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Begin, Continue, or Complete Your Early Childhood Education (ECE) This Fall Online

Weed / COS –This fall semester, all Early Childhood Education (ECE) Program classes offered by College of the Siskiyous will be offered online. This program of study provides relevant educational experiences for students whose goals include working with children and families with an emphasis on the needs of the rural community. An Associate in Science degree in Early Childhood Education is offered through this program, as well as a strong academic foundation for students transferring to a four-year university program in ECE or a related field. College of the Siskiyous' course of study in ECE articulates to both Southern Oregon University and the California State University System.

Career Options in this field include: Early Education Program Site Supervisor, Entry positions in Family Services Agencies, Family Childcare Provider, Head Start Teacher or Site Director, Independent Preschool Teacher or Director, Infant-Toddler Caregiver or Site Director, State Preschool Teacher or Site Director, and more. Note: Some career options may require more than two years of college level study.

Degree required classes offered this fall at College of the Siskiyous include:

- ECE 1001 Introduction to Early Education
- ECE 1002 Child Development
- ECE 1003 Child, Family and Community
- ECE 2000 Observing and Assessing
- ECE 2002 Child Nutrition Health and Safety

Electives/General Education/Specializations/Transfer offered this fall include:

- ECE 1999 Human Development
- ECE 2003 The Young Child w/ Special Needs
- ECE 2505 Development in Middle Childhood
- ECE 2527 Adult Supervision in Early Education

Contact Program Coordinator and Instructor, Patrice Thatcher-Stephens, with questions. Call (541) 261-1620 or email thatcher@siskiyous.edu. Students enrolling in online classes must have internet access and know how to use email. Check the COS online course website at www.siskiyous.edu/online prior to the first day of the semester for specific course information.

For registration information, call the Enrollment Services Office at (530) 938-5500. The Weed Campus can also be reached by calling (530) 938-5555 or toll-free, (888) 397-4339. Register online at www.siskiyous.edu. The fall semester begins August 24th.