

EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

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Early Childhood Education: Associate in Science for Transfer (AS-T)

The Associate in Science in Early Childhood Education for Transfer (AS-T in Early Childhood Education) is designed to provide a clear pathway to a CSU institution for students who plan to transfer and complete a CSU major or baccalaureate degree in Early Childhood Education. California Community College students who are awarded an Associate in Science in Early Childhood Education for Transfer (AS-T in Early Childhood Education) are guaranteed admission with junior standing somewhere in the CSU system and given priority admission consideration to their local CSU institution or to a program that is deemed similar to their community college major. This priority does not guarantee admission to specific majors or institutions.

Students who complete this program will possess a working knowledge of child development in all domains, and will have the ability to develop and implement curriculum in early childhood education that is both developmentally and culturally appropriate. Students will understand the importance of the family and cultural connection to the developing child.

Program Learning Outcomes:

- Demonstrate knowledge of child development theory and its application to Early Care and Education by identifying key developmental theorists and recognizing children's developmental stages.
- Demonstrate competence in facilitating the development of each young child as a unique individual through the creation of individual and group curriculum that promotes physical, cognitive and/or socio-emotional development.
- Achieve eligibility for certification of an Early Childhood Education Permit from the California State Department of Education through the completion of at least six units of early childhood development coursework.

Career/Transfer Opportunities:

Courses meet entry level educational requirements in early childhood programs per California licensing policies. Students wishing to pursue higher level careers in early childhood programs, human development, child psychology, social work, and secondary education should see a counselor to determine the transfer requirements of specific four-year colleges or universities.

To earn this degree, students must meet the following requirements:

Core Requirement Courses (24 Units):		Units
CHD 001	Child Growth and Development	3.0
CHD 002	Child, Family, and Community	3.0
CHD 010	Principles and Practices in Education	3.0
CHD 013	Teaching in a Diverse Society	3.0
CHD 015	Observation and Assessment of Children	3.0
CHD 017	Child Health, Safety and Nutrition	3.0
CHD 026	Introduction to Curriculum	3.0
CHD 008A*	Practicum A	3.5

*Must complete CHD 001, 002, 026 and 010 prior to enrolling in CHD 008A

Required Units for the Major: 24.5

Completion of General Education Requirements and electives as needed to reach 60 units.

Total Required Units 60.0

1. Completion of 60 degree applicable units with an overall GPA of 2.0.
2. Completion of a minimum of 18 semester units in the major with a grade of C (or P) or better.
3. Completion of the AA/AS Graduation Requirements, CSU GE-B or IGETC.