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| ECE 350 Early Learning & Cognitive Development | This course examines the cognitive development of typical and atypical young children as individuals and in group settings. Participants will discuss major theories and contemporary research findings of child cognitive development and learning and the mutual influence of biological, psychological and social factors within a given environment, including practical aspects of child rearing and family health. | II. To advance physical and intellectual competence  
- FA 4: Physical  
- FA 5: Cognitive  
- FA 6: Communication  
- FA 7: Creative  
III. To support social and emotional development and to provide positive guidance  
- FA 8: Self  
- FA 9: Social  
- FA 10: Guidance |
| ECE 415 Leadership and Management in Early Child Care Programs | This course looks at the management, supervision, and leadership of early childhood programs within the framework of planning, implementing, and evaluating programs of various sponsorship and purpose. The course provides an overview of the knowledge and skills necessary to develop and administer an early care and education facility. | IV. To establish positive and productive relationships with families  
- FA 11: Families  
V. To ensure a well-run, purposeful program that is responsive to participant needs  
- FA 12: Program Management  
VI. To maintain a commitment to professionalism  
- FA 13: Professionalism |
| ECE 425 Methods and Materials in Early Learning | This course focuses on developing programming to facilitate children’s development and learning. Program and activity planning to promote physical, cognitive, social, and emotional development through the observation and assessment of children’s development, interests and family and cultural context will be examined. | I. To establish and maintain a safe, healthy, learning environment  
- FA 1: Safe  
- FA 2: Healthy  
- FA 3: Learning Environment |
For your convenience, we offer a Pearson VUE testing facility, the only one in Niagara County, where you will be able to complete your CDA Exam.

- The New York State Child Care Educational Incentive Program (EIP) is a scholarship program, which helps providers pay for training with the intent to build provider knowledge to improve the quality of child care.
- All college courses taken as part of an early childhood degree program are eligible for scholarship as well as the cost of CDA renewal training programs, CDA Final Assessment Fee, and CDA Renewal Fee.
- To apply for an EIP scholarship or find more information about the program, please visit www.ecetp.pdp.albany.edu or call their toll free number 1.800.295.9616.
- Tuition - $1,000.00 per course.

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