The Early Childhood Assistant Certificate Program prepares students to meet the requirements established by the national credentialing agency, the Council for Early Childhood Professional Recognition, which leads to the Child Development Associate (CDA) credential in a center based infant/toddler setting or a family care setting. This certificate program responds to the current need for trained practitioners in infant through early childhood learning centers due to the increased demand for childcare among a growing number of families. It provides the educational foundation for a person who seeks to become a home childcare provider. Upon successful completion of the Early Childhood Care Assistant Certificate Program, students will be able to continue their studies in Bronx Community College's Education Associate A.A.S. Degree Program, and all of the certificate course credits will be accepted for this A.A.S. degree.

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Early Childhood Assistant
30 Credits required for Certificate

Semester I
- PSY 11 Introduction to Psychology (3 Credits)
- ENG 10 Fundamentals of Composition and Rhetoric OR ENG 11 Composition and Rhetoric I (3 Credits)
- HLT 91 Critical Issues in Health (2 Credits)
- EDU 10 Child Study - Birth to Grade 6 (3 Credits)
- EDU 24 Pre-school Seminar I (3 Credits)
- FREE ELECTIVE (1 Credit)

TOTAL 15

Semester II
- COMM 11 Fundamentals of Interpersonal Communication (3 Credits)
- PSY 41 Psychology of Infancy and Childhood (3 Credits)
- EDU 25 Pre-school Seminar II (3 Credits)
- EDU 30 Introduction to Special Needs, Schools and Society (3 Credits)
- EDU 40 Field Work Seminar (3 Credits)

TOTAL 15

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