

# CHILD DEVELOPMENT: EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION - ASSOCIATE IN ARTS

Plan Code: 1302

This program is designed for students preparing to work with infants, toddlers, pre-school or school-age children in a group setting as an assistant, teacher, master teacher, site supervisor, or center director. An A.A. degree in Child Development fulfills the state education requirement for a fully qualified teacher in a public or private early childhood setting.

## Program Student Learning Outcomes

- Demonstrate the ability to attain the Institutional Student Learning Outcomes (ISLOs).
- Apply a variety of effective approaches, strategies, and techniques for teaching in an early childhood classroom.
- Design, implement, and evaluate curriculum and environments based on observation and assessment of young children.
- Analyze personal teaching experiences to guide and inform practices.

## Program Requirements

This degree requires the completion of General Education coursework plus the following:

Complete Levels 1, 2, 3, and 4 and choose ONE area of focused study.

Code Number	Course Title	Units
<b>REQUIRED COURSES</b>		
<b>Level 1</b>		
CDECE 45 or CDECE 47	Child & Adolescent Development DS1 Human Development	3
CDECE 48	Child, Family and Community D2	3
CDLL 52	Fieldwork/Preschool Techniques	3
<b>Level 2</b>		
CDECE 19	Health, Safety and Nutrition DS7	3
CDECE 50	Intro to Curriculum for Young Children	3
CDECE 53	Principles and Practices	3
CDECE 61	Teaching in a Diverse Society D3	3
<b>Level 3</b>		
CDECE 66	Observation and Assessment DS3	3
<b>Level 4</b>		
CDECE 68	Practicum D3	3
<b>Subtotal Units</b>		<b>27</b>

IN ADDITION, complete ONE area of focused study from the following:

- Child Behavior Option
- Curriculum Option
- Family Child Care Option
- Infant/Toddler Option
- Early Literacy Option
- Special Needs Option
- Administration (Advanced Level) Option

<b>Subtotal Units</b>	<b>6-9</b>
<b>Required Subtotal</b>	<b>33-36</b>
Complete one of the following: <sup>1</sup>	19-39
LBCC General Education (Plan A) ( <a href="https://lbcc-public.courseleaf.com/academic-requirements/general-education-transfer-degree-certificate-requirements/general-education-plans/plan-a/">https://lbcc-public.courseleaf.com/academic-requirements/general-education-transfer-degree-certificate-requirements/general-education-plans/plan-a/</a> )	
CSU GE Breadth (Plan B) ( <a href="https://lbcc-public.courseleaf.com/academic-requirements/general-education-transfer-degree-certificate-requirements/general-education-plans/plan-b/">https://lbcc-public.courseleaf.com/academic-requirements/general-education-transfer-degree-certificate-requirements/general-education-plans/plan-b/</a> )	
IGETC Pattern (Plan C) ( <a href="https://lbcc-public.courseleaf.com/academic-requirements/general-education-transfer-degree-certificate-requirements/general-education-plans/plan-c/">https://lbcc-public.courseleaf.com/academic-requirements/general-education-transfer-degree-certificate-requirements/general-education-plans/plan-c/</a> )	
Electives (as needed to reach 60 degree-applicable units) <sup>2</sup>	
<b>Minimum Degree Total</b>	<b>60</b>

<sup>1</sup> Units for the major may be double-counted for LBCC GE, CSU GE, or IGETC; see counselor for limitations.

<sup>2</sup> Elective units from course(s) numbered 1-599, if needed, to reach 60 degree-applicable units.

## Child Behavior Option

Code Number	Course Title	Units
CDECE 59	Guiding Young Children DS3	3
CDECE 259	Challenging Behavior in Early Childhood	3
<b>Subtotal Units</b>		<b>6</b>

## Curriculum Option

Code Number	Course Title	Units
CDECE 54	Art & Creative Dev. in Early Childhood D3	3
CDECE 55	Music & Movement in Early Childhood D3	3
CDECE 57	Constructivist STEM Ed Early Childhood	3
<b>Subtotal Units</b>		<b>9</b>

## Family Child Care Option

Code Number	Course Title	Units
CDFDC 212A	Family Child Care Management A	3
CDFDC 212B	Family Child Care Management B	3
<b>Subtotal Units</b>		<b>6</b>

## Infant/Toddler Option

Code Number	Course Title	Units
CDECE 40	Infant and Toddler Development D4	3
CDECE 41	Care and Education of Infants and Toddlers D4	3
<b>Subtotal Units</b>		<b>6</b>

## Early Literacy Option

Code Number	Course Title	Units
CDECE 34	Children's Literature DS3	3
CDECE 58	Language & Literacy in Early Childhood	3
<b>Subtotal Units</b>		<b>6</b>

## Special Needs Option

Code Number	Course Title	Units
CDSED 5	Community Resources/Special Education	3
CDSED 67	Intro to Children with Special Needs	3
CDSED 70	Curriculum for Special Needs	3
<b>Subtotal Units</b>		<b>9</b>

## Administration (Advanced Level) Option

Code Number	Course Title	Units
CDECE 31	Adult Supervision	2
CDECE 60A	Admin of Child Development Programs D6	3
CDECE 60B	Advanced Supervision of ECE D6	3
<b>Subtotal Units</b>		<b>8</b>

## Other Program Requirements for the Associate Degree and Certificate of Achievement

**STATE MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS (Title 22):** This program satisfies the State of California licensing requirement for employment in early childhood education programs (private, church, industrial, coop). The minimum Title 22 licensing requirement to work as a teacher is that six units be completed before employment and that an additional six units be completed immediately thereafter. It is recommended that the requirement for courses in DS 1\* and DS 2\* be satisfied with at least three semester units in each category. It is also recommended that a minimum of six semester units be taken in the DS 3\* -Program/Curriculum with the option that if the person is working specifically with infants or school-age children that they should apply three units in DS 4\* or DS 5\* towards these six units. The DS designation can be found following the course title.

**CHILD DEVELOPMENT PERMIT (formerly called Children's Center Permit) (Title 5):** The Early Childhood Certificate program, plus 16 units in general education including one course in humanities, social sciences, mathematics, and/or science, and English, and an experience component, satisfies the requirements for a Teacher level Child Development Permit required to teach in subsidized early childhood education programs (State or Headstart preschool programs run by school districts). To apply for your state Child Development Permit call 562-938-4792 or email [jfrumkin@lbcc.edu](mailto:jfrumkin@lbcc.edu) for an appointment.