



Social and Behavioral Sciences Career and Academic Pathways (CAPs) Program Map: Associate in Science Degree for Transfer for Early Childhood Education

Total number of units: 60 units

Top Code/Academic Plan: 1305.00

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Semester 1	Course Code	Course	Units	Notes	Advising Notes
Program/GE Course	CH DEV 001	Child Growth and Development	3	This course meets IGETC 4 and CSU D9 E requirements.	Online sections and 8 week options are available.
Program Course	CH DEV 002	Early Childhood: Principles and Practices	3		Online sections and 8 week options are available.
Program Course	CH DEV 003	Creative Experiences for Children I	3	This is a required prerequisite for CH DEV 022. It also meets CSU C1 requirements.	8 week options are available.
Program/GE Course	ENGLISH 101	College Reading and Composition I	3	This course meets CSU GE Area A2. College level English and Math should be completed within the first year of study. Follow placement guidance in the application process, or meet with a counselor to find the right course level.	Online sections are available.

Total Units 12

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Program Course	CH DEV 011	Home, School and Community Relations	3	This course meets CSU D7 E, and is UC transferrable. You may be eligible to apply for the Associate Teacher Certificate 1 after completing this course sequence. Meet with a counselor and the financial aid office to ensure continued financial aid.	Online sections and 8 week options are available.

Total Units 3

Semester 2	Course Code	Course	Units	Notes	Advising Notes
Program Course	CH DEV 004	Creative Experiences for Children II	3	This is a required Core Course prerequisite for CH DEV 022. It also meets CSU C1.	8 week options are available.
Program Course	CH DEV 010	Health, Safety and Nutrition	3	This course is CSU transferrable.	Online sections are available.
Program Course	CH DEV 034	Observing and Recording Children's Behavior	3	This course is CSU Transferrable. Students must show proof of TB clearance, flu shot, MMR and Tdap immunizations.	Online sections are available.
GE Course	AREA B1	Any Science Course	3	This course meets CSU GE Area B1.	Online sections are available.

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Program Course	CH DEV 042	The Child in a Diverse Society	3	This course CSU Transferrable.	Online sections are available.

Total Units 3

Semester 3	Course Code	Course	Units	Notes	Advising Notes
Program Course	CH DEV 022	Practicum in Child Development I	4	This class has Prerequisites: CH DEV 001, 002, 003, 004, 010, 011, and 034. Students must show proof of TB clearance, flu shot, MMR and Tdap immunizations. You may be eligible to apply for the Teacher Certificate 2 after class completion. Meet with a counselor and the financial aid office to ensure continued financial aid.	This class is only offered in the Fall and Spring semesters. Students will need to complete 108 hours of interaction with students; plan your schedule accordingly.
Program Course	CH DEV 007	Introduction to Curriculum in Early Childhood Education	3		

Semester 3	Course Code	Course	Units	Notes	Advising Notes
GE Course	Area B4	Any Math Course	3	MATH 215 or higher is recommended. This course meets CSU GE Area B4.	
GE Course	Area B2	Any Science Course	3		Online sections are available.
GE Course	Area B3	Any Science Course with Lab	2		Online sections are available.

Total Units 15

Intersession	Course Code	Course	Units	Notes	Advising Notes
GE Course	COMM 101	Public Speaking	3	This course meets CSU GE Area A1.	

Total Units 3

Semester 4	Course Code	Course	Units	Notes	Advising Notes
Program Course	FAM & CS	FAM & CS 006, 021, 031, or 091	3	FAM & CS 006, 021 & 091 meet CSU E, FAM & CS 031 meets IGETC 4G 4J and CSU D7 E.	Online sections and 8 week options are available.
GE Course	HISTORY	History 006, 011, 012, or 082	3	This course meets CSU GE Area C2.	Online sections are available.
GE Course	POLI SCI 001	The Government of the United States	3	This course meets IGETC and CSU GE Area D, and also requires CSULA Major Prep in CD.	Online sections are available.
GE Course	Area A3	Any CSU GE Area A3 course	3	English 102 is recommended. This course meets CSU GE Area A3.	

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Degree Path and Requirements:

This degree program is an excellent choice for someone wanting to pursue a career in care, administration, or program planning in the field of Child Development. Early education programming is shaped by individuals with this type of background.

Department Advising Notes:

We suggest working toward at least 1 Child Development certificate while in the process of this degree. (See all options below). Upon completion of these classes and required volunteer/work hours, you may be eligible to apply for several certificates. Students can choose to take accelerated 8-week versions of most classes, and can complete 3 certificates in just 3 semesters: Associate Teacher 1, Infant and Toddler Emphasis, and Children with Special Needs on their way to completing this program. Semester 1: CH DEV 001, 002, 044, 045, Intersession: CH DEV 011, Semester 2: CH DEV 003 or 004, 030, 031, 062 (Must complete 150 hours for Associate Teacher 1 Certificate)

Program Description

The Associates in Arts in Early Childhood Education for Transfer focuses on the theory and practice of early childhood care and education for children from birth to age eight. Students must complete 60 required semester units of CSU transferable course work. The course of study includes the basic principles of educational and developmental psychology; the art of observing, teaching and guiding young children; planning and administration of developmentally appropriate inclusive educational activities; school safety and health issues; and the social and emotional foundations of early care and education. Students completing this program have the potential of obtaining occupations in educational settings such as infant/toddler caregivers; preschool teachers; family home childcare providers; master teachers, site supervisors, program directors, child life specialists, and social services workers. Students prepare to transfer to four-year schools to pursue advanced degrees in child development with the eventual goal of becoming Early Childhood Education (ECE) program directors, center principals, elementary school teachers, resource specialists, ECE resource specialists, consultants, or finding employment in related human service fields.

Career and Transfer Opportunities

Visit the transfer center for transfer and guaranteed transfer information, which varies based on transfer college. Make an appointment with a counselor for transfer information. For additional resources, students pursuing a certificate can visit the American Job Center of California on ELAC's main campus. Some career options include: Infant & Toddler Care, Special Needs Specialist, Applied Behavior Analysis, Policy Development, Child Advocacy, Grant Writing, Counseling, Foster Care and Adoption, Mental Health Services, Family Childcare Provider, Educational Television, and Family Support Services.

Youtube Videos

[Child Development Administration Management video](#)

[Careers in Child Development video](#)

Program Map

A suggested sequence of classes to complete a degree, certificate, or program of study. Students should consult an academic counselor for variations to this plan based on part-time or full-time status, transfer plans, pre-requisites needed, etc.

Prerequisite Course

A specific course that must be completed before advancing to the next course.

Check the online catalog at elac.edu for the latest and most accurate information.

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