

you have a
right to be **Proud**

HCC's Early Childhood Education program is recognized throughout the Hawaiian Islands for its high standards in preparing teachers and caregivers to work with young children. Our graduates are lead teachers, infant/toddler caregivers, family support specialists, parent/child educators, after school program leaders, and educational assistants.



where will you
from here? **Go**

Among the many career opportunities, early childhood educators work in private pre-schools and childcare centers; for Head Start; the Department of Education; military child development programs, and as owners of their own family care businesses. In center-based programs, the average hourly wage is \$10 for assistant teachers and \$12 for teachers.

Enhance career satisfaction by working in a profession you enjoy. Males are considered nontraditional in the field of Early Childhood Education and may be eligible for a tuition waiver.



you can get
more **Info** on the ECE
program

- www.honolulu.hawaii.edu
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- Applications and admissions: phone (808) 845-9129
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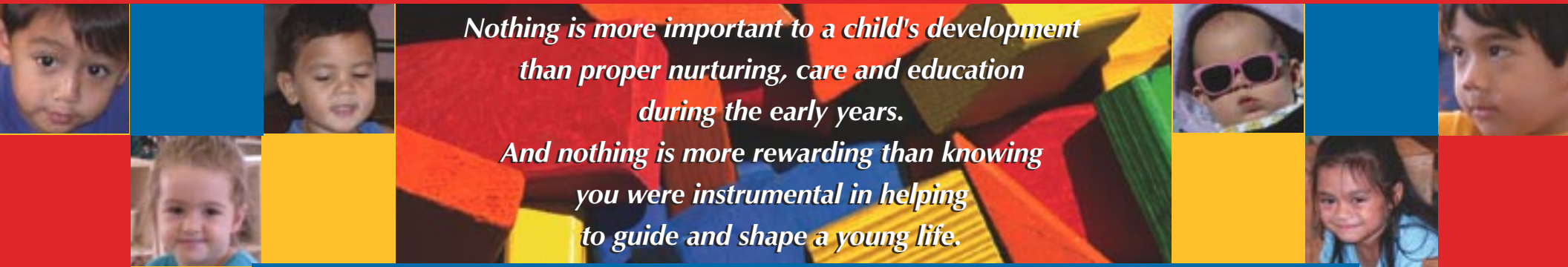
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Nothing is more important to a child's development than proper nurturing, care and education during the early years.

And nothing is more rewarding than knowing you were instrumental in helping to guide and shape a young life.

what is **Unique** about our program?

Research shows that young children must have good teachers and caregivers from the very start if they are to be confident, secure adults. This early care and education also helps them to be more successful throughout their total educational cycle, from elementary school through high school and beyond.

As the only UH teacher training program on Oahu that focuses exclusively on children from birth to age eight, HCC's Early Childhood Education (ECE) program is the primary source of these "good teachers and caregivers." Hands-on learning is a hallmark of this pace-setting program, including direct experience working with children from the very first semester.

what else is unique **Essential** about this program?

You will have the opportunity in ECE, to work alongside master teachers in the excellent Children's Centers that HCC operates at HCC, Kapiolani, and Leeward Community Colleges, as well as in outstanding programs within the community.

For your convenience, courses in ECE are offered in the evenings as well as during the day. This allows our working students to complete the major portion of degree work at night.

Working students also may use four of the program's beginning courses to meet part of the requirement for the Child Development Associate credential (CDA), which is the minimum requirement for teachers in licensed early childhood programs.



look at what **Learn** you will

Children learn best through play and experiences planned by knowledgeable and skilled teachers. The ECE program has been designed to support this proven principle. It is based upon national standards and the 10 areas of the Hawaii ASK (Attitudes, Knowledge, Skill) standards for early Childhood Educators.

This includes:

- Growth and Development
- Diversity
- Health, Safety, and Nutrition
- Learning Environment
- Working with Families
- Professionalism
- Observation and Assessment
- Relationships and Guidance
- Planning Learning Experiences
- Program Management

is the ECE program **Right** for you?*

In addition, do you believe that childhood is a unique and valuable stage of human development; that families must be involved in children's learning; that children with disabilities deserve equal opportunities for early childhood education; and that relationships with children as well as with adults, must be based upon trust and respect?

It is vital that in planning a career in working with young children, you have the commitment to certain basic goals and the necessary qualifications.

Do you have:

- The desire to nurture, teach and spend "fun time" with children
- Emotional health and stability
- Physical strength adequate to lift and carry children
- The ability to get along well with others, adults as well as children
- The ability to solve problems
- The ability to communicate clearly orally and in writing and/or the willingness to learn
- The ability to read and understand complex information related to Early Childhood Education

**reasonable accommodations are made for students with documented disabilities*

