# **EARN COLLEGE CREDIT**

## **DUAL CREDIT**

During their senior year, students can participate in the Tech Prep Dual Credit Program at Elgin Community College (ECC) during the school day and receive both high school and college credit. Enrollment in this program is limited, and an application is required. The school district pays for tuition at ECC; students must pay for required supplies, fees, and some textbooks.

ECC offers Tech Prep Dual Credit classes in over 20 career and technical areas. Industryrecognized certification is available in a number of high-demand areas.

## **ARTICULATED CREDIT**

A number of D300 courses are linked with ECC courses and students may earn college credit for these high school courses by enrolling at ECC after graduation.

Each articulated high school course is the equivalent of an ECC course and meets ECC's learning objectives and task competencies. To receive college credit, students must:

- Complete the articulated high school course with a final grade average of "B" or better each semester.
- Enroll in a degree-seeking program at ECC in the fall semester following graduation (or within 27 months of high school graduation). The high school graduate is entitled to ECC college credit and to accelerated placement at Elgin Community College.

# **POTENTIAL CAREERS**

This pathway is designed for students planning to work with young children as a career. Possible careers include working as a daycare provider, working in an early childhood center, or becoming an early childhood or preschool teacher.





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# For more information: www.d300.org/pathways

# EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION AND DEVELOPMENT Pathway

@ Hampshire & Dundee-Crown High School

**DISTRICT 300** 

# A PATHWAY TO Success in College and career

FOUR YEAR SEQUENCE: RECOMMENDED COURSES Designed to begin in 9th grade; please see a counselor for more detailed information about this sequence of courses.

#### **FRESHMAN YEAR**

#### Child Development 1 (7851)

Learn techniques for working with newborn to three-year-old children. Discover the importance of infants and toddlers physical, cognitive, social, and emotional development.

#### **SOPHOMORE YEAR**

#### Child Development 2 (7852)

Focus on the growth of four-year-old to nine-yearold children. Explore areas of physical, emotional, social, and intellectual development while learning about careers related to the childcare field.

#### **JUNIOR YEAR**

#### Child Development 3 (7853)

Evaluate the influence of caregivers and society or a child's development. Plan, prepare, and present developmentally appropriate activities in music, art, math, science, nutrition, language, and social development.

#### D300 Internship Program (6869 / 6870)

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#### **SENIOR YEAR**

#### ECC Tech Prep Dual Credit Program

Earn college credit while selecting classes that focus on over 20 career and technical fields and provide industry certification opportunities. You wil attend Elgin Community College either all or part of the day. District 300 strives to ensure every student is college and career ready upon graduation. Our pathway programs provide students with the skills to obtain an entry-level job upon graduation and the knowledge to be successful in a college classroom.

**THREE YEAR SEQUENCE: RECOMMENDED COURSES** Designed to begin in 10th grade; please see a counselor for more detailed information about this sequence of courses.

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#### ADDITIONAL ELECTIVE COURSES TO CONSIDER:

Educational Methodology Foundations of Teaching Introduction to Business Psychology Public Speaking

## COURSES RELATED TO THIS PATHWAY OFFERED In the ECC tech prep program:

Curriculum Planning/Young Child Development of Young Children Health and Nutrition for Young Children Introduction to Early Childhood Education

# EXAMPLES OF REGIONAL Post-secondary degrees

#### **ASSOCIATE'S DEGREE (2 YEARS)**

Associate in Arts (University Transfer Degree Program)

Elgin Community College

#### **BACHELOR'S DEGREE (4 YEARS)**

#### **Bachelor of Arts in Early Childhood Education**

Aurora University Judson University Northern Illinois Universit

### MASTER'S DEGREE (BACHELOR'S PLUS 2+ YEARS)

Educational Leadership or Master of Arts in Curriculum and Instruction

Aurora University Northern Illinois University