

Education for Teachers

The Center for Continuing Studies at Mercer is a registered provider of professional development with the New Jersey Department of Education. **All onsite and online courses count toward the "100 hours" requirement.** Our provider number is 4285.

New Pathways to Teaching in New Jersey

Alternate Route to Teaching

Thinking of becoming a teacher?
Already have a college degree?
Make a difference in the life of a child:
TEACH!

Admission Requirements:

- Bachelor's degree with a 2.75 GPA
- Certificate of Eligibility from NJDOE

Information sessions will be held Wednesday
Aug 19, Sept 16 & Oct 14

Sessions start promptly at 5:30pm.

Visit our website at www.mccc.edu/ccs for additional dates.

The Conference Center at Mercer
1200 Old Trenton Road
West Windsor, NJ 08550
Call 609.570.3311 or email ComEd@mccc.edu

Introduction to the Teaching Profession: 24-Hour Program NEW!

This course is a prerequisite of the NJ Department of Education for all CE applications received after October 30, 2009.

NOTE: Individuals submitting a CE application prior to October 30, 2009 are NOT required to complete this course.

New Pathways to Teaching is pleased to offer this new program required for all alternate route candidates who plan to apply for a Certificate of Eligibility (CE).

This course will include:

- An Overview of the Teaching Profession
- Classroom Management
- Assessment Tools
- Lesson Plans
- Learning Strategies
- Job Search Strategies for Teachers
- Diversity in the Classroom
- The Implementation of Technology
- Classroom Observations

This is a noncredit course with 20 hours of classroom work and a 4-hour classroom observation requirement. Upon successful completion of this class, students receive a certificate, as required by the Department of Education, which documents successful program completion. This certificate must be included in the CE application packet to the DOE. **Please visit our website at www.mccc.edu/ccs for specific offering times and dates.** Tuition: \$200

Continuing Ed for Teachers Online Courses

Each of the online courses below counts toward 24 Professional Development Hours. The Center for Continuing Studies at Mercer is a registered provider of professional development with the New Jersey Department of Education. Our provider number is 4285.

Tuition: \$89 for any online course

- Expert Instructors
- 24-Hour Access
- 6 Weeks of Instruction

Start Dates: Courses start monthly

- Guided Reading: Strategies for the Differentiated Classroom
- Guided Reading & Writing: Strategies for Maximum Student Achievement
- Working Successfully With Learning Disabled Students
- Survival Kit for New Teachers

For more courses, or to enroll, go to www.ed2go.com/mccc.edu.

Spanish Conversation for the Classroom

This course is designed specifically for classroom situations. Do you wish to communicate more effectively with students in your classes who have limited practical experience in the English language? In this course, you will learn the basics of communicating with students whose first language is Spanish, and who come from a culture other than your own. Learn more about the culture of your Spanish-speaking students, and how to quickly communicate basic classroom directions. Your confidence will improve, as you are able to more effectively include and engage Spanish-speaking students. **Textbook required. Available in college bookstore.**

1.2 CEU. Tuition and fees: \$185

XFL129-083638

Oct 6-Oct 27

4 sessions Tu 9:30am-12:30pm

Romel Flores, MCCC Instructor

How to Become an Adjunct Professor NEW!

Do you have a master's degree and wish to teach? Many community colleges and 4-year colleges are looking for experts who wish to teach courses in their field. Learn how to find and apply for jobs, manage your classroom, create your syllabus and successfully interact with your students and administrators.

0.2 CEU. Tuition and fees: \$30

XCP121-083637

Oct 5

1 session

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6-8pm

Diana Rosenberg, MCCC Instructor

Child Care Career Development Certificate

Designed for early childhood educators in child care centers and schools, this program focuses on teaching concepts and skills that have immediate applications. Students identify effective teaching strategies and techniques and practice these strategies during each course for use in their centers or classrooms.

The completion of all ten courses below satisfies the educational component for obtaining a Child Development Associate (CDA) credential, and the hours may also be used toward a Certified Childcare Professional (CCP) credential. To find out more about these national certification programs, call CDA at 1-800-424-4310 or CCP at 1-800-543-7161.

The following courses meet the annual staff development requirements enacted by the New Jersey Bureau of Child Care Licensing.

Note: The same textbook is used for all courses: *Caring for Preschool Children*, ISBN 1879537753, available through the publisher www.teachingstrategies.com, 1-800-637-3652 and the supplemental book *The Child Development Associate Assessment System and Competency Standards published by the National Child Development Associate credentialing program (Council for Professional Recognition, ISBN: 0-9759140-5-7, 2006)*. Both books are also available at the MCCC bookstore.

To earn Mercer's certificate, you must take the following ten (10) required courses:

- Health & Safety
- Physical Development
- Cognitive Development
- Classroom Design and Program Management
- Children's Language and Literature
- Getting Creative with Art, Music, and Drama
- Helping Children Learn About Themselves and Others
- Guiding Children's Behavior
- Working with Families
- Professionalism and Your Professional Resource File

All are welcome to take these courses even if you are not interested in pursuing a certificate.

Cognitive Development

Early childhood environments are bursting with children learning to think and reason. Learn to create an environment that invites children to develop and answer their own questions through exploration and investigation. Discover how to interact with children in ways to stimulate thinking and problem solving, and assist in the development of early math and science skills.

1.2 CEU. Tuition and fees: \$114

XCP141-083639

Sept 15-Oct 20*

6 sessions Tu 7-9pm

*Meets at Lawrence Day School, 510 Lawrence Square Blvd. South, Lawrenceville, NJ 08648

Amanda Marcinkowski, MCCC Instructor



Guiding Children's Behavior

Learn positive techniques for minimizing problem behavior and encouraging self-discipline among young children. Tap your knowledge of child development to guide behavior, and learn some guidelines for setting rules and limits. Teach children how to express strong feelings in acceptable ways, and how to use problem solving skills to minimize frustration. Develop strategies for responding to challenging behavior.

1.2 CEU. Tuition and fees: \$114

XCP120-083640

Sept 10-Oct 15*

6 sessions Th 7-9pm

*Meets at Lawrence Day School, 510 Lawrence Square Blvd. South, Lawrenceville, NJ 08648

Jeffra Nandan, MCCC Instructor

Getting Creative with Art, Music and Drama

From painting with watercolors to acting out their favorite stories, children are creative by nature. Learn to enhance and extend this creativity by choosing materials and activities that promote self-expression. Discover how the early childhood environment can encourage artistic exploration, and how providing a rich variety of art materials, music, instruments, and props lead to the development of creative expression. Develop a repertoire of art, music, and drama activities which reflect the interests of the children you teach.

1.2 CEU. Tuition and fees: \$114

XCP157-083641 **Oct 7-Nov 11***

6 sessions W 6-8pm

**Meets at Mercer County Community College, West Windsor Campus
Angela Dixon, MCCC Instructor*

Working with Families

A young child's first teachers are his or her family members. Families are partners in education. Learn how to build the positive relationships with families that maximize a child's success. Discover a variety of ways to invite formal and informal family participation in your program, as well as how to plan and participate in conferences. Also learn ways to recognize when families are under stress, and how to provide support to families in stressful times.

1.2 CEU. Tuition and fees: \$114

XCP151-083642 **Oct 27-Dec 1***

6 sessions Tu 7-9pm

**Meets at Lawrence Day School, 510 Lawrence Square Blvd. South, Lawrenceville, NJ 08648
Margaret Kornberg, MCCC Instructor*

Professionalism and Your Professional Resource File

Child care professionals must act responsibly and ethically. Begin to build a Professional Resource File - a collection of materials which supports high-quality program procedures and developmentally appropriate practices. You will receive guidance in writing competency goals and collecting necessary documentation to create the resource file which is a required component of the CDA credential.

1.2 CEU. Tuition and fees: \$114

XCP153-083643 **Oct 22-Dec 3***

6 sessions Th 7-9pm

**Class will not meet Nov 26*

**Meets at Lawrence Day School, 510 Lawrence Square Blvd. South, Lawrenceville, NJ 08648
Amanda Marcinkowski, MCCC Instructor*



Child Care & Parenting Online Courses

- Enhancing Language Development in Childhood
- Guiding Kids on the Internet
- Understanding Adolescents

Tuition: \$89 for each online course

- Expert Instructors
- 24-Hour Access
- 6 Weeks of Instruction
- Courses start monthly

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Montessori Teacher Certification

The Montessori Teacher Training Institute of NJ (which is affiliated with the American Montessori Society) and Mercer County Community College are offering a unique opportunity to explore the Montessori method of teaching and earn a certificate. Using the complete Montessori curriculum, the goals of the program are to facilitate an interest and excitement for learning how to educate children in their sensitive developmental period and to prepare future educators to meet the many needs of young learners in this new millennium.

New students interested in this program, please email Nancy Nicholson at nicholsn@mccc.edu for information regarding an interview with Montessori Corner School prior to registration.

Fully accredited by the Montessori Accreditation Council for Teacher Education (MACTE)

Who should attend:

- Montessori teachers or assistant teachers who do not have certification
- Teachers and educators who wish to learn (and receive certification in) the Montessori method
- Those considering a career in Montessori education
- Parents or other individuals who wish to further their understanding of child development and successful alternative teaching methods

Additional fees, payable to the "Montessori Teacher Training Institute," will be incurred for books (approximately \$175) and certification and manual fees (approximately \$350).

Cost for the entire 2009 - 2010 program is approximately \$3,854

All classes meet at Montessori Corner School, Plainsboro, NJ.

To earn a certificate, you must complete the following courses and practicum hours:

Module I

- Theory & Philosophy of Education
- Practical Life

Module II

- Child Development
- Multi-Sensory Education

Module III (Spring 2010)

- Math
- Science
- Art, Movement & Music
- Language
- Social Studies

Module IV (Spring 2010)

- Administration
- Parent Education
- Observation

Module V

- Program Leadership/Practicum/ Introduction

Practicum - 540 hours

Montessori Module I

6.6 CEU. Tuition and fees: \$602 (tuition: \$552; materials: 50)

XCP328-083673 **Sept 10-Oct 20***

16 sessions Tu,Th 5:30-8:30pm
Sa** 8:30am-4:30pm

Class meets at Montessori Corner School, Plainsboro

**Class will not meet Sept 19, Oct 10*

***Saturday classes: Sept 12, 26, Oct 3, 17*

Montessori Module II

6.6 CEU. Tuition and fees: \$602 (tuition: \$552; materials: \$50)

XCP329-083675 **Oct 22-Dec 8***

16 sessions Tu,Th 5:30-8:30pm
Sa** 8:30am-4:30pm

Class meets at Montessori Corner School, Plainsboro

**Class will not meet Oct 31, Nov 3, 14, 26, 28*

***Saturday classes: Oct 24, Nov 7, 21, Dec 5*



Montessori Graduates

Registration deadline is two weeks prior to the course start date. Avoid the \$10 late fee... Register Early!