

The Ladder to Success.

The following Career Ladder is tailored specifically to the field of Early Care and Education (ECE). There are 7 levels that represent various combinations of formal education, training and direct experience (up to 4000 hours). By following this path, you'll know exactly what you need to accomplish before advancing to the next level.

Level 1

- 1.1** Meet Child Care Licensing requirements *and* a minimum of 1000 hrs. of direct experience
- 1.2** All of 1.1 plus a high school diploma/GED
- 1.3** All of 1.1, 1.2 *and* 1 ECE college credit *or* 15 hrs. approved training

Level 2

- 2.1** Current CDA *or* 8 ECE college credits *and* 2000 hrs. direct experience, *or* high school diploma/GED, 120 hrs. of approved CKA training, *and* 2000 hrs. direct experience
- 2.2** 12 ECE college credits *and* 3000 hrs. direct experience

Level 3

- 3.1** Apprenticeship Certificate *or* 20 ECE college credits *and* 4000 hrs. direct experience
- 3.2** 1-year ECE certificate *or* 30 college credits with 24 in ECE *and* 4000 hrs. direct experience

Level 4

- 4.1** Associate's degree in ECE *or* Associate's degree in another field with 30 or more ECE college credits
- 4.2** All of 4.1 *and* 4000 hrs. direct experience

Level 5

- 5.1** Bachelor's degree in ECE *or* Bachelor's degree in another field with a state teaching licensing containing an ECE endorsement *or* a Bachelor's degree in another field with 30 or more ECE college credits
- 5.2** All of 5.1 *and* 4000 hrs. direct experience

Level 6

- 6.1** Master's degree in ECE *or* Master's degree in another field with a state teaching licensing containing an ECE endorsement *or* a Master's degree in another field with 30 or more ECE college credits
- 6.2** All of 6.1 *and* 4000 hrs. direct experience

Level 7

- 7.1** Doctorate in ECE *or* Doctorate in another field with a state teaching licensing containing an ECE endorsement *or* Doctorate in another field with 30 or more ECE college credits
- 7.2** All of 7.1 *and* 4000 hrs. direct experience



The Nevada
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The Path to Brighter Futures.

The Nevada Registry is an integral part of establishing a professional development system in the field of Early Care and Education (ECE). The program helps raise the status of our profession and encourages the establishment of a well-trained and skilled workforce of professionals. It is a multi-faceted, federally funded program serving ECE professionals throughout Nevada.