



Early Childhood
& Education

CHILD DEVELOPMENT

- Associate of Science in Child Development (AS)
- Certificate of Achievement in Child Development

The associate in science degree in child development is designed to prepare students to work with young children in a variety of early care and education settings. Upon completion of the A.S. degree, a student possesses the course work required to work as a teacher in both private and public early care and education settings serving preschool-age children. Additionally, students completing documented work experience are eligible to apply for the California Child Development Permit through the Commission of Teacher Credentialing at either the Teacher, Master Teacher or Site Supervisor Level which qualifies the student to work in a State of California funded (Title 5) early care and education program.

If planning to transfer to CSU or UC may need to complete additional requirements .

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SEMESTER 1

COURSE NUMBER	COURSE TITLE	UNITS	ADVISING/ACTION NOTES (including elective suggestions, support services, embedded certificates etc.)
ECE 1	Principles and Practices of Teaching Young Children	3	
ECE 2	Child Growth and Development	3	
ENGL 1A/1AH	Reading and Composition	4	Visit the Reading and Writing Center
COMM 1/1H or 8	Public Speaking or Group Communication	3	
GE REQ	Art	3	Discuss with your counselor/advisor options for General Education and Electives
	TOTAL UNITS	16	Visit the Career and Tutorial Centers

SEMESTER 2

COURSE NUMBER	COURSE TITLE	UNITS	ADVISING/ACTION NOTES (including elective suggestions, support services, embedded certificates etc.)
ECE 3	Introduction to Curriculum	3	Requires 36 hours of lab
ECE 4	Child, Family and Community	3	
MATH 45	Contemporary Mathematics	3	Consult with counselor if planning to transfer to UC
HISTORY 11 or 12	History of the United States	3	
GE REQ	Humanities	3-4	Recommend ASL or Spanish
	TOTAL UNITS	15-16	Meet with your counselor to finalize your Student Education Plan (SEP)

This map is intended to be used as a tool in discussion with your counselor for the creation of your personalized Student Education Plan (SEP).

SUMMER

COURSE NUMBER	COURSE TITLE	UNITS	ADVISING/ACTION NOTES (including elective suggestions, support services, embedded certificates etc.)
POLSCI 2	American Government	3	
ECE 14	Lifespan Development	3	
	TOTAL UNITS	6	<i>Must take summer courses to finish in two years</i>

SEMESTER 3

COURSE NUMBER	COURSE TITLE	UNITS	ADVISING/ACTION NOTES (including elective suggestions, support services, embedded certificates etc.)
ECE 5	Observation and Assessment	3	
ECE 6	Health Safety and Nutrition in Early Childhood Education	3	
CHDEV	Lab	3	<i>ECE 60 (School Age), ECE 16 (Associate Teacher) or CECE 20 (Infant Toddler)</i>
GE REQ	Critical Thinking	3	<i>Discuss with your counselor/advisor options for General Education and Electives</i>
GE REQ	Biological Science/Lab	4	
	TOTAL UNITS	16	<i>Consult with your Advisor on appropriate Lab class</i>

SEMESTER 4

COURSE NUMBER	COURSE TITLE	UNITS	ADVISING/ACTION NOTES (including elective suggestions, support services, embedded certificates etc.)
ECE 8	Early Childhood Practicum	3	<i>Requires 108 hours of lab</i>
ECE 7	Diversity and Culture in Early Child Care and Education Programs	3	
ELECTIVE	CHDEV 49 or 12	3	<i>See Advisor/Counselor for elective recommendations</i>
SOC 32	Courtship, Marriage and Divorce	3	
	TOTAL UNITS	12	<i>Apply for Graduation with your degree and certificate</i>

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Students in this program may pursue careers as:
Preschool Teachers, Child Care

