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<u>Program</u>	<u>Contact</u>	<u>Date Updated</u>
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State	Meets educational Requirements	Does not meet educational requirements	State	Meets educational Requirements	Does not meet educational requirements
Alabama		*	Nebraska		*
Alaska		*	Nevada		*
American Samoa		*	New Hampshire		*
Arizona		*	New Jersey		*
Arkansas		*	New Mexico		*
California		*	New York		*
Colorado		*	North Carolina	*	
Connecticut		*	North Dakota		*
Delaware		*	Northern Mariana Islands		*
Florida		*	Ohio		*
Georgia		*	Oklahoma		*
Guam		*	Oregon		*
Hawaii		*	Pennsylvania		*
Idaho		*	Puerto Rico		*
Illinois		*	Rhode Island		*
Indiana		*	South Carolina		*
Iowa		*	South Dakota		*
Kansas		*	Tennessee		*
Kentucky		*	Texas		*
Louisiana		*	US Virgin Islands		*
Maine		*	Utah		*
Maryland		*	Vermont		*
Massachusetts		*	Virginia		*
Michigan		*	Washington		*
Minnesota		*	West Virginia		*
Mississippi		*	Wisconsin		*
Missouri		*	Wyoming		*
Montana		*			

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Comments:

Early Childhood Education licensure requirements vary by state and other individual factors including credentials, training, and job experience. Included are the North Carolina Early Childhood Credential (NCECC), and the North Carolina Early Childhood Administration Credential (NCECAC)
<https://ncchildcare.ncdhhs.gov/Whats-New/north-carolina-early-childhood-and-administration-credentials>.

Student applications are reviewed on a case-by-case basis. Requirements vary in each of the 50 states for the Early Childhood Education program.

Early Childhood Education State Contacts:

Early Care and Education Governance: State Profiles - Education Commission of the States
<https://www.ecs.org/early-care-and-education-governance-state-profiles/>

This is a statewide academic progression agreement for ECE students.

The following links provides more information about the N.C. Early Childhood Education (ECE) Articulation agreement, the N.C. Early Childhood and Administration Credentials, and the Child Development Associate Credential:

N.C. Community Colleges' Comprehensive Articulation Agreement
<https://www.nccommunitycolleges.edu/students/enrollment-and-registration/university-transfer/articulation-agreements/comprehensive-articulation-agreement/>

N.C. Community Colleges' Comprehensive Articulation Agreement 2024 Transfer Course List
https://nccsstg.wpengine.com/wp-content/uploads/2024/02/Transfer_Course_List_AppendixG_2024v1.pdf

N.C. Early Childhood and Administration Credentials
<https://ncchildcare.ncdhhs.gov/Read/north-carolina-early-childhood-and-administration-credentials>

Council for Professional Recognition – Child Development Associate (CDA) Credential
<https://www.cdacouncil.org/en/about/learn-about-the-cda/>

Per the Education Commission of the States (<https://www.ecs.org/early-care-and-education-governance/>):

The governance structures of states' early care and education systems vary significantly. Eight states have created an entity to oversee several early care and education components. Thirteen states plus the District of Columbia have consolidated several agencies or programs into one entity that oversees multiple components. Twenty-nine states have agencies that provide programs and services that require a coordinated approach between agencies.

Information current as of 4/01/2026