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Early Childhood Education

Diploma

Program Code: 07911

Campus: North

Length: 4 semesters

Humber's Early Childhood Education (ECE) diploma program prepares you to work with children (birth to 12 years) and their families.

You will learn about:

how children learn

how ministry and government legislation and guidelines inform practice

how to create responsive, inclusive play-based learning environments and natural play spaces for children, families and the community

human development

Indigenous and non-Indigenous ways of being, seeing, knowing and doing

observation and reflection, and the co-preparation of pedagogical documentation by children, families and the community

the image of the child and the significance of viewing children from a wide variety of lenses

the importance of collaborating with relevant community agencies

the importance of responsive relationships

social justice, advocacy, leadership and the role of the ECE professional

Start-Completion Timeline

January - students beginning their studies in January are enrolled in a fast-track option. This option allows for completion of the full diploma program in approximately 20 months with one summer break between the first and second academic years.

May - students enrolling in May complete the full diploma program in approximately 20 months with one summer break between the first and second academic years.

September - students beginning their studies in September complete the program in two academic years with one summer break between the first and second academic years.

We believe it is necessary for students to have extensive experience in the profession to be successful as registered early childhood educators.

In the ECE program, field experience 1 begins in Semester 2. Clearance requirements will be reviewed during Semester 1 and will be completed by the end of Semester 2.

Courses

Semester 1

ECE 111: Responsive Relationships in Inclusive Environments

ECE 113: Children, Play and Creativity

ECE 114: Child Development: Prenatal to 2 and a Half Years

ECE 115: Promoting Health and Safety

ECE 120: Introduction to the Early Childhood Education Profession

ECE 125: Understanding Children through Observation

WRIT 100: College Reading and Writing Skills

Semester 2

ECE 122: Social Justice: Nurturing Communities

ECE 123: Curriculum Design

ECE 124: Child Development: 2 to 6 Years

ECE 130: Field Experience 1 - Early Childhood Education

GNED 101: An Introduction to Arts and Sciences

WRIT 200: Workplace Writing Skills

Semester 3

ECE 230: Field Experience 2 - Early Childhood Education

ECE 232: Creating Inclusive Environments

ECE 233: Family Perspectives

ECE 234: Land-Based Play and Co-Learning through Etuaptmumk/Two-Eyed Seeing

ECE 235: Transforming Practice Through Observation

Select 1 from the following courses

GNED: General Elective

Semester 4

ECE 242: Community Collaborations

ECE 243: Advocacy and Leadership in Early Childhood Education

ECE 244: Child Development: 6 to 12 Years

ECE 245: The Reflective Professional

ECE 250: Field Experience 3 - Early Childhood Education

Select 1 from the following courses

GNED: General Elective

Admission Requirements

Admission selection is based on the following 3 requirements: