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New Apprenticeship Program Highlights

ECE Apprenticeship Program leading to:

BACHELOR OF ARTS IN INCLUSIVE EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The UCCS BA in IECE program is pleased to announce a new ECE Apprenticeship opportunity, funded through the CO Department of Early Childhood. This program will fund 12 participants to simultaneously complete two years of IECE coursework leading to a BA in IECE (ECE and ECSE license) while working in a licensed child care program (school district preschool, Head Start, etc.). Federally-registered apprenticeships are a nationally-recognized work-based learning model that provides workers with job experience, mentorship, supportive services, and wage increases for credential and degree attainment.

For Employer Partners:

- Financial support for hosting apprentices
- Stipends to support apprentice bonuses
- Financial support for substitutes
- Stipends for mentor teachers

For Apprentices:

- Full tuition and fee coverage for 2 full-time years of courses
- Job embedded coaching
- Bonuses for credits and experience
- Qualification for CDE teaching credentials: ECE and ECSE
- Continued ECE employment for 2 years during the program



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COURSE REQUIREMENTS (Varies based on prior coursework)

FALL 1 (15 CREDITS)

GPS 1010	GPS or Electives
IECE 1000	Intro Inclusive Early Childhood Education
ENG 1310	Rhetoric and Writing 1
HIST 1510 or 1520	US: Birth of a Nation, 1607-1789 or US: Expansion and Division, 1789-1877
IECE 1010	Inclusive Child Development

SPRING 1 (15 CREDITS)

IECE 1500	Valuing Diversity and Anti-Bias Practices in ECE
PSY 1000	General Psychology
ENGL 1410	Rhetoric and Writing 2
IECE 1020	Learning Through Play
EDUC 2400	Arts Integration for Educators

FALL 2 (15 CREDITS)

IECE 2000	Collaborative Partnerships with Families and Communities
EDUC 2200	Children's Literature
MATH 3010	Math for Elementary Teachers 1
IELM 2600	Integrated Science 1
IECE 2100	SEL and Trauma Sensitive Care

SPRING 2 (16 CREDITS)

IECE 2200	Designing Inclusive Child Centered Curriculum
IECE 2500	Relationships, Positive Guidance, Behavior Support
MATH 3020	Math for Elementary Teachers 2
EDUC 2650	Integrated Science 2
GES 1980	World Regional Geography

FALL 3 (15 CREDITS) – PRE-K BLOCK

IECE 3500	Young Dual Language Learners and Family Literacy
IECE 3000	ECE Observation and Assessment
IECE 3010	Emergent Literacy and Early Language Development
IECE 3020	Practicum 1: Birth-4
IECE 3025	Practicum 1 Seminar
PORT 3000	Writing Portfolio Assessment

SPRING 3 (16 CREDITS) – K-3 BLOCK

IECE 4000	Math and Numeracy
IECE 4010	Literacy Development, Instruction, and Interventions
IECE 4020	Positive Classroom Communities
IECE 4030	Practicum 2: K-3rd grade
IECE 4035	Practicum 2 Seminar
EDUC 3991	Intro to Professional Year - IECE

FALL 4 (15 CREDITS)

COUN 4500	Wellness, Resiliency, Emotional Intelligence
IECE 3600	Culturally Responsive Leadership and Practices in Early Childhood
IELM 3250	Teaching Students with Complex Support Needs
IECE 4500	Universal Design for Learning and Individualized Supports
IECE 4600	Practicum 3: Differentiating Instruction for Young Children

SPRING 4 (13 CREDITS)

IECE 4800	IECE Student Teaching
IECE 4850	IECE Capstone Portfolio

EXAM REQUIREMENTS

PRAXIS: #5024, #5691, and #5205





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Project Overview- Fall 2022 Start

- 2+2 BA in IECE program completion project
- Support 12-15 apprentices to complete 3rd and 4th year courses, leading to ECE/ECSE licensure, while working in licensed ECE programs
- Provide student support, coaching, exam preparation
- Partnering with Joint Initiatives for career navigation and employer support





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Participant Information

- Recruiting participants from Pueblo and El Paso Counties, cohort from Ignacio area and Southern Ute Tribal Nation
- Target recruitment from Pueblo Community College
- AA, AS, or AAS degree holders ready to complete their BA degree





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Partnership Goals

- Pueblo Community College (state-wide extensions)
- Pueblo area child care centers
- Bayfield/Igancio area child care centers
- Southern Ute Tribal Nation School
- Colorado Springs child care centers/Head Start

