

## **Pathways to Education Careers**

Education is a growing industry in Washington State. Yet K-12, environmental and outdoor education employers struggle to find applicants with the skills needed to enter teaching and education fields.

PEI's statewide equivalency Education through Outdoor Learning course sequence prepares the next generation to succeed in education-related careers through and with engaged, hands-on outdoor learning. Each course is designed to pair students' class time with teaching practice at local schools or outdoor sites.



#### **Standards Alignment:**

- Designed for use in Career and Technical Education (CTE) programs
- Family and Consumer
  Science National Standards
- 21st Century Skills
- English Language Arts (ELA)
- Education and Training Career Cluster
- Recruiting Washington Teachers
- PESB Para Certification

#### **Sequence Overview:**

- Introduction to Education through Outdoor Learning
  - 1 credit English Language
    Arts (ELA)
- Advanced Education through Outdoor Learning
  - o 1 credit ELA
  - Designed for dual credit

#### **Course Units Include:**

- Safe and healthy learning communities
- Connections to place
- Accessibility to the outdoors
- Sustainability and stewardship
- Exploring education concepts
- Culturally sustaining pedagogies
- Teaching methods
- Planning for instruction
- Career pathways
- Immersive learning experience

### **Partners Include:**

















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# Entry Level Skills Valued by Education Employers:

- Interpersonal skills
- Cultural competency
- Instructional skills
- Outdoor & environmental knowledge
- Critical thinking
- Patience & empathy
- Adaptability & flexibility
- Organization & time management



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