




**Aims Community College  
Early Childhood Education  
Postsecondary Plan of Study**

	<b>Pathway: Human Services</b>	<b>Plan of Study: Early Childhood Education</b> <i>Web ID 3707 &amp; 3715</i>
<p><b>Career Goal (O*Net Code):</b> (Click the occupational title to access education, skills, and employment outlook information)</p> <p><a href="#">Education Preschool and Child Care Center, Administrators</a> (11-9031.00)</p> <p><a href="#">Teacher Assistants</a> (25-9041.00)*</p> <p><a href="#">Child Care Workers</a> (39-9011.00)*</p> <p><a href="#">Preschool Teachers</a> (25-2011.00)*</p> <p>* High Demand Career</p> <p><a href="#">Aims Education Web Site</a></p>		<p><b>Relevant Occupational Experience</b></p> <p><b>Pathway Overview:</b> This diverse Career Cluster prepares individuals for employment in career pathways related to families and human needs.</p> <p><b>Relevant Skills</b> – Monitoring, Service Orientation, Speaking, Critical Thinking, Social Perceptiveness, Judgment and Decision Making, Time Management</p> <p><a href="#">CCCS Credit for Prior Learning Guide</a></p> <p>Aims <a href="#">Assessment</a> for <a href="#">Credit for Prior Learning</a> assistance</p> <p><b>Related Occupations:</b> <a href="#">Child Care Workers</a></p>

**Possible Pathways to your Career!**

	Programs Available	Program Length (*Based on meeting Program Entrance Requirements)	Estimated Tuition (in-district)	Career Options	Salary Range
Certificate Option(s)	<a href="#">Child Care Center Director</a> <a href="#">Early Childhood Education</a> <a href="#">Great Beginnings</a> <a href="#">Group Leader</a> <a href="#">Infant/Toddler Candidate</a> <a href="#">Infant/Toddler Care</a> <a href="#">Preschool Candidate</a>	25 credits (2 Sem) 28 credits (2-3 Sem) 10 credits (2-3 Sem) 19 credits (2 Sem) 10 credits (3-4 Sem) 10 credits (3-4 Sem) 13 credits (1 Sem)	\$2150 \$2397.2 \$869.00 \$1655.60 \$869.00 \$869.00 \$1157.40	Teacher Assistant, Paraprofessional, Instructional Assistant, Special Education Teaching Assistant, Special Education Paraprofessional, Teacher Aide, Paraeducator, Teaching Assistant, Special Education Aide, Special Education Instructional Assistant, Child Care Worker, Child Care Provider, Child Caregiver, Infant and Toddler Teacher, Infant Teacher, Toddler Teacher, Before and After School Daycare Worker, Child Care Teacher, Teacher Assistant	\$\$\$



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Associate Degree(s)	<a href="#">Early Childhood Education</a>	64-67 credits (4 Sem)	\$5384-5582	Director, Preschool Director, Administrator, Site Coordinator, Executive Director, Child Care Director, Childcare Director, Early Head Start Director, Education Coordinator, Education Director	\$-\$\$\$
Statewide Articulation Agreement, Articulations with Loveland Thompson School, District, Greeley/Evans Weld District 6 & Career Development Center. Students can take classes under Concurrent Enrollment or PSEO.				<a href="#">How to get Articulation Credit</a>	
Articulation Opportunities to Advanced Degrees:					
Advanced Degree(s)	Early Childhood Education and Teaching Kindergarten/Preschool Education and Teaching	120+ credits	<a href="#">CCU</a> <a href="#">Fort Lewis</a> <a href="#">Naropa</a> <a href="#">Regis</a> <a href="#">UNC</a>		

\* \$ = \$15-25,000; \$\$ = \$25-55,000; \$\$\$ = \$55-90,000; \$\$\$\$ = Above \$90,000

Placement Trends 08-09: Early Childhood Education	16 completers	*R 75%	*NE 25%	*R related occupation *Not Employed
The 3 year median loan debt incurred by program completers	<i>(Needs to be calculated by Student Financial Aid)</i>			
<a href="#">CollegeInColorado's SLOPE Calculator</a>	SLOPE calculates your estimated monthly payment for student loans and compares it to your projected earnings for your career choice. The results will indicate how much you can borrow comfortably based upon your career.			
<a href="#">College Tuition Comparison Guide</a>	Compare Colleges Resident and Non-resident tuition and fees.			



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**Extended Learning Experiences**

**Support Services:**

[Services for Students](#) – Academic Support, Advising, Bookstore, Campus Technology, Career Center, E-Cashier, Disability Services, Fitness Facilities, Financial Aid, Library, Learning Commons, Student Life, Student Success Center, Testing Center, Tutoring & Supplemental Instruction.

**Financial Aid:**

[General Financial Aid Information](#) – Aims Community College offers a wide variety of financial aid programs and services to help you meet your educational costs including Federal & State Grants, Scholarships, Work-Study Program

**Professional Affiliations**

Needs to be supplied by department



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**Selected Web Resources**

[Clearinghouse on Early Education and Parenting](#)  
[Early Childhood.com](#)  
[Education Planet](#)  
[Education World](#)  
[Educator's Reference Desk](#)  
[ERIC-Educational Resources Information Center](#)  
[Gateway to Educational Materials](#)  
[Library of Congress. The Learning Page](#)  
[Medline Plus. Child Safety](#)  
[National Association for the Education of Young Children \(NAEYC\)](#)  
[National Child Care Information and Technical Assistance Center \(NCCIC\)](#)  
[National Child Care Information Center](#)  
[National Resource Center for Health and Safety in Child Care and Early Education \(NRC\)](#)  
[Zoom School](#)  
[Occupational Outlook Handbook – Child Care Workers](#)  
[Occupational Outlook Handbook – Teachers—Preschool, Kindergarten, Elementary, Middle, and Secondary](#)

**Practical Learning Experiences:**

Students take ECE 102 with lab experiences in observation and documentation and in teaching a planned lesson. ECE 180, Internship I, ECE 261, Exceptional Child Lab, ECE 280, Internship II, and ECE 125, 226 & 228 all have experience with planning, implementing and evaluating planned lessons.

Aims Community College is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission and a member of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools.

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*\*\* It is strongly recommended that if students are intending to transfer to a four-year institution, they consult with the transfer institution to determine transferability of their Aims Community College courses.*

*\*\*\* This document is a guide only. It does not act as a legally binding contract.*

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