

# Early Childhood Education (ECED) Ontario College Diploma PART-TIME ONLINE

## Frequently Asked Questions

### Do I need to apply?

Part-time students must apply to this program through [ontariocolleges.ca](http://ontariocolleges.ca)  
Use the code ECEO. (This is the program code on OCAS.)

### When can I start the program?

Intakes: September

### How many courses do I take?

Full program details can be viewed on the [Program Outline](#).

Graduation requirements

21 Mandatory Courses

2 Communications Courses

3 General Education Courses

2 Field Placements

### What does online mean?

The online courses listed in the [Delivery](#) Schedule document displays when courses are offered online *asynchronous* which means no live classes. You can log in to the course whenever it works best for you. Most courses have weekly deadlines you will have to meet. Classes are delivered combining self-directed lectures, group discussions and virtual instructor support.

**NOTE: two courses require you to attend in-person at Georgian College Orillia campus. The in-person is one Saturday (6 hours). Both courses are in the Fall semester and are noted on the Delivery Schedule. These two courses are online with the exception of the Saturday in-person day.**

For the other online courses, you will not be required to be on campus for any part of the course – all lectures, tests, exams are online.

## Can I do my Field Placement close to my home? Yes

The two field placements required for this program must be completed in-person.

Students are responsible for contacting the placement office to indicate their intent to go on placement. Approval of a placement may take some time. Students are encouraged to begin plans for the field placement at least one semester in advance of when they intend to complete a field placement. Depending on the agency, placement approvals may take several months. For this program, students must be under the supervision of a person with sufficient credentials, such as a Registered Early Childhood Educator in a regulated Early Learning Environment.

Be prepared for your Field Placement – review the pre-requisite courses and the additional requirements you must meet. You can find this information in the Field Placement document and on the program outline. Please refer to the [Field Placement](#) document found on the website for more detailed information.

NOTE: prior learning assessment and recognition (PLAR) MAY be approved for placements. Review the Field Placement document for more information.

## What is the cost of the program?

There is no program fee when studying part-time.

As a part-time student, you can take 1, 2 or 3 courses at a time in any given semester.

Payment is per course, as you register. The course fees change year-to-year and course to course.

The best source for accurate fees is to check the website:

<https://www.georgiancollege.ca/academics/part-time-studies/programs/early-childhood-education-eced/>

See screenshot below.

**Early Childhood Education**

Program Code: ECED  
Credential: Ontario College Diploma

**Program requirements**

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Please see our course listings of available [General Education](#) and [Communications](#) courses for this program.

**Program Description**  
In this program, students learn to facilitate the development of children from birth to 12 years while encouraging their feelings of self-worth and social-emotional resiliency. Students design and implement play-based experiences, focusing on children's interests through indoor and outdoor play opportunities. Students learn the importance of being responsive caregivers while respecting diversity, identity and the rights of children and families. Partnerships with families, other professionals, and community programs form the foundation of working in the field of early learning and care. Field placements provide students with the opportunity to practice the knowledge and skills as they engage with children and adults. Students are offered a unique balance between theoretical knowledge and practical experience.

**Current Course Offerings**

COURSE TITLE	COURSE CODE	ONTARIOLEARN EQUIVALENTS	MANDATORY
<a href="#">Child Dev 0-12</a>	ECED 1012	<a href="#">Child Development 1 (ODE)</a>	✓
<a href="#">Child Dev Inclusivity</a>	ECED 2021		✓
<a href="#">Children's Health / Wellness</a>	ECED 1025		✓
<a href="#">Ethics and Advocacy for ECE</a>	ECED 2025		✓

Click on Course name to view fees and schedule

Each course listed links to course sections with fees. See screenshot below.

## Child Dev 0-12

### ECED 1012

This course provides students with a theoretical knowledge of developmental principles from conception to five years of age. An understanding of milestones within the areas of physical, motor, social, personal, emotional, cognitive, language and moral development will be reinforced. An emphasis will also be placed on current research finding related to child development

#### Credits

3

#### Course Hours

42

Students registering for credit courses for the first time must declare a program at the point of registration. Declaring a program does not necessarily mean students must complete a program, individual courses may be taken for skill improvement and upgrading.

For more information, please [contact Continuing Education](#)

#### Available Courses

Unless stated, the course fee does NOT include the textbook(s). Not all courses have required textbooks. See [registration dates](#) for courses that are not yet open.

CHILD DEV 0-6 - ECED 1012

Fee: \$344.40

Course registration number: 31061

Start: Monday, May 8, 2023

End: Friday, Aug. 18, 2023

#### Class times

Days	Times	Building - Room
Wednesday	2:00 to 4:50 p.m.	M - C111

Campus: Orillia

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**PLEASE NOTE:** course section details (like fees/start/end) only show while registration is open. **Fall 2023** courses will appear on the website when **registration opens on August 21, 2023.**

### How do I know which courses to take?

We have set a schedule up for you – review the Delivery Schedule posted on the program page:

If you are unable to follow the Delivery Schedule, please connect with the program coordinator, Chiara Johnson.

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### How long will it take to complete the diploma?

Following the Delivery Schedule:

4.5 years or 14 semesters

Fall-Winter-Summer-Fall-Winter-Summer-Fall-Winter-Summer-Fall-Winter-Summer-Fall-Winter

### **Can I transfer credits/use prior learning to fast track?**

If you have significant work experience you can review our PLAR opportunities:

<https://www.georgiancollege.ca/admissions/credit-transfer/>

If you have taken post-secondary at another institution, you may be eligible for credit transfer and/or prior learning recognition (for example, Communications and General Education courses).

If you have taken courses at Georgian in the past and they qualify for this program, they will automatically apply to your credential. You will see these courses in MyPath.

### **Are part-time students eligible for OSAP?**

Part-time students MAY be eligible – this is individual and based usually on number of courses you take per semester. For more information, visit our Financial Aid page:

<https://www.georgiancollege.ca/finance-and-fees/osap-financial-aid/>

### **Wondering if studying online asynchronously is right for you?**

If you are wondering whether studying online is right for you – review the information at the links below as it may be helpful!

<https://ecampusontario.pressbooks.pub/learnonline/chapter/chapter-1/>

<https://studyonline.ca/resources/study-online-tips/>

### **QUESTIONS? We are here to help!**

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