



## 2011-2012 Career Planning Guide EDUCATION: In-Home Care Provider Certificate of Proficiency

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**Shoreline Community College**  
16101 Greenwood Avenue North  
Shoreline, Washington 98133  
Length of Program: 48 credits, 3-4 quarters  
Completion Award: Certificate of Proficiency

**Approximate Quarterly Costs**  
Check quarterly class schedule for Tuition Table  
Parking Fee Per Quarter \$15  
Books (Book costs can vary widely) \$200  
Additional Instructional Fees \$25-85

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**Enrollment:** Fall (recommended), Winter, Spring

<http://www.shoreline.edu/shoreline/ehs.html>

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### PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The Education Programs are designed to provide students with the knowledge and skills necessary for employment in a variety of social service and governmental agencies. Based on personal and career interests, students may select one of the A.A.A.S. degree options: Early Childhood Educator and Paraeducator, Special Education and Bilingual/Bicultural Education. Shoreline also offers two Certificates of Proficiency programs: In-Home Care Provider and Child Care Professional.

The Certificate of Proficiency for In-Home Care Providers prepares graduates for work as a nanny or in-home care provider. Students gain an understanding of human growth and development along with a working knowledge of developmentally appropriate practices and activities. In addition, students learn practical skills such as first aid, safety, healthy food preparation and effective communication. Internships and field placements provide students with an opportunity to integrate classroom learning and gain valuable “hands-on” experience. The program can usually be completed in three or four quarters.

### PROGRAM OUTCOMES

Students who successfully complete this program should be able to:

1. Understand the basic and developmental needs of infants, toddlers and preschool children.
2. Plan and prepare developmentally appropriate and culturally sensitive activities for young children.
3. Communicate effectively with parents and children.
4. Understand the principles of healthy nutrition and safe food handling and preparation.
5. Apply knowledge of safety and prevention techniques as well as perform basic first aid.

### CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates can be employed by parents and guardians to provide in-home child care services as well as respite care for young children. The need for the services is expected to continue and expand as more and more women of young children seek employment outside of the home.

### POTENTIAL POSITIONS INCLUDE

Nanny, Au Pair or Home Care. Entry level salaries range from \$12,000 to \$22,000 per year for home care and \$21,600 to \$27,600 in Nanny care. For employment outlook, see the U.S. Dept. of Labor Occupational Outlook Handbook at <http://www.bls.gov/OCO/>.

