



## Information About Dual Credit Early Learning and Child Care Courses From Northern Lakes College

### Why take dual credit Early Learning and Child Care courses?

1. Earn up to 61 high school credits plus credit toward the College credential.
2. Lower your workload in College. By reducing the number of courses you need for your Early Learning and Child Care program, you will have a lower workload while in College.
3. Determine if the Early Learning and Child Care program is something that you are interested in before enrolling in College.
4. Save money. Some costs may be covered by your high school. Check with your school to determine if they cover any expenses.
5. Qualify for a \$500 tuition bursary. Dual credit students who successfully complete qualify for tuition bursary if they continue their post-secondary education with Northern Lakes College.



### Where is the program available?

The Early Learning and Child Care Program is available at any location.

### When is the program available?

1. Term 1 - Sept 6 to Dec 16, 2022
2. Term 2 - Jan 3 to Apr 21, 2023
3. Term 3 – May 1 to June 23, 2023

### What prerequisites are needed to get into the program?

1. Students in Grade 11 and 12 can start the program, providing they have **successfully** completed English 10-1 or 10-2. To complete the program, students will need to have English 30-1 (**credits**) or 30-2 (**60%**) as this is the prerequisite for ENGL1000 and COMM1000.

### How difficult is the program?

1. The courses in this program are at the college level and therefore require a significant commitment on behalf of the student, the parent, the high school and the College. You need to be sure you are ready to dedicate yourself to the courses before applying.
2. Parents are encouraged to stay informed of their child's progress in the program via the high school.

## Other things you need to know:

1. For the Early Learning and Child Care courses, students will follow the schedule as laid out by the College, which may differ from the high school schedule. The schedule will be provided when you start the program.
2. There are eleven courses in the Early Learning and Child Care program offered at Northern Lakes College. All the courses can be taken by dual credit. Below is a listing of all the courses in the program.



### TERM 1:

ELCC0100	Introduction to Early Learning
CDEV0101	Child & Adolescent Development
ELCC0106	Practicum I
EDAS0108	Introduction to Exceptionalities
ENGL1000	Introduction to English Language and Literature

### TERM 2:

ELCC0102	Managing and Supporting Children's Behavior
ELCC0103	Learning Through Play
ELCC0104	Infant and Toddler Care
ELCC0105	Health, Nutrition, and Safety
COMM1000	Interpersonal Communications for the Helping Profession

### TERM 3:

ELCC0107	Practicum II
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3. Students have the option to take any number of courses available by dual credit. You cannot take the ELCC0106 Practicum I course unless you have completed or are co-enrolled in at least two other courses from the program.
4. The ELCC0106 Practicum I course is a work practicum that will occur in a school or daycare close to you.
  - a. If travel to the practicum placement site is required, it is the responsibility of the student/parent.
  - b. The ELCC0106 Practicum I course is 150 hours, so students will need to ensure they have the time in their high school schedule to go on their practicum placement.
5. Successful completion of the CDEV0101 Child & Adolescent Development course leads to certification as a Child Development Assistant, which is required to work at a licensed daycare program.
6. Given that the classes are available online, they can be worked on at any time, making it easier to fit these courses around your high school schedule.
7. Practicum agencies may require an up-to-date Police Information Check (Vulnerable Sector) and an Alberta Children's Services Intervention Record Check of students placed in their organizations. The inability to present clear checks means a student may not be able to complete the program requirements.
8. For more information about a career in Early Learning and Child Care, check out the [alis.alberta.ca](http://alis.alberta.ca) website. You will find information on Early Learning and Child Care and other careers under the 'information on occupations' tab.
9. Application deadline is six weeks before the start date of the course, however, students are encouraged to apply early as the classes can fill up before the application deadline.