



**Director's Credential  
Certificate Program\***

Career Curriculum 00CHC0018 Certificate Program Minimum Hrs. 8 Major Code: 1.2 190709Q
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Dept.	No.		Hrs.	Gr.
ECE	279	Management Internship <sup>1</sup>	4	_____
ECE	280	Professional Development	<u>4</u>	_____
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\* Prerequisite: A.A.S. in Early Childhood Education

<sup>1</sup> One year of full-time early childhood education management experience in a licensed center will waive this course.

The Early Childhood Education Director's Credentials Certificate Program (00CHC0018) is an ICCB approved extension of the Early Childhood Education AAS Degree (ECE 0005).

*John A. Logan College reserves the right to modify this curriculum guide as needed.  
Please verify with your academic advisor the accuracy and time lines of this document.*

**Effective Date: Spring 2011**

**Additional Information:** John A. Logan College Early Childhood Education Program is approved by the Illinois Network of Child Care Resources & Referral Agencies (INCCRRA) as an Illinois Director Credential Entitled Institution. John A. Logan College works directly with Gateways to Opportunity, a branch of INCCRRA to award this credential. As an entitled Illinois Director Credential (IDC) institution, John A. Logan College Early Childhood Education Program will verify the attainment of the IDC requirements and submit recommendation to the statewide Professional Development Advisory Council (PDAC) for review and confirmation. Upon the approval of PDAC, the IDC will be awarded. Core knowledge and skills will be validated in 5 areas:

1. General Education
2. Early Childhood/School-age Knowledge
3. Management Knowledge & Skills
4. Management & Teaching Experience
5. Professional Contributions to the Field

Students interested in the Illinois Director Credential should see the Early Childhood Education academic advisor. Students can complete the requirements for the IDC by:

1. First completing the AAS Degree in Early Childhood Education;
2. Completing the child care Management Internship (ECE 279); and
3. Completing 2 professional development activities (ECE 280).

The Illinois Director Credential prepares students to work more effectively as child care advocates and administrators in early childhood programs. The attainment of the IDC is one to be proud of. It serves as a symbol of individual achievement and demonstration of leadership and commitment beyond the scope of daily routine management through professional contributions to the field. The IDC is a tool to promote high standards of excellence, professionalism among staff, and quality care and education of children enrolled in early childhood programs. For more information about the IDC credential, call 1-888-548-8080 or visit Gateways to Opportunity website @ [www.ilgateways.com](http://www.ilgateways.com).

**Career Opportunities:** Assistant director, director, supervisor, coordinator, or child care advocate in child care center or other early childhood programs, organizations or social services for children and their families.