



# Education Endorsement

## Early childhood integrated setting (ECIS)

*Earning an ECIS endorsement will enable you to teach in early childhood integrated settings, including preschools, K-3 classrooms, early childhood centers and Head Start classrooms. Teachers with an ECIS endorsement can also serve as administrators for early childhood programs.*

### Exclusively online

Northwestern is the only college in Iowa that offers an online early childhood integrated setting (ECIS) endorsement\*, which makes it convenient for working teachers. The course load has been planned to accommodate the school year, with more time-intensive courses offered during the summer.

*(\*Also called endorsement 100—pre-K through grade three, including special education.)*

### 6 classes in 2 years

Using our competency-based approach, you can expect to complete the ECIS endorsement course work—5 classes plus student teaching in your preferred district—within the 2 years set by the state of Iowa. Required courses:

- EDU 229 Introduction to Early Childhood (3 credits)
- EDU 230 Organization and Administration of Early Childhood Programs (3 credits)
- EDU 300 Characteristics of Young Children With Diverse Needs (3 credits)
- EDU 301 Methods of Working with Young Children With Diverse Needs (3 credits)
- EDU 314 Working With Parents (2 credits)
- EDU 429 Unified Early Childhood Student Teaching (4 to 8 credits)

### Register today

Classes are offered every semester. For information or to apply, visit our website or contact:

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### T.E.A.C.H. Scholarships

You may be eligible for a T.E.A.C.H. Early Childhood Scholarship while you earn your ECIS endorsement. For information or to apply, visit the T.E.A.C.H. website:

[www.iowaaeec.org/teach.cfm](http://www.iowaaeec.org/teach.cfm)

**To learn more about how our online ECIS endorsement can help advance your education career:**

[www.nwcsiowa.edu/ecis](http://www.nwcsiowa.edu/ecis)

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