

## Credential In After School Education

Designed for professionals working with children in after school settings.

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*“The course provided important information about standards and procedures that I’ll be able to productively incorporate into any program in which I’m involved. I’m sure the knowledge will be invaluable as I grow in my position and career.”*

RG, Director and Head Teacher, '07

## About Charter Oak State College

Charter Oak is a Connecticut State College established in 1973 to help adult learners achieve their educational and career goals through time-flexible and economical degree completion programs. These programs have earned Charter Oak nationwide recognition as the college that offers “degrees without boundaries”. Our institution is accredited by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges.

*“I value the new knowledge I’ve gained about ongoing activity planning. I’ve been able to continually provide my staff new activity ideas and information that have been instrumental in allowing our program to grow and flourish.”*

TF, Youth Program Director, '07

### To learn more about the Credential In After School Education

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The Credential In After School Education (CASE) is a professional certification program developed through a collaboration among Charter Oak State College, the Connecticut After School Network, and Connecticut Charts-a-Course. It establishes educational and experiential competency standards for specialists in the care and education of children and youth, ages 5-15, outside of school hours.

**Credential requirements target teaching expertise, program management and professional skills that enable after school personnel to:**

- Establish and maintain a safe, healthy learning environment
- Advance children's physical and intellectual competence
- Support social and emotional development and provide positive guidance
- Establish positive and productive relationships with families
- Ensure a well-run, purposeful program that is responsive to participant needs
- Maintain a commitment to professionalism

Requirements for the Credential consist of four courses, including two courses focused on the development of children and youth ages 5-15, and two courses in program development and supervision; as well as a field experience practicum with documented experience in after school care totaling 240 hours, and submission of a professional resource file.

## Education Requirement

**Required first course:**

ASE255: Introduction to After School Care and Education

**The following three courses may be completed in any order:**

ASE260: Program Environment & Curriculum Development in After School Education

ASE265: Child and Adolescent Development

ASE270: Supervision and Leadership in After School Education

Courses are offered on line by Charter Oak State College. For course schedules and fees, go to <http://www.charteroak.edu/Prospective/Online/index.cfm>.

## Experience Requirement

All students must present documentation of 240 hours of experience in after school care. Those students who already have this experience must take a one-credit course that will help them to document their experience. This will be done on an individual basis and will include review of a professional resource file (a professional portfolio). Students who do not have the required prior experience must take a three-credit field experience practicum to earn the 240 hours and to have their professional resource file reviewed.

## Fees (2007-2008)

**The cost of the Credential includes:**

Application Fee: .....\$ 60  
 Registration Fee: .....\$ 40 / term

**Required Courses (per course):**

CT Resident.....\$ 531  
 Non-resident .....\$ 741

**Field Experience Course**

One (1) credit  
 CT Resident .....\$ 177  
 Non-resident .....\$ 247

Three (3) credits  
 CT Resident .....\$ 531  
 Non-resident .....\$ 741

For information about the Credential, evaluation of out-of-state credentials or credit for documentation of prior learning, contact: Carole Weisberg, phone 860-832-3933, fax 860-832-3999, email [cweisberg@charteroak.edu](mailto:cweisberg@charteroak.edu).

*If you have interest in completing your bachelor's degree, Charter Oak will offer a concentration in Child and Youth Development beginning Fall, 2007. The concentration builds on the four core courses of the Credential In After School Education.*

