# Environment Rating Scales (ERS) Courses

## Utah’s ERS Best Practice Series

The Environment Rating Scales are research-based early childhood observation tools that view child development from a comprehensive point of view, examining a wide variety of areas that contribute to positive child development. They are also the tools used for Child Care Quality System (CCQS) evaluations in Utah. Taught exclusively by Specialists who are reliable in the ERS tools, this series of courses aligns the tools with best practices on how children develop and learn.

It is highly recommended to take the “ERS — Overview of the Scales” course prior to registering for any other ERS courses.

### OVER 30 courses available in the series!

- Interactions
- Language
- Personal Care Routines
- Schedules and Transitions
- Discipline
- Free Play
- Guidance
- Space and Furnishings
- Motor Development and the Arts
- Math, and more!

### Find courses on the tool that applies most to your setting:

#### Infant and Toddler Environment Rating Scale
- **ITERS-3**
  - Children birth through 2 years of age (up to 35 months)
  - Center based child care settings

#### Early Childhood Environment Rating Scale
- **ECERS-3**
  - Children 3 through 5 years of age
  - Center based child care settings

#### Family Child Care Environment Rating Scale
- **FCCERS-3**
  - Children birth through 12 years of age
  - Family child care homes

To register for available ERS Best Practice Series courses, go to the Course Calendar on the Care About Childcare (CAC) website: [https://jobs.utah.gov/occ/cac.html](https://jobs.utah.gov/occ/cac.html)

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