

The EarlyEdU Alliance brings together higher education faculty and policymakers to create accessible and equitable pathways to increased qualifications for the early childhood workforce. Since 2015, over 3,700 individuals, institutions of higher education, and stakeholders have joined the EarlyEdU Alliance and are using EarlyEdU Alliance course resources to increase access to higher education and build competency-based professional learning for early learning educators across the nation.

Do you want to deliver professional development that makes a difference in practice?

EarlyEdU Alliance provides free access to a broad and deep range of high-quality content resources for our members. Our resources can be used to build or supplement your course or training curriculum. With content that includes assignments where educators demonstrate their learning in work settings, you can be assured that your content sticks and that educators find value in time spent in professional development.

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Having access to class instruction in an online format is making higher education doable for me.



EarlyEdU's impact study shows how students credit the use of EarlyEdU courses in an online format with allowing them to take college-level courses.

The EarlyEdU Approach

The EarlyEdU's Competency-Based Educator Development Model approach to course and educator development leverages the powerful pedagogical strategies of video analysis, formative feedback, and collaborative learning to activate the Know, See, Do, Reflect, and Improve components of the Intentional Teaching Framework (ITF).

The ITF helps develop educator competence using direct practice with children as the inroad to developing knowledge, skills, and dispositions.

Our resources support teachers to know what to do in the moment, accurately see effective teaching in themselves and others, apply these practices in the classroom, and reflect with others as professionals to identify what is and isn't working and improve their practice.



EarlyEdU is an alliance of faculty and state system leaders working to serve the early childhood workforce through innovative, effective, and equitable solutions. EarlyEdU offers the critical parts that individuals and organizations may need to increase the skill of instructors, offer access, and help ensure return on public and private investments in teaching and learning.

Competency- Based Content



Higher Education Courses

- 20+ complete and modifiable full-term courses
- Option to host on EarlyEdU Canvas or your LMS
- Embedded competencybased assignments
- Zero textbook costs

Professional Development Modules

- 3-5 hours of training with videos, handouts, and knowledge checks
- Standalone or supplement existing training

Instructor Development Resources

- Trauma Informed Care course for educators, English and Spanish
- Asynchronous online courses:
 EarlyEdU Approach, EarlyEdU
 Teaching Online

Video Analysis and Feedback Tools



EarlyEdU Alliance Media Library

- Contains 2500+ videos to use in training and teaching
- Real-world teacher-child interactions
- Observational videos, interviews, webisodes, lecture, multiple languages, and much more!

Coaching Companion Campus Edition

- A secure web-based video sharing and feedback platform that supports individualized and collaborative coaching to improve teaching and coaching practices
- Embedded in current online coursework

System Development



Custom Coach and Educator Community Interface (ceci)

- Coaching delivery and documentation
- Job-embedded learning and apprenticeships
- Alignment with early learning standards and teaching competencies
- Portfolio development
- Integration with state registries

DEI Audit Tool and Consultation

Revamp your courses to align with anti-racist and oppressionfree principles. The tool is free and tiered-pricing consultation is available.

Training and Technical Assistance

- Trauma Informed Care
- Practice-based Coaching Certificate program cohorts
- Technical assistance and consultation



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