Early Childhood Classroom Assistant Teacher (ECCAT), Skillset

Academic Year 2026-2027

Program Description:
The ECCAT Program is a one semester skillset consisting of 12 credit hours. This certificate program is designed to prepare students to become Early Childhood Classroom Assistant Teachers for children Pre-K through third grade. This Program is designed to meet the educational requirements set forth by the West Virginia Department of Education.

Career Outlook and Salary Forecast:
For the most current information, please refer to the Bureau of Labor Statistics "Occupational Outlook Handbook" found at www.bls.gov/ooh/.

Program Outcomes:
- Prepare students to become an early childhood professional
- Create healthy environments, respectful and challenging environments for young children

Program Admission Requirements:
The college adheres to an open admission policy which means applicants with a high school diploma or a GED are eligible for admission. Applicants with neither a high school diploma nor a GED may be admitted on a conditional basis.

Please see the West Virginia Department of Education website for additional requirements at
https://wvde.us/certifications/early-childhood-classroom-assistant-teacher-program-requirements

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COURSE	REQUIREMENTS	SEM	HRS	GR	SUBSTITUTE/REPEAT CRS	SEM	CR
	Early Childhood Classroom Assistant Teacher, Skillset – Major Code SS17						
Name:					ID Number 942-		
Educational Counselor:							
Faculty Advisor:							
EDUC 120	Foundations of Early Childhood Education	F	3				
EDUC 225	Development of Young Children[1]	S	3				
EDUC 228	Early Childhood Special Education[2]	S	3				
EDUC 230	Early Language and Literacy[2]	F	3				
			12				
	Hours required for graduation		12				

[1] EDUC 225 has a prerequisite of EDUC 120 and EDUC 230.

[2] EDUC 228 and EDUC 230 have a prerequisite of EDUC 225.