

Credentials - Breastfeeding/Lactation Educator/Counselor

Credential Name	Organization	Hours of Education	Available Online
Breastfeeding Counselor (BC)	Georgia Northwestern Technical College	12 college credits	
Breastfeeding Counselor (BFC)	Childbirth International	?	Yes
Breastfeeding Educator	Global Lactation Education Associates	45	Yes
Certified Blactation Educator (BE)	The B.L.A.C.K Course	45 or 50	Yes
Certified Breastfeeding Counselor (CBC)	International Breastfeeding Institute	40	Yes
Certified Breastfeeding Educator (CBE)	Lactation Literacy	48	Yes
Certified Breastfeeding Specialist (CBS)	Lactation Education Resources	54.5	Yes
Certified Lactation Educator (CLE)	Childbirth & Postpartum Professional Association	20	Yes
Certified Lactation Specialist (CLS)	Lactation Education Consultants	45	Yes
Certified Lactation Educator Specialist (CLES)	Breastfeed LA	45	Yes
Certified Lactation Counselor (CLC)	Healthy Children Project	95	Yes
Clinical and Communication Lactation Specialist (CCLS)	LactaLearning	95	No
Community Breastfeeding Specialist	Michigan Breastfeeding Network	45	Yes
Indigenous Lactation Counselor (ILC)	Indigenous Lactation Counselor	45	No
Lactation Education Counselor (LEC)	UC San Diego Extension	95	Yes
Lactation Educator (LE) <i>in-person only</i>	Bastyr University	45	No
Lactation Counselor & Educator (LCE)	LactaLearning	45 or 50	No
Military Lactation Counselor (MiLC)	Global Military Lactation Community	66.5	Hybrid