



## **Admission and Application Overview**

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The application for the LCTP is posted early spring semester. Applicants are informed of acceptance decisions by the first week of June. Admission to the LCTP is based on the information provided by the applicant's program application, college transcripts, essay and letters of recommendation. An in-person interview or conversation over the phone with the interested applicant and the Program Director is recommended as part of the application process. A degree is not required for admission to the program. Students must have completed the majority of the prerequisite courses as outlined by the Pathway Two Program guidelines set forth by the International Board of Lactation Consultant Examiners (IBLCE).

Prerequisite courses:

- Biology
- Human Anatomy
- Human Physiology
- Growth/Development
- Nutrition
- Psychology/Communication
- Introduction to Research
- Sociology/Anthropology

An applicant may still be considered for admission if one or two of the listed prerequisite classes has not been completed prior to the beginning of the program. It is expected that individuals in this situation provide evidence of enrollment in the remaining prerequisite classes prior to beginning the LCTP, and must show proof of successful completion. Failure to successfully complete the outstanding class will result in dismissal from the program.

It is imperative to recognize that transcripts submitted are reviewed only for application and admissions purposes, it is the responsibility of the student to ensure that his or her prerequisite classes meet the requirements for the IBCLC exam.

Please reference this link: [click here](#) for more information or reach out to the Program Manager, Lugenia Grider ([lgrider@jcsu.edu](mailto:lgrider@jcsu.edu)).

JCSU offers all of the required prerequisites:

<b>IBLCE Required Courses (from an accredited institution of higher learning)</b>	<b>Course Offering at JCSU through Metropolitan College this Fall</b>
Biology	Bio 143 (Thursdays 5:30-9pm)
Human Anatomy & Physiology	Bio 240 (Thursday 5:30-9pm)
Infant Child Growth and Development	Psy 235 (Tuesday & Thursday 12-1:15pm)
Introduction to Clinical Research/Introductory Statistics	*MATH 136 (Monday, Wednesday, Friday 1-1:50pm) (This is traditional 16 week course)
Nutrition	Hed 231 (online) (This is traditional 16 week course)
Psychology or Counseling Skills or Communication Skills	Com 130 (Mondays & Wednesdays 8:30-11am) (Mondays & Wednesdays 12-2:30pm) (Thursdays 8:30-11am) (Thursdays 12-2:30pm) (Thursdays 5:30-8pm)  Psy 131 (Mondays & Wednesdays 8:10-10:40pm)
Sociology or Cultural Sensitivity or Cultural Anthropology	Soc 131 (Mondays & Wednesdays 5:30-8pm)
<b>IBLCE Required Subjects (may be obtained from an institution of higher learning or continuing education courses)</b>	
Basic Life Support (CPR, ADE) Medical Documentation Medical Terminology Occupational Safety and Security for Health Professionals Professional Ethics for Health Professionals Universal Safety Precautions and Infection Control	The Lactation Consultant Training Program orientation will discuss how to obtain these courses

**\*Note\* The 6 IBLCE Required Subjects (at the bottom of the chart) are included in the program.**

Accepted students are expected to participate in an orientation in July that will address all of the required paperwork and health/immunization requirements. Students may not begin the program without the timely completion of all paperwork and submission of tuition and fees.

Additionally, students are expected to attend an orientation in the beginning of August and another workshop held immediately prior to the start of the spring semester. Attendance at these workshops is mandatory and no exceptions will be made.