP 1000	Introduction to Computer Literacy	3	☐
ECCE 1101	Introduction to Early Childhood Care and Education	3	☐
ECCE 1103	Child Growth and Development	3	☐
ECCE 1105	Health, Safety and Nutrition	3	☐

It is recommended these courses be taken first. Students will earn an Early Childhood Care and Education Basics (EC31) Certificate at the end of this set.

2 nd set of suggested courses			
Course		Hours	Completed
ENGL 1005	Applied Technical Communication	3	☐
ECCE 1112	Curriculum and Assessment	3	☐
ECCE 1113	Creative Activities for Children	3	☐
ECCE 1121	Early Childhood Care and Education Practicum (Corequisite: ECCE 1112, ECCE 2203)	3	☐

Students will earn a Child Development Specialist (CD61) Certificate at the end of this set. ECCE 1121 is only offered in Fall and Spring Semesters.

3 rd set of suggested courses			
Course		Hours	Completed
MATH 1012	Foundations of Mathematics	3	☐
ECCE 2115	Language and Literacy	3	☐
ECCE 2116	Math and Science	3	☐
ECCE 2202	Social Issues and Family Involvement	3	☐

4 th set of suggested courses			
Course		Hours	Completed
PSYC 1010	Basic Psychology	3	☐
OR	OR	OR	
EMPL 1000	Interpersonal Relations and Professional Development	2	
XXXX xxxx	Guided Elective	3	☐
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ECCE 2203	Guidance and Classroom Management	3	☐

5 th set of suggested courses			
Course		Hours	Completed
ECCE 2245	Early Childhood Care and Education Internship I	6	☐

ECCE 2245 is only offered in Fall and Spring semesters.

Total Credit Hours: 53 Minimum Credit Hours Required for Graduation

Early Childhood Care and Education Diploma Planning Notes:

- Courses for this Diploma are offered at all six GNTC campuses. Schedules for each campus may vary.
- Prior to enrolling in a lab course (ECCE 1121 or ECCE 2245), students must provide the following documentation: (1) DECAL Clearance Letter, (2) CPR/First Aid certification.
- For students who may be considering transferring to the Early Childhood Care and Education (EC13) AAS Degree program:
 - It is recommended for the Early Childhood Care and Education Diploma to complete the pre-occupational curriculum after completing the occupational curriculum (ENGL1005 or ENGL 1010, MATH 1012, PSYC 1010/EMPL 1000)
 - Student would benefit from registering for requires Associates Degree Specialization courses in place of Guided Electives (during 4th set).
- The Program Advisor for ECC2 is Jennifer Dixon, jdixon@gntc.edu

Additional information for the Early Childhood Care and Education program and program requirements can be found at [GNTC 2026-2027 Catalog](#)