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ANSWERS TO YOUR QUESTIONS

Who should enroll in the two-year program?

Students who:

- Like to work with children and their families;
- Have creative ideas;
- Want to set up a licensed family child care home;
- Are motivated by team work;
- Want to become part of a growing profession;
- Are already working with children and who would like to obtain the Early Childhood Education Diploma and the Early Childhood Educator Level II classification as defined by Manitoba's Community Child Care Standards Act.

How do I apply for the program?

Applicants must fill out a program application form obtained from the Registrar's Office and forward it to the following address: Registrar's Office, Collège universitaire de Saint-Boniface, 200, de la Cathédrale Avenue, Winnipeg Manitoba R2H 0H7. Applicant's official high school transcript and the required application fee (\$60 for Canadian citizens and Permanent Residents and \$90 for international students) must be submitted with the completed program application form.

Is it possible to work part-time during the two-year program?

Yes, it is possible to work part-time during the *Early Childhood Education* program. Every session, late-day and evening classes are offered. Individuals who like to take some courses while working could therefore work and study at the same time.

Eligibility for Prior Learning Assessment and Recognition

Candidates who have worked in the past five (5) years, a minimum of two (2) years full-time or the equivalent part-time, with children ranging in age from 12 weeks to 12 years, in a licensed daycare centre, are eligible for Prior Learning Assessment and Recognition.

What are the school year and timetable like?

The first session begins in September and the second session begins in January. The school year is made up of 2 sessions. In each session, students participate in classroom learning and in a workplace practicum.

The school year is made up mostly of day courses, with some late-day and evening courses.

Are there bursaries available for the program?

CUSB is able to provide quality education at a reasonable cost with a variety of different financial supports. For more information, contact the Registrar's Office, Telephone (204) 233-0210 ext. 408 or visit CUSB's website at www.cusb.ca.

What are the employment prospects?

The *Early Childhood Education* program at École technique et professionnelle will prepare you for a challenging and rewarding career working as an Early Childhood Educator Level II in Manitoba or in any Canadian province. Graduates will find positions in infant preschool and school-age centers; family daycare centers; nursery schools; recreational programs; resource centers; play therapy programs; and early childhood centers.

Can I further my studies in the field once I receive the Early Childhood Education Diploma?

Graduates wishing to further their studies in early childhood education can have up to a total of 30 credit hours accredited to the University of Winnipeg's *Bachelor of Arts in Developmental Studies* leading to the classification Early Childhood Educator Level III as defined in Manitoba's Community Child Care Standards Act, level required for directors of children's centers in Manitoba. The bachelor's degree offers two (2) areas of specialization: working with children with special needs and administration.

What is the program content?

Please refer to the next section for the answer to this question. For more information please contact:

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PROGRAM CONTENT

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Early Childhood Education is a two-year diploma program that meets the requirements of Manitoba's Community Child Care Standards Act and is designed for people who want to pursue a career working with young children. Through the study of the normal and exceptional development of young children, and the study of programming and intervention techniques, students learn how to competently plan learning activities that will stimulate all aspects of the development of young children from birth to 12 years of age: physical, social, emotional, intellectual, and linguistic. In addition to classroom learning, students participate in practicum experiences in a variety of urban and rural daycare centers and nursery schools. In every session of both years, students participate in a workplace practicum. As the program progresses, the length of time of each practicum and the extent of the student's responsibilities will increase.

ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS

Students must have a Manitoba high school diploma or its equivalent. The following courses are highly recommended: Français 40S or Français 40G, and English Language Arts 40S or English Language Arts 40G.

OR

Be considered a mature student.

In order to be successful in the program and practicum placements, students must have developed, prior to entrance, competent written and spoken communication skills in French and in English.

Students are required to undergo a Criminal Record Check prior to practicum placements. A Criminal Record Check can be requested at any RCMP or police station.

Immunizations against the following diseases are highly recommended prior to commencing the program: diphtheria and tetanus; poliomyelitis; measles and mumps; rubella and chicken pox; hepatitis B and tuberculosis. Immunizations are recognized as the most effective way to protect you as well as the children, families, and personnel of the children's daycare centers where you work. Students must submit a current Immunization Record to the administration office of the École technique et professionnelle upon registering for the program.

LIST OF COURSES

Year I – Session I

DE-101	Child Development I (conception to 12 months)	45 hours
PR-100	Observation and Report Writing.....	45 hours
PR-115	Introduction to Early Childhood Education Services in Manitoba.....	45 hours
PR-116	Children’s Play I.....	45 hours
SN-101	Health and Safety	45 hours
PP-102	Français I.....	45 hours
AN-106	English as a Second Language I	45 hours
AI-101	Integration Seminar I	20 hours
PM-101	Practicum I.....	70 hours

Year I – Session II

DE-105	Child Development II	45 hours
PR-117	Creative Expression and the Child	45 hours
GE-102	Child Care for Infants and Preschoolers	45 hours
DS-101	Guiding Children’s Behaviour I	45 hours
PP-103	Français II.....	45 hours
AN-107	English as a Second Language II	45 hours
PP-100	Personal Development.....	45 hours
AI-105	Integration Seminar II.....	20 hours
PM-105	Practicum II.....	175 hours

Year II – Session I

DE-205	Child Development II	45 hours
PR-219	Logical Thinking and the Child.....	45 hours
PR-217	Acquisition of Linguistic Skills	45 hours
SN-205	Children’s Diet, Nutrition and Physical Well-Being.....	45 hours
FA-201	Today’s Family.....	45 hours
EX-202	Children in Exceptional Situations	45 hours
DS-202	Guiding Children’s Behaviour II	45 hours
AI-207	Integration Seminar III.....	20 hours
PM-207	Practicum III.....	175 hours

Year II – Session II

DE-207	Culture and the Child	45 hours
PR-218	Children’s Play II.....	45 hours
FA-205	Partnership and Communication with Families	45 hours
EX-205	Children with Exceptional Skills	45 hours
*GE-204	Family Daycare.....	45 hours
GE-205	Nursery School and School-Age Child Care	45 hours
PP-200	Professional Development.....	45 hours
AI-208	Integration Seminar IV	20 hours
PM-208	Practicum IV	175 hours

* Course offered during the regular program and by correspondence on demand.

Note: The *Early Childhood Education* program and its courses are subject to change.