

Little Kits Early Learning Internship Program



This 12-month, paid program is your gateway to a job or career advancement in early childhood learning in Central Oregon.

APPLY NOW
Open enrollment

In a career development program designed especially for those interested in or currently working with young children, you'll provide care and enrichment for infants to children age 5. A classroom teacher and your faculty mentor will help you learn skills in early learning that you can apply immediately to a job in Central Oregon. Participants receive:

- **\$16.38/hour** while working in your career field for 20 hours a week
- Up to 45 academic credits, **saving up to \$12,000 in tuition and fees** (based on enrollment)
- **Career placement advising** after completion, helping you find a teaching position at a Little Kits Early Learning Center or partner child care center in Deschutes County
- Experience that **meets state ELD qualifications** to be an early learning child care teacher

WHO CAN APPLY?

Individuals who aspire to work in early childhood education following program completion.

- High school graduates interested in a career in early learning
- Teachers' aides seeking to fulfill Oregon Early Learning Division requirements for teachers.
- Initial preference given to students in:
 - OSU-Cascades HDFS early learning program
 - COCC Early Childhood Education program

REQUIREMENTS

- Age 18 or older
- Meet minimum admission requirements at OSU-Cascades or COCC
- Complete a Criminal History Check

FOR INFORMATION

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LITTLE KITS EARLY LEARNING CENTERS

OSU-Cascades and COCC are developing an early learning center to serve Central Oregon families, which will be located on the OSU-Cascades campus in Bend. The center will leverage faculty in early childhood, provide care for infants to children age 5, and offer internships and employment. Currently, the center is operating as Little Beavs out of a temporary facility.

Kits are the young of beavers and bobcats, the schools' mascots!

We value your commitment to early learning and are here to support your career development.

