

# Preschool

## Technical Diploma

Start on your path to a Preschool technical diploma. This industry-recognized diploma provides the skills necessary for entry-level employment in the field and all courses apply to the next level of degree. The diploma consists of eight courses for a total of 24 credits. Individuals who complete this diploma are eligible to submit a portfolio of their competencies to The Registry; Wisconsin's Recognition System for the Child Care and Education Profession and apply for the Wisconsin Preschool Professional Credential awarded by that agency. This certificate articulates with the Nicolet College Early Childhood Education Associate Degree.

## Program Outline

TERM 1		
Course #	Course Title	Credits
1030710800	<b>ECE Early Language and Literacy</b> This 3-credit course explores strategies to encourage the development of early language and literacy knowledge and skill building in children birth to 8 years of age. Prerequisite: 1030716600 ECE Curriculum Planning (C or better).	3.00
1030714800	<b>ECE Foundations of Early Childhood Ed</b> This 3-credit course introduces the early childhood profession through a historical overview of the field. The course will explore program trends, quality indicators, and developmentally appropriate practices for children birth to age 8.	3.00
1030716700	<b>ECE Health Safety and Nutrition</b> This 3-credit course examines the topics of health, safety, and nutrition within the context of the early childhood educational setting. This course includes training for Abusive Head Trauma, SIDS, and Mandated Reporter certifications.	3.00
TERM 2		
Course #	Course Title	Credits
1030711000	<b>ECE Soc S Art and Music</b> This 3-credit course will focus on beginning level curriculum development in the specific integrated content areas of social studies, art, music, & movement (SSAMM). Prerequisite: 1030716600 ECE Curriculum Planning (C or better).	3.00
1030717900	<b>ECE Child Development</b> Description The 3-credit course examines child development within the context of the early childhood education setting. This course focuses on children ages 3 -8 years.	3.00
1030718800	<b>ECE Guiding Child Behavior</b> This 3-credit course examines positive strategies to guide children's behavior in the early childhood education setting. This course meets the requirements of the Wisconsin Pyramid Model training.	3.00
1030716000	<b>ECE Field Experience 1</b> In this 3-credit introductory field experience course, you will be introduced to the foundations of early childhood education under guided supervision of a mentor teacher in an early childhood setting, working with children birth through age 8. This course meets the requirements for the Wisconsin Model Early Learning Standards 18-hour training. Prerequisite: 1030716700 ECE Health Safety and Nutrition (C or better).	3.00

**Total Credits: 21.00**

Talk with a Success Coach about the program outline. Together, you will determine if credits you've already earned satisfy any requirements, discuss possible alternative courses, and choose the best classes if you're thinking of transferring.

## At A Glance

### How You'll Learn

### Term Start Dates

**Summer 2024:** May 6

**Fall 2024:** August 26

**Spring 2025:** January 13

Start dates represent the beginning of a new term. Certain programs or courses may not be available to start every term. Please view the [course schedules](#) for a list of upcoming classes or contact the Welcome Center at 715-365-4493.

[VIEW FULL ACADEMIC CALENDAR](#)

### Program Tuition\*

**\$3,473**

### Books & Supplies\*

**\$201**

\*Total cost for degree completion is estimated by current course requirements, books, and supplies. Tuition and fees are set by the Wisconsin Technical College System and subject to change.

Financial Aid Eligible

► [Potential Indirect Costs](#)

### What You'll Learn

- Identify the relationship between child development theory to practice
- Develop positive relationships with children and adults
- Implement developmentally appropriate curriculum

- Utilize health, safety, and nutrition practices

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## Your Potential Careers

- Preschool Teacher
- Preschool Teacher Assistant
- Head Start Teacher Assistant

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## Median Annual Salary

\$22,104	\$24,677	\$25,641
Local	State	National

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## Get Started

Your application can be submitted online, it takes just a few minutes to complete.

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