

Early Childhood Education



About this capstone certification	
The Early Childhood Education capstone certification is a comprehensive certification earned upon successful completion of the following required stackable certifications. This structure validates a candidate's skills across the core areas of the profession and demonstrates readiness for advanced roles.	
Required certification exams	Items
Exams may be completed in any order.	
Early Childhood Education 1	32
Early Childhood Education 2	30
Capstone certification description	
The Early Childhood Education capstone assesses candidates' ability to support and guide children's development using best practices in education. Early Childhood Education 1 introduces child-related careers, developmentally appropriate practices (DAP), curriculum design, and the integration of STEM in early learning—all aligned with preparation for the CDA. Early Childhood Education 2 builds on these concepts by evaluating candidates' ability to apply DAP in classroom instruction, teach lessons, create and maintain healthy environments, and foster positive relationships with children. Together, these certifications provide the foundation for professional readiness in early childhood education and progression toward nationally recognized credentials.	