

**Program Report for the  
Initial Preparation of Early Childhood Teachers  
National Association for the Education for Young Children (NAEYC)**

**NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR ACCREDITATION OF TEACHER EDUCATION**

**C O V E R   S H E E T**

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**Program documented in this report:**

**Name of institution's program (s)** Early Childhood Development

**Grade levels for which candidates are being prepared** birth to age 8

**Degree or award level** Bachelor of Science

**Is this program offered at more than one site?** ☐ **Yes**    ☒ **No**

If yes, list the sites at which the program is offered \_\_\_\_\_

**Title of the state license for which candidates are prepared**

NH State Certification in Early Childhood (birth to age 8)

**Program report status:**

☒ **Initial Review**

☐ **Response to a Not Recognized Decision**

☐ **Response to National Recognition With Conditions**

☐ **Response to a Deferred Decision**

**State licensure requirement for national recognition:**

NCATE requires 80% of the program completers who have taken the test to pass the applicable state licensure test for the content field, if the state has a testing requirement. Test information and data must be reported in Section III. Does your state require such a test?

☐ **Yes**    ☒ **No**

The state does not require Early Childhood program completers to take a licensure exam to obtain their teaching certification. Early Childhood PRAXIS II has not been validated in New Hampshire as of September 2006. Our state does require teachers in public K-3 settings to take the Elementary Education PRAXIS II to achieve Highly Qualified status, beginning in fall 2005.