

CERTIFICATE IN CHILD DEVELOPMENT TEACHER

Courses in this certificate lead to the A.S. Degree in Child Development (<http://catalog.citruscollege.edu/disciplines/child-development/child-development-as/>) or careers in the field of child development and early childhood education.

Completion of the program prepares students to work as a child development aide, assistant teacher, or teacher in a variety of early childhood programs.

Learning Outcomes

Certificate of Achievement Level Student Learning Outcomes

Students completing the Child Development Teacher Certificate of Achievement will:

1. Acquire knowledge and foundational skills necessary to work in the teaching profession.
2. Design, implement and evaluate environments and activities that support positive, developmental play and learning outcomes for children.
3. Demonstrate the ability to identify, analyze, and apply theories of early childhood education and child development.
4. Apply effective guidance and teaching strategies that support social growth, learning, and identity development and promote self-confidence.

Requirements

Code	Title	Units
Required courses:		
CHLD 110	Early Childhood Development	3
or PSY 206	Child Growth and Development	
CHLD 112	Principles of Early Childhood Education I	3
CHLD 114	Home-Child-Community Relations	3
CHLD 154	Observing and Recording Behavior	3
Select nine (9) units from the following:		
CHLD 116	Introduction to Curriculum	3
CHLD 120	Literacy for Children	3
CHLD 121	Art for Children	3
CHLD 122	Music and Rhythms for Children	2
CHLD 123	Science Experiences for Children	2
CHLD 124	Math for Children	2
CHLD 134	Parent-Child Interaction	3
CHLD 144	Health, Safety and Nutrition for Young Children	3

Code	Title	Units
CHLD 150	Teaching in a Diverse Society	3
CHLD 160	Perceptual Motor and Movement Activities	2
CHLD 164	The Child with Special Needs	3
CHLD 166	Speech and Language Development and Disorders	2

Required supervised teaching experience:

CHLD 156	Practicum in Early Childhood Education	2
CHLD 156L	Practicum Lab	1

Also required:

16 units of General Education (GE): one course minimum in each of the following categories - English/language arts, math or science, social sciences, humanities and/or fine arts, any general education elective excluding kinesiology (KIN). These GE courses must qualify for graduation credit. Please see an academic counselor or adviser.

Total Units **40**

Permit Information

This Certificate meets the educational requirements for the Teacher Permit through the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing. All coursework must be completed with the grade of "C" or better to meet permit requirements. In order to apply for the State Permit, students must complete 175 days of three or more hours per day of qualifying work experience with young children within four years. See California Commission on Teacher Credentialing (<http://www.ctc.ca.gov>) for details.

Curriculum Map

1.5-Year Curriculum Map Example

This map represents one possible pathway through the program and is only for reference.

*It is highly recommended that you make an appointment (<https://www.citruscollege.edu/stdntsrvcounsel/Pages/ApptSchedule.aspx>) to create a customized education plan that fits your needs.

Note: Additional 16 units of General Education (GE) required: one course minimum in each of the following categories - English/language arts, math or science, social sciences, humanities and/or fine arts, any general education elective excluding kinesiology (KIN). These GE courses must qualify for graduation credit. Please see an academic counselor or adviser.

Course	Title	Units
Fall Term 1		
CHLD 112	Principles of Early Childhood Education I	3
CHLD 114	Home-Child-Community Relations	3
CHLD 110 or PSY 206	Early Childhood Development or Child Growth and Development	3
Units		9
Winter Term 1		
CHLD 150	Teaching in a Diverse Society	3
Units		3

Course	Title	Units
Spring Term 1		
CHLD 144	Health, Safety and Nutrition for Young Children	3
CHLD 164	The Child with Special Needs	3
CHLD 154	Observing and Recording Behavior	3
CHLD 166	Speech and Language Development and Disorders	2
Units		11
Summer Term 1		
CHLD 156	Practicum in Early Childhood Education	2
CHLD 156L	Practicum Lab	1
Units		3
Total Units		26

Career Information

Career Opportunities

There are a variety of careers you can do with this major.

To explore more about this major, schedule an appointment (<https://www.citruscollege.edu/stdntsrvc/ctcenter/Pages/ApptSchedule.aspx>) with a career counselor.