



DEGREE CODES:

AA 0210
BC 0277

PATHWAY: Child Development: Early Childhood Education

Visit your College Advisor, ccc.edu, or your college's Transfer Center for more information.

Are you interested in learning about how children learn, grow and thrive? Does the idea of joining the ranks of in-demand child care professionals excite you? If yes, then the Child Development Early Childhood pathway may be right for you. As a Child Development student at City Colleges you will learn about children's social, emotional, and physical development, and the theories and real world skills required to teach children from birth to age 8.

There are a variety of education pathways students can explore. Outlined here are the steps we suggest you take to earn an Associate in Arts degree with a built-in Basic Certificate in Child Development: Pre-school Education. You can then transfer to a four-year institution. Early Childhood teachers at public schools in Illinois are required to earn a bachelor's degree from an accredited College of Education and an Early Childhood Professional Educator license from the Illinois State Board of Education. If you are looking for shorter-term degree options, be sure to ask your College Advisor about City the Colleges' Advanced Certificate and Associate in Applied Science degrees in Early Childhood Education.

This is an **example course sequence** for students interested in pursuing child development. This does not represent a contract, nor does it guarantee course availability. If this pathway is followed as outlined, you will earn an Associate in Arts (AA) degree and a Basic Certificate (BC) in Child Development: Pre-school Education. One course will satisfy the Human Diversity (HD) requirement, and is labeled with an (HD) in the sequence below. Following this pathway will help you get your associate degree, which will increase your chances of transfer to Bachelor's-level programs of study. Choose Illinois Articulation Initiative (IAI) courses to fulfill general education requirements whenever possible. Visit www.itransfer.org and speak with your college advisor to learn more about IAI.

For information regarding teaching, licensure and certification requirements for the State of Illinois, please visit www.isbe.net. It is important to note that students must pass Illinois Certification Testing System (ICTS) Test of Academic Proficiency (TAP) test, or have 22 composite ACT score and minimum score of 6 on the Writing portion, or have a composite score of 1110 (evidence-based reading and writing + mathematics = 1110 or higher) and a minimum score of 26 on writing and language for entrance into four-year College of Education institutions.

Choose your courses with your College Advisor.

Communications and mathematics pre-credit requirements. Placements based on current placement instrument, ACT or department chair recommendation.			College-level courses that can be taken while in pre-credit courses.	
ENGLISH PLACEMENT	READING PLACEMENT	MATHEMATICS PLACEMENT	GENERAL EDUCATION COURSES	ELECTIVE COURSES
<input type="checkbox"/> ESL/FS Writing	<input type="checkbox"/> ESL/FS Reading	<input type="checkbox"/> FS Mathematics I	<input type="checkbox"/> Humanities: Africana Studies 101	<input type="checkbox"/> College Success
<input type="checkbox"/> ESL/English 98	<input type="checkbox"/> ESL/Reading 99	<input type="checkbox"/> FS Mathematics II		<input type="checkbox"/> World Languages
<input type="checkbox"/> ESL 99	<input type="checkbox"/> ESL Reading 100	<input type="checkbox"/> Mathematics 98		<input type="checkbox"/> Child Development 107
<input type="checkbox"/> ESL/English 100	<input type="checkbox"/> Reading 125	<input type="checkbox"/> Mathematics 99		<input type="checkbox"/> Child Development 120
				<input type="checkbox"/> Child Development 149

SEMESTER-BY-SEMESTER PROGRAM PLAN FOR FULL-TIME STUDENTS

All plans can be modified to fit the needs of part-time students by adding more semesters.

D	BC	SEMESTER 1	CATEGORY	ACHIEVEMENTS & NEXT ACTIONS
●	●	English 101–Composition I (3)	Communications	DO THIS–Meet with advisor to confirm plans DO THIS–Begin research on four-year institutions
●	●	Mathematics 121–Mathematics for Elementary Teachers I (4)	Mathematics	
●	●	Psychology 201–General Psychology (3) OR Anthropology 202–Cultural Anthropology OR other Social & Behavioral Sciences course	Social & Behavioral Sciences	
●	●	Literature 130–Children's Literature (3)	Fine Arts & Humanities	
●	●	Child Development 120–Introduction to Group Care (3)	Elective ¹	
16 CREDIT HOURS				
D	BC	SEMESTER 2	CATEGORY	ACHIEVEMENTS & NEXT ACTIONS
●	●	English 102–Composition II (3)	Communications	DO THIS–Mid-term check-in with advisor DO THIS–Visit your campus Transfer Center to discuss options and create a short list of four-year institutions for potential transfer *Child Development 107 is an elective course for AA, but is required for the BC
●	●	Education 101–Introduction to Education (3)	Elective	
●	●	Humanities course (3)	Humanities (HD)	
●	●	History 111–History of the American People to 1865 (3) OR History 112–History of the American People from 1865 (3)	Social & Behavioral Sciences	
●	●	Child Development 107–Health, Safety, and Nutrition (3)	Elective*	
15 CREDIT HOURS				
D	BC	SEMESTER 3	CATEGORY	ACHIEVEMENTS & NEXT ACTIONS
●	●	Speech 101–Fundamentals of Speech Communication (3)	Communications	DO THIS–Mid-term check-in with advisor DO THIS–Begin seeking additional four-year funding outlets such as scholarships and aid DO THIS–Prepare documentation for college application *Child Development 101 is an elective course for AA, but is required for the BC
●	●	Life Sciences course (4)	Life Sciences	
●	●	Mathematics 122–Mathematics for Elementary Teachers II (4)	Elective	
●	●	Child Development 101–Human Growth and Development I (4)	Elective*	
15 CREDIT HOURS				

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EDUCATION

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•	•	Political Science 201–The National Government (3)	<i>Social & Behavioral Sciences</i>	COMPLETION of Associate in Arts degree in Child Development: Early Childhood Education COMPLETION of Basic Certificate in Child Development: Pre-school Education DO THIS –Apply to four-year institutions of your choice <i>*Child Development 149 and 262 are elective courses for AA, but are required for the BC</i>
•	•	Physical Sciences course (4)	<i>Physical Sciences</i>	
•	•	Child Development 149–Creative Activities for Young Children (3)	<i>Elective*</i>	
•	•	Child Development 262–Child, Family, and Community Relations (3)	<i>Elective*</i>	
•	•	Fine Arts course (3)	<i>Fine Arts</i>	
16 CREDIT HOURS				
DEGREE MINIMUM: 60 CREDIT HOURS // PATHWAY TOTAL: 62 CREDIT HOURS				

D = DEGREE // AC = ADVANCED CERTIFICATE // BC = BASIC CERTIFICATE

Programs offered at:



The BC in Child Development: Pre-school Education (0277) is not offered at