

CHILD DEVELOPMENT

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PROGRAM INFORMATION: The Child Development Program is designed to help prepare students to make a positive difference in the growing field of childcare. This program helps prepare successful graduates with the ability to understand the needs of young children including children with special needs and the ability to develop appropriate learning environments for them. Criteria for quality early childhood programs developed by the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) have been incorporated into course content. The Associate of Applied Science Degree and three certificates are offered. Every student must complete and pass a background check, and be accepted into a licensed child care program to participate in classroom observations required by various courses in the program. Students should contact the Department Chair for information on requirements for external learning hours.

FRESHMAN YEAR - FALL

COURSE SECTION	COURSE TITLE	CREDIT HOURS
TECA 1311	Educating Young Children	3
CDEC 1321	The Infant and Toddler	3
CDEC 1358	Creative Arts for Early Childhood	3
CDEC 1318	Wellness of the Young Child	3
CDEC 1319	Child Guidance	3
Fall Total Credit Hours		15

FRESHMAN YEAR - SPRING

COURSE SECTION	COURSE TITLE	CREDIT HOURS
TECA 1354	Child Growth and Development	3
CDEC 1356	Emergent Literacy for Early Childhood	3
CDEC 1359	Children With Special Needs	3
CDEC 2407	Math & Science for Early Childhood	4
Spring Total Credit Hours		13

SOPHOMORE YEAR - FALL

COURSE SECTION	COURSE TITLE	CREDIT HOURS
CDEC 2426	Administration of Programs for Children I	4
CDEC 2428	Administration of Programs for Children II	4
CDEC 2315	Diverse Cultural / Multilingual	3
ENGL 1301	Composition I	3
TECA 1303	Family, Schools and Community	3
Fall Total Credit Hours		17

SOPHOMORE YEAR - SPRING

COURSE SECTION	COURSE TITLE	CREDIT HOURS
CDEC 2384	Cooperative Education Child Development	3
MATH 1332 OR MATH 1314	Contemporary Mathematics OR College Algebra	3
PSYC 2301	General Psychology	3

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OR SOCI 1301	OR Introduction to Sociology	
SPCH 1315	Public Speaking	3
HUMA 1311	Mexican American Fine Arts	3
Spring Total Credit Hours		15
Program Total Credit Hours		60

Students should contact the Texas Department of Protective and Regulatory Services for information on requirements to direct childcare centers.