

ECE 110 Professional Development Plan

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Do you want to be an ECI or ECP major? Why?	I want to become an ECP because growing up I was always interested in dealing with children. I've worked in daycares/summer camps back to back and thought it was very creative, caring and joyful. Getting to build bonds with children you don't know of can be tricky but as you get to know them, they become attached to you. They start to feel like children of your own helping children develop their needs is important and I would be honored to be a part of that because they look up to us.
What qualities do you have that will help you be successful working with your chosen age group?	The qualities I have that will help me become successful working with age group I chose is having a passion for children would be my most important quality. When entering this type of field, you must have the passion in teaching young children to help them meet their development stages. Having patience, when dealing with children they are filled with energy and curiosity. Communicating with them helps parents to identify their teachable moments and overcome them. Understanding the children as teachers we should be able to accept the different learning styles; they may have we would want to make sure no child feels left out and students feel achieved leaving the classroom.
What skills would you like to develop that will help you be successful working with your chosen age group?	The skills I would like to develop that will help me become successful are my communication skills sometimes I can be shy but I know when working this field there's no time for being shy I have to be open so when its time to communicate with parents, children, etc.. I must be aware of speaking up. Another skill I would like to develop is being organized I have to do things ahead of time to prepare myself and keep track of what I do this would help me for plan upcoming lessons for children.
What are your career goals?	My career goals was to become a neonatal nurse and but since it became a competition for me at that moment Early Childhood Education is my backup major, I want to involve children in my future career. What I had in mind was working or inventing my own daycare then later in life I would work in the nursing field that involves infants/toddlers.
What steps will you take at BMCC to help you reach those goals?	The steps I would take at BMCC to help reach my goals is making sure that I'm focused through out the semesters, make sure the lessons I learn in each ECE class I remember the important parts of working with young children mainly the developments. Make sure my e-portfolio is prepared and organized for future reference , people will look forward to looking at

	that for jobs & etc.. remembering the experience I had with BMCC would help me further my education with young children.