

Northern Virginia Community College 2009-2010 Catalog

EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT

Certificate

AL, LO, MA

Purpose: The curriculum is designed to prepare individuals for employment in environments where the care and education of young children is the primary focus. Occupational opportunities include employment in child development programs and family child care homes and before and after school-age programs.

One Year		Credits
1st Semester		
CHD	118 Language Arts for Young Children or CHD 119 Introduction to Reading Methods*	3
CHD	120 Introduction to Early Childhood Education	3
CHD	205 Guiding the Behavior of Children or CHD 230 Behavior Management for School-Age Child Care*	3
EDU	235 Health, Safety, and Nutrition Education	3
ENG	111 College Composition I	3
SDV	Elective	<u>1</u>
Total		16
2nd Semester		
CHD	145 Teaching Art, Music, and Movement to Children or CHD 225 Curriculum Development for School-Age Child Care*	3
CHD	146 Math, Science and Social Studies for Children	3
CHD	165 Observation and Participation in Early Childhood/Primary Settings or CHD 270 Administration of Childcare Programs*	3
CHD	216 Early Childhood Programs, School, and Social Change or CHD 210 Introduction to Exceptional Children*	3
PSY	235 Child Psychology	<u>3</u>
Total		15

Total credits for the Early Childhood Development Certificate = 31

* Students preparing to work with school-age children should take these courses.