

Are you a Teacher, Administrator, Family Child Care Home Owner, or Home Visitor?

Do you have at minimum an bachelor's degree in early childhood education or a related field?

## Earn a **Graduate Level Degree or Certificate** while still working in ECE!

## **Early Childhood Master Teacher Graduate Certificate**

Early Childhood Education (ECE) is the study of child development and developmentally appropriate practices for young children. Students completing the Early Childhood Education Master Teacher Certificate will be prepared for positions such as mentor teachers, curriculum specialists, and leaders in early care and education programs. A Master Teacher certificate enables the holder to serve as a lead teacher in Community Early Care and Education Programs, State-Funded Early Care and Education Programs, or Head Start Program. Master Teachers can supervise teachers, student teachers and interns. This certificate is offered at Ball State University. The five courses are the beginnings of a masters/in early childhood education (MAE), which requires just five more courses to complete.

## **Transition to Early Childhood Teaching Graduate Certificate**

The Transition to Teaching (TTT) Early Childhood Education program is a lock-step, graduate level, non-degree, initial licensure certificate program. The program is structured to prepare candidates to apply subject matter expertise, assessment knowledge, and developmentally appropriate instructional practices to early learning environments in order to support the healthy development of young children (birth-age 8) and their families. Coursework is completed online, and field experiences and student teaching are required. This program contains all the course requirements needed to become a licensed P-3 teacher in Indiana.

TTT is a twenty-four credit hours at Ball State University, Indiana Wesleyan University and Saint Mary of-the-Woods College.



# **Graduate Level Scholarship Models**

#### AIM4Excellence Graduate Credential

• Aim4Excellence is an online national director credential for early childhood administrators. More than 2,000 leaders across the country have earned this credential. Aim4Excellence modules can be taken for college credit or noncredit, used to help programs attain NAEYC accreditation, or linked state professional development or QRIS. Aim4Excellence focuses on the essential knowledge and skills leaders need to deliver high-quality programming for young children. It is recognized by the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) as an alternative pathway for meeting part of the director qualifications for NAEYC program accreditation. Participants can complete all nine, self-paced modules to earn the Aim4Excellence National Director Credential at University of Southern Indiana through 9 graduate credit hours.

#### **Master's Degree in Early Childhood/Child Development**

- Enhance skills of early childhood educators through graduate level early childhood education/child development coursework that enable them to provide in-depth early childhood teaching, and create higher level programing. Indiana has more than six universities that offer a master's degree in early childhood/child development.
- We are open to partner with all state 4-year degree

#### **Eligibility**

Any teacher, assistant teacher, director/administrator, or family child care owner or employee meeting the following criteria is eligible to apply:

- Must be living and working in Indiana.
- Must be working at least 30 hours per week
- Must be working in a licensed, legally exempt or registered childcare setting.
- Income cap is waived for the graduate level Scholarships!

### Get Started Today Contact:

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