WHEN ARE CLASSES OFFERED?

Classes are offered during the day, evening and weekends during the fall, spring and summer semesters. Consult the schedule of classes for current information. Classes are offered at the DVC Pleasant Hill and San Ramon campuses.

How long will it take to earn a degree or certificate?

Generally, students take two years to complete the associate degree and the courses required for the certificate. The length of time will vary depending on the individual student’s goals and the certificates desired.

For more information:
contact the early childhood education professional development program at 925-969-2393

or visit www.dvc.edu/programs

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Why study early childhood education?

Research reveals that the capacity to learn in the early years is astonishing. Early development occurs at a rate that exceeds any other stage of life. Warm and supportive relationships combined with meaningful educational experiences pave the way for future success in school and life.

Early childhood education students gain interpersonal relationship skills with children, families and colleagues while completing an in-depth study of child development theory and practice. This is an exciting time to begin a career with young children. The need for quality early learning programs is increasing, creating opportunities for well-prepared professionals. The demand for early childhood education professionals is great and is expected to remain high.

What can I do with my ECE/CD certificate/degree?

Some of the positions held by early childhood professionals are:

- ECE teacher
- site supervisor
- program director
- curriculum coordinator
- mentor teacher
- resource and referral professional
- school-age program teacher
- recreation program leaders
- family child care owner
- mental health or special education paraprofessional
- child and family advocate

“I really think that a well-prepared teacher who understands and respects all children as unique and capable learners can make a difference in their lives.”

Ana Gutierrez - ECE-Student teacher and parent of child attending Diablo Valley College Lab School