

Explore



Educational Studies

Education is the study of how human beings teach, learn, and develop values, skills, and character qualities. Study in this field is almost unlimited and includes infant care; child psychology and adolescent education; preschool, elementary, and secondary education; adult and parent education; education of the elderly; education of people who have disabilities; education of the disadvantaged;...and so on. * Excerpt from College Majors and Careers by Paul Pfifer

Areas to Explore

Pre-School . Community Services . Social Services . Business

Careers to Explore

Child Life Specialist . After-School Program Coordinator . Child Daycare Provider
Children's Advocate Coordinator . Pre-School Teacher . Case Manager . Librarian
Family Support Worker . Counselor . Social Worker . Recreation Center Director

Employers to Explore

Family Daycare Centers . Private Homes . YMCA . Community Centers . Summer Camps
Special Needs Programs . Retirement Homes . Hospitals . Adoption Agencies
Youth Services Agencies . Public Schools . Criminal Justice System

Career Planning Tactics

- Most entry-level positions only require a Bachelor's degree
- Obtain experience in working with youth by volunteering/working/interning at childcare facilities, schools, camps, hospitals and organizations that serve your population of interest
- Certifications in CPR, safety and first-aid are essential to most positions
- Consider pursuing certification for specialized areas including Child Advocacy and Child Life Specialist
- Direct client contact positions require advanced degrees
- Consider taking supplemental coursework in psychology or business

Resources:

[Occupational Outlook Handbook: Child Care Workers](#)

[Occupational Outlook Handbook: Social & Human Service Assistants](#)

[Occupational Outlook Handbook: Teachers—Preschool, Except Special Ed.](#)

[Educational Studies @ Belmont Abbey](#)

Professional Associations

[National Education Association](#)

[American Assoc. for Employment in Education](#)

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