Early Childhood Development

Early Childhood Development and Education is designed for students who plan on working with young children in school, family, and institutional settings. Certification options allow students to pursue careers as teachers and early interventionists.

**Entry Level Positions**
- Early intervention specialist
- Kindergarten/primary teacher
- Special ed. preschool teacher
- Child welfare worker
- Mental health worker
- Social case worker
- Patient relations representative
- Youth group worker

**Further Education/Experience Required**
- Child care program director
- Public policy analyst
- Head Start director
- Child development specialist
- School counselor
- Mental health worker
- Social worker
- Marriage & family therapist

**Employers of Early Childhood Education Majors**
- Schools
- State/federal government
- Hospitals
- Counseling/rehabilitation agencies
- Child care centers
- Community service agencies
- Parks and recreation agencies
- Health service agencies

**Professional Associations and Affiliations**

- Alliance for Children & Families
  [www.alliance1.org/](http://www.alliance1.org/)
- American Counseling Association (ACA)
  [www.counseling.org/](http://www.counseling.org/)
- American Public Health Association
  [www.apha.org/](http://www.apha.org/)
- American Sociological Association
  [www.asanet.org](http://www.asanet.org)
- Community Career Center
  [www.nonprofitjobs.org/](http://www.nonprofitjobs.org/)
- GuideStar
  [www.guidestar.org/](http://www.guidestar.org/)
- Human Services Career Network
  [www.HSCareers.com](http://www.HSCareers.com)
- Idealist - Action Without Borders
  [www.idealista.org](http://www.idealista.org)
- Internet Nonprofit Center
  [www.nonprofits.org/](http://www.nonprofits.org/)
- EDJOIN: Calif. Public Education Jobs
  [www.edjoin.org](http://www.edjoin.org)
- MentalHealth.Net
  [http://mentalhelp.net/](http://mentalhelp.net/)
- National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC)
  [www.naeyc.org](http://www.naeyc.org)
- National Association for Marriage & Family Therapy
  [www.aamft.org](http://www.aamft.org)
- National Association of Social Workers
  [www.naswdc.org](http://www.naswdc.org)
- National Child Care Information Center
  [http://nccic.org](http://nccic.org)
- National Opportunity NOCS
  [www.opportunitynoccs.org/](http://www.opportunitynoccs.org/)
- Nonprofit Career Network
  [www.nonprofitcareer.com/](http://www.nonprofitcareer.com/)
- SocialService.Com
  [www.socialservice.com/](http://www.socialservice.com/)
- SocialWorkers.org
  [www.socialworkers.org/](http://www.socialworkers.org/)
- Social Work Job Bank
  [www.socialworkjobbank.com](http://www.socialworkjobbank.com)
- The New Social Worker Online
  [www.socialworker.com](http://www.socialworker.com)