

# EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION - ALTERNATE DELIVERY (ECAD)

## Ontario College Diploma | 5 Semesters | Barrydowne and Distance Study

This program is offered in an alternate delivery format geared specifically to those who are currently working in the field of early childhood education (must be working for a minimum of six months full time, directly with children). This unique alternate delivery program is the only one of this type in Ontario and allows you to complete your diploma while continuing to work in the field.

As a student in Early Childhood Education at Cambrian College, you will have the opportunity to develop the knowledge and skills necessary for the field of early learning and child care. Your studies will blend the theory of child growth and development with practical application experiences in the field. Through interactive classroom experiences, you will design, plan, implement, and evaluate play-based learning for young children from birth to twelve years of age.

The program will prepare you to work with and support the diverse needs of the children and families you will encounter in your future work. You will build a foundation of understanding that children learn through play. This learning approach combined with a culturally-relevant environment will reflect that children are curious, capable, and competent.

This program includes on-site learning, online learning, and facilitated learning. Course credits and/or previous work experience may qualify you to receive Cambrian course credits through our Prior Learning Assessment and Recognition process.

### Program Highlights

- 5 semesters – 2 years
- Compressed course delivery
- Combination of facilitated distance study and intensive on-campus sessions
- Continue to work while completing courses
- The only alternate delivery program of this type in Ontario

### Fieldwork/Placement

Field placements are an important component of the program. Since you will already have work experience coming into the program, an individualized placement plan will be developed for you.

### Registration to Practice – Early Childhood Education Designation

Persons who wish to work within the College of Early Childhood Educator's scope of practice must apply for registration with the College of Early Childhood Educators. A requirement to apply for registration is possession of an Early Childhood Education diploma from an Ontario College of Applied Arts and Technology. It is the responsibility of the graduate to register with the College of Early Childhood Educators.

### Quick Links

How to Apply (<http://cambriancollege.ca/apply>)

Community Services (<http://cambriancollege.ca/field-of-study/community-services>)

### Admission Requirements

For graduates of the new curriculum (OSS): Ontario Secondary School Diploma (30 credits) or equivalent or mature student status, including:

- Any grade 12 English (C), (U), or (M)

Recommended:

- Any grade 11 or 12 family studies (C), (U), or (M)
- Computer competency in relevant software

### Additional Requirements

- Two-step TB test
- Standard First Aid Certificate (prior to second field placement)
- Vulnerable Sector Check is required prior to field placements
- Record of up-to-date immunizations
- A note from a physician indicating freedom from communicable diseases and fit to work with young children

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### Program Delivery

#### 2017-2018

This program will be delivered in the following terms:

##### Winter Term Start

1. SEMESTER 1 Winter 2018
2. SEMESTER 2 Spring 2018
3. SEMESTER 3 Fall 2018
4. SEMESTER 4 Winter 2019
5. SEMESTER 5 Spring 2019

#### 2018-2019

This program will be delivered in the following terms:

##### Fall Term Start

1. SEMESTER 1 Fall 2018
2. SEMESTER 2 Winter 2019
3. SEMESTER 3 Fall 2019
4. SEMESTER 4 Winter 2020
5. SEMESTER 5 Spring 2020

For specific term start/end dates and other key dates/deadlines, please see the Academic Schedule (<http://cambriancollege.ca/apply/how-to-apply/academic-schedule>) on our website.

### Program of Study

#### Semester 1

ECE 1050

Health Nutrition

Credits

3

|   |                                     |    |
|---|-------------------------------------|----|
| ECE 1120  | Child growth development            | 3  |
| ECE 1115  | Intro Early Childhood Education     | 3  |
| ECE 1130  | Field Seminar I                     | 1  |
| ECE 1140  | The Creative Environment - Learning | 3  |
| ENG 1002  | College Communications              | 3  |
| ISP 1046  | Introduction to Computers           | 1  |
| PSY 1050  | Introduction To Psychology I        | 3  |
| Term Credits:                                   |                                     | 20 |
| <b>Semester 2</b>                               |                                     |    |
| ECE 1201  | Curriculum Planning I               | 3  |
| ECE 1205  | Observation and Documentation       | 3  |
| ECE 1230  | Field Seminar II                    | 1  |
| ECE 1239  | Field Practicum II                  | 6  |
| ECE 1295  | Child Guidance                      | 3  |
| One of the following General Education courses: |                                     | 3  |
| BUS 1008  | Personal Finance                    | 3  |
| SOC 1007  | Intro to Indigenous Studies         | 3  |
| SSC 1000  | Media and Current Events            | 3  |
| Term Credits:                                   |                                     | 19 |
| <b>Semester 3</b>                               |                                     |    |
| ECE 2040  | Culturally Relevant Practice        | 3  |
| ECE 2301  | Curriculum Planning II              | 3  |
| ECE 2320  | Infant Care                         | 3  |
| ECE 2330  | Field Seminar III                   | 1  |
| ECE 2339  | Field Practicum III                 | 4  |
| Term Credits:                                   |                                     | 14 |
| <b>Semester 4</b>                               |                                     |    |
| ECE 2395  | Family Liaison                      | 3  |
| ECE 2450  | Inclusive Theory Practices          | 3  |
| ECE 2455  | Program for the School Age Child    | 4  |
| ENG 1700  | Communications II                   | 3  |
| One of the following General Education courses: |                                     | 3  |
| BUS 1008  | Personal Finance                    | 3  |
| PSY 1125  | Positive Psychology                 | 3  |
| SCI 1001  | Human Sexuality                     | 3  |
| SOC 1007  | Intro to Indigenous Studies         | 3  |
| SSC 1000  | Media and Current Events            | 3  |
| Term Credits:                                   |                                     | 16 |
| <b>Semester 5</b>                               |                                     |    |
| ECE 1012  | Leadership in ECE                   | 3  |
| ECE 1013  | Child Abuse                         | 3  |
| ECE 2315  | Curriculum Models In ECE            | 3  |
| ECE 2430  | Field Seminar IV                    | 1  |
| ECE 2439  | Field Practicum IV                  | 6  |
| One of the following General Education courses: |                                     | 3  |
| PSY 1125  | Positive Psychology                 | 3  |
| SCI 1001  | Human Sexuality                     | 3  |
| Term Credits:                                   |                                     | 19 |
| Total Credits:                                  |                                     | 88 |

## Fees

### Tuition and Ancillary Fees

Please see our fees page (<http://cambriancollege.ca/fees>) for the breakdown of tuition and mandatory ancillary fees by program and semester for both domestic and international students

### Books & Supplies

The cost of books and supplies for Year 1 is approximately \$2,000. This is the best information available at the time of publishing to the website and is subject to change.

## Graduate Options

### Employment Opportunities

Graduates may find career opportunities as Early Childhood Educators working with a variety of age groups including infants, toddlers, preschoolers, and school age children in:

- Child care centres
- Best Start Hubs
- Full Day kindergarten classrooms

Graduates may also find employment:

- In agencies that provide services to young children and their families
- Licensed Home Child Care Visitors
- Child and family resource worker

## College/University Degree Opportunities

Graduates from this program may continue their studies at college/university and may receive credit for their prior College education.

Refer to College/University Agreements (<http://www.cambriancollege.ca/agreements>) for further information.

## Contacts

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