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Early Childhood Education

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This is a three year career program that provides the professional training needed to understand and promote children's learning and development.

Extensive fieldwork experiences provide students with an opportunity to combine theory with practical application. Students develop a caring, patient attitude, good organizational skills and a commitment to personal and professional excellence.

The two-year Fast Track Program is available for applicants who have already completed a DEC. Similar advanced standing is possible for those who have already completed an AEC in Early Childhood Care.

Interest in the childcare profession is growing rapidly, with high demand for competent, professional educators. The number of children being cared for in Nursery Schools, community pre-schools, and school age programs as well as CPEs (Centres de la Petite Enfance) has soared. Job opportunities are excellent.

What can I do after I graduate with a DEC in Early Childhood Education?

Graduates typically find jobs in CPEs (Centres de la Petite Enfance), licensed daycare centres, family home daycares, nursery schools, as well as school-age after-school programs.

The labour market for diploma graduates in Early Childhood Education has remained excellent for years and should remain so for some time to come. ECE graduates also go on to university studies in education, early childhood education and child studies.

Yes, it is possible to continue on to university studies from this program.

Graduates applying to university should consult with an Academic Advisor to know the prerequisites of the program they wish to apply to. Many ECE graduates go on to university studies in Education, Early Elementary Education and Child Studies.

Program Grid

SEMESTER 1

Introduction to the Early Childhood Education Profession
Nutrition for Children
Observing Children
Communication Skills for Educators
Psychology: Child Development 1
English
French
Humanities

SEMESTER 2

Day Care Health,
Safety and First Aid
Social Dynamics of the Early Childhood Environment
Introduction to Fieldwork
Psychology: Child Development 2
English
French
Humanities
Physical Education

SEMESTER 3

Fieldwork 1
Play Development in Early Childhood
The Creative Educator
Educational Strategies
Early Childhood Program Approaches 1
English
Physical Education
Complementary

SEMESTER 6

Organization of an Early Childhood Service
Fieldwork 3
Educational Program Design
Early Childhood Advocacy and Teamwork
Inclusion Issues in Early Childhood

SEMESTERS 4 AND 5

Fieldwork 2
Art in Early Childhood
Literature and Creative Drama in Early Childhood
Music, Motor Development and Creative Movement in Early Childhood
Science, Math, Social Studies and Health Education in Early Childhood
Introduction to the Administration of an E.C. Service
Sociology of the Family
English
Humanities
Complementary
Physical Education
Early Childhood Adaptation and Behaviour Problems
Early Childhood Program Approaches 2

Admission Requirements

Admission to the College is on the basis of the Quebec Secondary School Diploma (*Diplôme d'études secondaires*); or the Quebec Diploma of Vocational Education (*Diplôme d'études professionnelles*) with Secondary 5 first and second languages as well as Secondary 4 Mathematics; or equivalent scholarship completed outside the province.

Applicants for Early Childhood Education must provide a letter of intent. Childcare and volunteer experience with young children should be mentioned. An interview is possible.

Admissions Information:

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Website:

www.vaniercollege.qc.ca/ece
for more information including Course Descriptions
and Graduation and Academic standards

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Early Childhood Education program

