Recommended Education and Experience

- Bachelor's degree, preferably in a human services related field (such as psychology, special education, social work, or counseling)
- If degree is not in a human-services related field, must have accumulated credits at the undergraduate, graduate, or professional development level in a human-services related discipline or field

Settings

- Local agency
- Government agency
- Private practice
- Private consultant

Family Specialist/Counselor

- Develops partnerships with families to support children's learning, development, and well-being
- Shares information with families about the impact of learning activities on development
- Provides early childhood information and resources to families
- Advocates for the families as they seek counseling and/or services
- Connects families with parenting materials, websites, support groups, and community resources specific to their needs
- Collaborates with service providers and other family specialists/counselors in the community to ensure that families get needed services

Recommended Education

Entry Level:

 Associate degree in an early childhood related field with 1 to 2 years' experience

Professional Level:

 Bachelor's or master's degree in an early childhood related field with 5 or more years' experience

Settings

- Corporation
- Government Agency
- *Head Start or *Early Head Start
- Healthy Families
- Non-profit organization
- Parents as Teachers
- *Different programs may have different minimum requirements.

Community College Instructor— Non-Credit Adjunct

- Familiar with online instructional strategies and best practices
- Able to initiate and develop a project/program from beginning to end with minimal supervision
- Have strong documentation and organizational skills related to data collection, analysis, and use
- Able to use college standard computerized data systems and a variety of data and word processing software
- Excellent written, oral, and interpersonal communication skills

Minimum Required Education and Experience

- Associate's degree in Early Childhood with
 5 to 10 years' experience
- Bachelor's degree preferred with 3 to 5 years' experience
- Some experience in teaching adults

Settings

Community college

Community College Instructor— Instructional Specialist in Child Care Training

- Responsibilities include teaching noncredit child care classes, designing and developing curriculum in child care training, and advising and supporting students
- Knowledge of assessment, curriculum development, and/or curriculum design in child care

- Ability to deliver instruction in nontraditional setting using various delivery methods
- Intermediate computer skills in Microsoft Office and Internet required.

Minimum Required Education and Experience

- Master's degree in education required (early childhood education preferred)
- Three years' experience in teaching child care training courses
- Experience in assessment, curriculum development, and/or curriculum design in child care
- Experience in delivering instruction in non-traditional setting using various delivery modes

Settings

Community college

