

Online Early Childhood Development Pathways



SOU Online Pathway Benefits

- ➤ Increases access & affordability to Early Childhood Education degrees statewide
- > Creates a clear pathway for credit transfer
- > Addresses urban/rural divide relating to workforce development
- > Students stay in their community and jobs while earning their Bachelor's and Master's Degree
 - > Decreases turnover within current child care providers
 - > Students benefit financially and educationally from workforce engagement
 - > Supports continuity in relationships with children and families



SOU Partners with Community Colleges Statewide

- Portland Community College
- Clackamas Community College
- Mt. Hood Community College
- Linn Benton Community College
- Chemeketa Community College
- Lane Community College

- Umpqua Community College
- Central Oregon Community College
- Klamath Falls Community College
- Southwestern Oregon Community College
- Rogue Community College



Community College to SOU Degree Pathway







Program Outcomes

- > Approximately 100 Bachelor's degrees earned
- > 10 Master's of Education degrees awarded to date
- ➤ Graduates are currently employed in Head Start programs, local community child care centers, preschools, or opened their own home child care programs
- Over 60% of graduates live in rural communities