

Early Childhood Education



South Florida State College provides quality child care education that is designed to meet the requirements set forth by the Florida Department of Children and Families. For more information about the courses, call 863-784-7032 or visit www.southflorida.edu/corpedschedule for the most current schedule.



The Department of Children and Families (DCF) Introductory Training

40-Hour Introduction to Childcare Training - \$199.99

Campus	Building	Room	CRN	Dates	Days	Time
Avon Park	UC	113		TBA		

Students enrolled in this course at South Florida State College will receive a total of 40 hours of training in the topics below, which meet Part I and II of the required DCF training. *Students that work or plan to work in a child care facility must begin the course within the first 90 days of employment and complete it within first year of employment. If a student does not complete it within a year, the student is non-hirable per DCF.* To register for training, call **863-784-7405**.

Part 1 (30 hours)

- ⇒ Child Care Facility Rules and Regulations (FACR – 6 hours)
- ⇒ Health Safety and Nutrition (HSAN – 8 hours)
- ⇒ Identifying and Reporting Child Abuse and Neglect (CAAN – 4 hours)
- ⇒ Child Growth and Development (CGDR – 6 hours)
- ⇒ Behavioral Observation and Screening (BOSR – 6 hours)

Part II (10 hours)

- ⇒ Special Needs Appropriate Practices (SNP—10 hours)

Must successfully complete individual modules of DCF exam. To register for exam at SFSC, call 1-888-352-2842 or register online at myflorida.com/childcare.

Choose from the following exam dates:

- January 11, 2020
- March 21, 2020
- May 9, 2020

Corporate and Community Education Department ▪ 863-784-7032 ▪ Email: corporatetraining@southflorida.edu

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Enrollment numbers must be achieved in order for a course to be offered. All classes are subject to change. No refunds after class begins.

Introductory Training Requirements per the Department of Children and Families

Child Care Standards 65C-22.001(6), Florida Administrative Code: All child care personnel are required to complete 40 hours of mandated training and must meet the early literacy, first aid and pediatric CPR, safe sleep/shaken baby syndrome and fire extinguisher training requirements.

- ⇒ Child care personnel must begin training within the first 90 days of employment in the child care industry by doing the following:
 - Starting a Part I or Part II course
 - Taking a child care competency exam **OR**
 - Earning an educational exemption (for a list of exemptions visit ccrain.fl-dcf.com/documents/-99/2491.pdf)
 - ⇒ All of the 40-hour required training must be completed one (1) year from the date the training began.
 - ⇒ Child care personnel must pass competency exams for the 40 hours of training to demonstrate their competency or receive an educational exemption.
 - ⇒ All child care personnel must complete 5 hours of literacy training within one (1) year of employment in the child care industry, through approved online courses through the DCF website—myflorida.com/childcare or DCF-approved, instructor-led courses at South Florida State College.
- Additional Required Training:
- ⇒ Fire Extinguisher Training: All staff must complete training in the use and operation of a fire extinguisher. This training is not offered by the DCF.

For all exemptions, training and exam requirements, call 1-888-352-2842 or visit myflorida.com/childcare.

Family Stabilization

Parent Education and Family Stabilization - \$48

Campus	Building	Room	CRN	Dates	Days	Time
Avon Park	UC	108	13978	August 29, 2020	S	8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
Hardee	B	113	13975	Sept. 19, 2020	S	9 a.m. - 1 p.m.
Lake Placid	300	302	13976	Oct. 3, 2020	S	9 a.m. - 1 p.m.
DeSoto	A	110	13977	Nov. 7, 2020	S	9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

These 4-hour classes meet the Florida statute requirements for parents with minor children who seek a divorce in Florida. It focuses on the concerns parents may have regarding how divorce impacts their children. The class teaches parents effective ways of communicating with each other and making decisions in the best interest of children. Visit SFSC's online portal, anytime, at southflorida.edu/divorceclass. To register, call **863-784-7405**.

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Online 4-Hour Florida Parent Course in English or Spanish—\$25

These 4-hour classes are also available online and meets the Florida statute requirements for parents with minor children who seek a divorce in Florida. It focuses on the concerns parents may have regarding how divorce impacts their children. The class teaches parents effective ways of communicating with each other and making decisions in the best interest of children. Visit SFSC's online portal, anytime, at southflorida.edu/divorceclass.

Florida Child Care Professional Certificate (FCCPC—120 hours)

FCCPC I - \$375

Campus	Building	Room	CRN	Dates	Days	Time
Highlands	UC	207	13986	August 25—Oct. 13, 2020	T, R	5:30 - 9:30 p.m.

This course covers 60 hours of goals which students must meet to be competent caregivers and is the basis on which they are assessed. Part I consists of the following functional areas of early childhood education: *Professionalism and Ethics; Introduction to Child Growth and Development; Promoting Physical, Cognitive and Literacy Development; and Promoting Social and Emotional Development*. The FCCPC will exempt the following 20 hours of the 40-hour Intro to Child Care: 6-hour behavioral observation and screening; 8-hour health, safety and nutrition; and 6-hour child growth development. For more exceptions, visit myflorida.com/childcare. To register for course, call **863-784-7405**.

Requirement: Student must have access to a computer, internet and basic computer knowledge. In order to meet the requirements for the FCCPC certificate, students must have a high school diploma or equivalent from an accredited or FLDOE registered institution.

Required textbook for Part I: Essentials for Child Development Associates Working with Young Children, 2nd edition (not sold at the SFSC bookstore, must be ordered online, e.g. Amazon).

Financial Assistance: This is a contact hour course and is not eligible for Financial Aid/FAFSA. Please visit teach-fl.org for T.E.A.C.H. scholarship information and application.

FCCPC II - \$375

Campus	Building	Room	CRN	Dates	Days	Time
Highlands	UC	207	21393	March 5—April 30, 2020	T,R	5:30 - 9:30 p.m.

This course covers 60 hours of goals which students must meet to be competent caregivers and is the basis on which they are assessed. Part II consists of the following functional areas of early childhood education: *Creating a Safe and Healthy Learning Environment for Young Children; Screening and Assessment of Young Children; Establishing Positive Relationships with Families; and Managing an Early Childhood Program*. *Part II may be taken prior to Part I*. The FCCPC will exempt the following 20 hours of the 40-hour Intro to Child Care: 6-hour behavioral observation and screening; 8-hour health, safety and nutrition; and 6-hour child growth development. For more exceptions, visit myflorida.com/childcare. To register for course, call **863-784-7405**.

Requirement: Student must have access to a computer, internet and basic computer knowledge.

FCCPC candidates are required to successfully complete the full 120 hours of FCCPC training along with meeting all DCF requirements in order to be eligible for the FCCPC. In order to meet the requirements for the FCCPC certificate, students must have a high school diploma or equivalent from an accredited or FLDOE registered institution.

Required textbook for Part II (same as Part I): Essentials for Child Development Associates Working with Young Children, 2nd edition (not sold at the SFSC bookstore, must be ordered online, e.g. Amazon).

Financial Assistance: This is a contact hour course and is not eligible for Financial Aid/FAFSA. Please visit teach-fl.org for T.E.A.C.H. scholarship information and application.

Initial Director’s Credential

Director’s Credential/Program Management Online- \$227

Format	CRN	Dates
Web/D2L	20577	January 6—May 2, 2020

This course is the equivalent to the “Overview of Child Care Management” course required by DCF in order to earn your Director’s Credential.

Step 1. Register and pay for course by calling **863-784-7405**.

Step 2. Contact SFSC’s eLearning Department for your Panther Central D2L user name and password for online access prior to the first meeting date. Call **863-784-7017**. **(Program Management students are exempt from the SFSC application fee and GPS orientation.)**

Step 3. Notify the Community Education Department via email at communityeducation@southflorida.edu Once Steps 1 and 2 are complete and the instructor will inform you of meeting dates/times.

Director’s Credential candidates must complete the 40-hour Intro to Child Care Training, FCCPC I & II, and the Director’s Program Management course. Exception to this would be if student has a two-year degree in ECE (Early Childhood Education). For more exceptions, visit myflorida.com/childcare. For the Director’s Credential, student must have high school diploma or equivalent from an accredited or FLDOE registered institution.

Online Renewals—FCCPC/CDA/Director’s Credential

FCCPC/CDA Renewal - \$184

Format	CRN	Dates
Web	20346	Students may begin anytime in Spring semester

This course is strictly online and is approved by the Department of Children and Families (DCF). It is self-paced and has no exams or class meetings. (Students must notify the community education coordinator via email at communityeducation@southflorida.edu when they have registered and paid in order to gain online access.) Upon completion of this course, you will earn a certificate of completion and 4.5 CEUs. This class is also available in Spanish upon request. The course is accessible 365 days from each student’s initial login date.

To register, call **863-784-7405**.

Director’s Credential Renewal - \$189

Format	CRN	Dates
Web	20347	Students may begin anytime in Spring semester

This course is strictly online and is approved by the Department of Children and Families (DCF). It is self-paced and has no exams or class meetings. (Students must notify the community education coordinator via email at communityeducation@southflorida.edu when they have registered and paid in order to gain online access.) Upon completion of this course, you will earn a certificate of completion and 4.5 CEUs. This class is also available in Spanish upon request. The course is accessible 365 days from each student’s initial login date.

FCCPC Refresher—Face-to-face

FCCPC Refresher (Instructor Led/Classroom) - \$225

Campus	Building	Room	CRN	Dates	Days	Time
Highlands	UC	108	21397	January 6—May 2, 2020	T	Varies—see instructor

This course is only for students that previously completed the FCCPC I and II training but never completed the full requirements in order to receive the state issued FCCPC certificate. In addition to this course candidates must complete all of the required DCF FCCPC initial certificate requirements. to be eligible for the initial state issued FCCPC certificate. To register, call **863-784-7405**.

More Online Course Selections

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These high-quality courses are taught by industry experts and designed to quickly deliver specific skills and knowledge that help to advance personal or professional development. Our online classroom is informative, convenient, and highly interactive with 24/7 access. All classes start new every month and are in a six-week format. After successfully completing the course, you will earn a certificate of completion.

Below are just a few of our most popular continuing education courses from our library of over 50. You can complete your continuing education hours ONLINE at ed2go.com/sfsc.

Creating the Inclusive Classroom Strategies for Success - In this professional development course for teachers, you'll get the training you need to reach the diverse mix of students you face every day—learning proven strategies that turn diversity into opportunity.

An Introduction to Teaching ESL/EFL - Learn how to be an effective English language teacher from an expert in the field.

Differentiated Instruction in the Classroom - Improve your ability to teach diverse learners with real world examples from elementary, middle, and high school classrooms.

Guided Reading: Strategies for the Differentiated Classroom - Learn creative ways to bring differentiated instruction and guided reading to life in your classroom.

Integrating Technology in the Classroom - In this professional development course for teachers, you'll learn the secrets of technology integration in the classroom and across the curriculum, gaining the skills educators need to use tools such as apps, assistive technology, wikis, podcasts, and blogs effectively.

Solving Classroom Discipline Problems - This veteran teacher reveals the secrets to an orderly classroom and a step-by-step approach to effective, positive discipline.

Singapore Math Strategies: Model Drawing for Grades 1-6 - In this professional development course for teachers, you'll get the training you need to start teaching model drawing, the powerful Singapore Math strategy that uses word problems and visual context.

Singapore Math Strategies: Advanced Drawing for Grades 6-9 - Master model drawing, a revolutionary technique for teaching middle school math students how to triumph over word problems and learn to love math.

Singapore Math: Number Sense and Computational Strategies - In this teacher training course, you'll learn Singapore's innovative and practical strategies for solving addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division problems.

Writing for ESL - Learn how to write in English more effectively to succeed in college and at work.

Microsoft PowerPoint 2013 in the Classroom - In this course for teachers, you'll learn how to motivate students and enrich lessons by bringing Microsoft PowerPoint 2013 presentations into your classroom.

Creating a Classroom Website - Learn how to create a classroom website and how having one can make you a more effective and dynamic teacher.

Teaching ESL/EFL Reading - Discover practical techniques and methods for teaching reading in any ESL or EFL environment that will help you become a more confident and effective reading teacher.

Math Refresher - Gain confidence in your basic math skills and start using math to your advantage.

How to Get Started

1. Visit our Online Instruction Center: ed2go.com/sfsc
2. Click the Courses link, choose the department and course title you are interested in, and select the Enroll Now button. Follow the instructions to enroll and pay for your course. Here, you will enter your email and choose a password that will grant you access to the classroom.
3. When your course starts, return to our Online Instruction Center and click the Classroom link. To begin your studies, simply log in with your email and the password you selected during enrollment.

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Bowling Green, FL 33834
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Arcadia, FL 34266
863-993-1757

Lake Placid Center

500 East Interlake Boulevard
Lake Placid, FL 33852
863-465-3003

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South Florida State College is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC) to award the associate and baccalaureate degree. Contact SACSCOC at 1866 Southern Lane, Decatur, Georgia 30033-4097 or call 404-679-4500 for questions about the accreditation of South Florida State College.