

# Early Childhood Education Pathway

EXPERIENCE. SUCCESS. ONE STACKABLE CREDENTIAL AT A TIME.



## Group Child Care

### Essentials

(Pending Advisory Committee and WTCS Approval)  
Pathway Certificate

### CAMPUS

Online (In-person and/or Online)

### CREDITS 6

### ESTIMATED 2020-2021

#### TUITION

\$TBD

### POTENTIAL CAREERS

Child Care Teacher, Assistant  
Child Care Teacher

### POTENTIAL STARTING WAGES

\$10.00-\$11.58/hourly; Average of  
\$10.79/hourly

## Preschool Education Professional (The Registry Preschool Credential)

Pathway Certificate  
(part time option available)

### CAMPUS

Online (In-Person and/or  
Online + Community-Based  
Student Teaching)

### CREDITS 18

Only 12 of the 18 credits  
remain upon successful  
completion of the Child Care  
Basics Pathway Certificate

### ESTIMATED 2020-2021

#### TUITION

\$2,697

### POTENTIAL CAREERS

*Upon completion of this  
certificate you will be ready for  
careers in:*

Child Care Centers, Family  
Child Care Homes, Preschool  
or Nursery Schools,  
Head Start Programs,  
Pre-Kindergarten, Early  
Intervention Programs

*Typical Positions Include:*

Child Care Teacher, Assistant  
Child Care Teacher, Family  
Child Care Provider

Additional Credential Avail-  
able Online:

Professional Credential for  
Infant/Toddlers (Wisconsin)

## E-Connect - Child Care Services

Technical Diploma (one-year)  
(part time options available)

### CAMPUS

Online (In-person and/or Online  
+ Community-Based Student  
Teaching)

### CREDITS 27

Only 9 of the 27 credits remain upon  
successful completion of the  
Preschool Education Professional  
(The Registry Preschool Credential)  
Pathway Certificate

Only 21 of 27 credits remain upon  
successful completion of the Child  
Care Basics Pathway Certificate

### ESTIMATED 2020-2021 TUITION

\$4,313

### Financial Aid Eligible

### POTENTIAL CAREERS

Child Care Teacher, Child Care  
Assistant Teacher, Family Child Care  
Provider, Infant or Toddler Caregiver,  
Au Pair/Nanny, Early Childhood  
Special Needs Assistant, Program  
Director / Administrator, Public  
School Teacher Aide / Assistant,  
Head Start Teacher / Assistant

### RANGE OF YEARLY SALARY

\$15,924 to \$36,000 annually\*\*

### WITC 2019 GRADUATES\*\*

Employed Within 6 Months: 97%  
Average Yearly Salary: \$26,127

## Early Childhood Education & E-Child

Associate Degree (two-year)  
(part time options available)

### CAMPUSES

New Richmond, Rice Lake, Superior,  
Online (+ Community-Based  
Student Teaching)

### CREDITS 60

Only 33 of the 60 credits remain  
upon successful completion of the  
E-Connect - Child Care Services  
Technical Diploma

Only 42 of the 60 credits remain  
upon successful completion of the  
Preschool Education Professional  
(The Registry Preschool Credential)  
Pathway Certificate

Only 54 of 60 credits remain upon  
successful completion of the Child  
Care Basics Pathway Certificate

### ESTIMATED 2020-2021 TUITION

\$9,123 to \$9,723

### Financial Aid Eligible

### POTENTIAL CAREERS

Child Care Teacher, Preschool  
Teacher, Family Child Care Provider,  
Infant or Toddler Caregiver, Early  
Childhood Special Needs Assistant,  
Public School Teacher Aide /  
Assistant, Head Start Teacher  
/ Assistant, Program Director /  
Administrator, Au Pair/Nanny

### RANGE OF YEARLY SALARY

\$15,000 to \$35,357 annually\*\*

### WITC 2019 GRADUATES\*\*

Employed Within 6 Months 97%  
Average Yearly Salary \$24,555

## BEYOND WITC

### Transfer Options

UW Oshkosh+  
UW River Falls+  
UW Stevens Point+  
UW Stout+  
UW Superior+  
UW Whitewater+  
Concordia University  
Franklin University  
Lakeland University+  
Milwaukee School of Engineering

### Important Notes on Transferring:

- Check out [wisc.edu/transfer](http://wisc.edu/transfer) for details on specific agreements listed below
- The colleges listed above have developed a Technical Diploma/ Associate Degree to Bachelor Degree Articulation Agreement with WITC
- + These colleges have developed an agreement directly related to the Early Childhood Education Program and/or similar programs such as Elementary Education and Human Development & Family Studies
- To learn how your education, or previous college credits, will transfer, talk to a transfer coordinator, at any of our four year colleges listed, to learn how to maximize your credit transfer opportunities
- Transferology, [www.transferology.com](http://www.transferology.com), or Transfer Evaluation System (TES), may be helpful tools to assist your transfer process



If you have completed previous credits that transfer into the more advanced program, your costs may be less. Please speak with WITC staff if you have questions on how costs are determined. Tuition is an estimate and does not include any miscellaneous fees for various courses, tools, books, supplies or uniforms. Program book costs are in addition to tuition and fees and vary depending on course selection and where the books are purchased or rented.

\*\*Wage and employment data is compiled from the 2018 -2019 WITC Graduate Follow-Up Report; data is not available for the Preschool Education Professional (The Registry Preschool Credential) Pathway Certificate. Child Care Basics wage data is an average of the entry level and mean wages, tied to the SOC code proposed for this program, for the Northwest Wisconsin and West Central Wisconsin Workforce Development Regions as taken from Wage Data from Wisconsin and Emsi. Education decisions should not be entirely based on the wage data presented as wages are subject to error and sampling bias. Some people may be hired at a lower or higher starting wage than what is reported here. Annual salaries, from both Wisconsin and Emsi, are based on a 40 hour work week over 52 weeks (2080 hours).



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## PATHWAYS TO WITC:

### START COLLEGE IN HIGH SCHOOL

Take dual credit or advanced standing courses in high school. To find out what courses are available at your high school, go to: WITC .EDU and enter "Dual Credit" in the search button. Click on your high school. Additional opportunities may be available through AP courses, ITV Programming, or High School Academies.

### ACADEMIC SUPPORT CENTER

Basic Education Courses: Basic Education Communication, Basic Education Reading, Basic Education Math  
General Studies Courses: Writing Foundations, Reading Foundations, Math Foundations  
**Additional Academic Support Services Include:** GED/HSED Preparation, Study Skills Strategies, Test Taking Strategies, Peer Tutoring, Personal Readiness, Career Exploration, (ELL) English Language Learner, Computer Literacy

### CREDIT FOR PRIOR LEARNING

National Exams (AP, CLEP, DSST, IB) or Industry Credentials  
Work/Life Learning, Challenge Exams, Military, Credit from Other Colleges  
For specifics on Credit for Prior Learning Options, please go to WITC .EDU and enter "Credit for Prior Learning" in the search button

## Getting Started is Simple:

### Associate Degree or Technical Diploma (Full or Part-Time)

- Apply Online at [witc.edu/apply](http://witc.edu/apply)
- Schedule and Attend an Admissions Meeting
- Review the Program Webpages for admission and program-specific requirements

**Take one class:** Register during Open Enrollment (no application required). Depending upon the course, you may be required to assess or submit other eligible college entrance scores.

**Certificate:** Complete application and additional required paperwork. Review the program webpage for admission and program-specific requirements

Reasonable accommodations for persons with disabilities will be made to ensure access to academic programs, activities, services and employment in accordance with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), Amendments Act of 2008 (ADAA). For more details and to contact an Accommodations Specialist go online: [WWW.WITC.EDU/stusvcs/disability.htm](http://WWW.WITC.EDU/stusvcs/disability.htm)

## Class Formats Offered

To view specific class times within the programs:

1. Go to [WWW.WITC.EDU](http://WWW.WITC.EDU)
2. Click on "Find a Class" on the top of the webpage
3. Search for courses.

Not all classes within this program are available in every format offered at WITC.

## Upcoming Start Dates

**FALL 2021:** August 23, 2021

**SPRING 2022:** January 17, 2022

## Financial Assistance

Financial Aid (FAFSA stands for Free Application for Federal Student Aid, including loans, grants, and workstudy): [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov)  
WITC Scholarships: [WWW.WITC.EDU](http://WWW.WITC.EDU); enter "scholarships" in the search button  
WITC Promise Scholarship: Tuition assistance for qualifying high school graduates

## 2020-2021 Cost Per Credit

(WI and MN Residents) \$153/credit. ( plus books and supplies )  
Online courses are an additional \$10/credit

## Contact a WITC Admissions Advisor and Get Started:

**Ashland:** 800.243.9482 extension 3195  
**New Richmond:** 800.243.9482 extension 4339  
**Rice Lake:** 800.243.9482 extension 5220  
**Superior:** 800.243.9482 extension 6243  
E-mail: [admissionadvisors@WITC.EDU](mailto:admissionadvisors@WITC.EDU)

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speak with an Admissions Advisor to  
get started