

EDUCATION

GUIDED PATHWAY: CHILD DEVELOPMENT/EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

For more information, visit www.dcccd.edu/childddev and your academic advisor at Brookhaven or Eastfield College.

This is an example course sequence for students interested in pursuing the Child Development/Early Childhood Education associate's degree. It does not represent a contract, nor does it guarantee course availability. Following this pathway will help you earn an Associate of Applied Science (AAS) degree in Child Development/Early Childhood Education². For official degree requirements, [click here](#).

The AAS degree program offers students an in-depth study of young children from birth to twelve years of age. Eastfield College provides a child development center, the Children's Lab School of the Center for Child and Family Studies, that offers lab opportunities for students. Brookhaven College has a Head Start Center on campus that is available for students, as well as numerous off-campus locations for student lab experiences. Gainful employment information for this degree can be found at www.dcccd.edu/gainfulemp. Courses that complete the Degree (D) and the Child Development/Early Childhood Education Certificate (CD1) are noted below.

Visit www.ntxccc.org/pathways to view guided pathways created for students who complete an AAS degree and the options for transfer to complete a Bachelor of Applied Arts and Science. Speak with an academic advisor at your college to choose courses that will help you to transfer to a specific university.

Students pursuing this Associate of Applied Science (AAS) degree are required to take all portions of the TSI Assessment, but do not need to place at college-level math or take Developmental Math courses to be TSI met. Students must successfully complete a natural science course with a grade of "C" or better to graduate.




ONLY Offered at:
BHC & EFC

COLLEGE READINESS REQUIREMENTS (only for the AAS)

Enrolling in one or more courses may be necessary if assessment activities and previous academic experiences indicate a need for additional knowledge and skills:

READING & WRITING PLACEMENT

ENGLISH LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY

TSI MET: YES NO
 IF NO, ADVISOR INSERT COURSE(S) NEEDED

DREA / DWRI / DIRW (CIRCLE ONE) _____

OTHER: _____

PROFICIENCY MET: YES NO
 IF NO, ADVISOR INSERT COURSE(S) NEEDED

ESOL _____

OTHER: _____

Exemptions/waivers may exist. Speak with an academic advisor regarding placement in college readiness courses and your ability to enroll in core academic coursework.

SEMESTER-BY-SEMESTER MAP FOR FULL-TIME STUDENTS³

All plans can be modified to fit the needs of part-time students

D	CD1	SEMESTER 1	ACTION ITEMS
◆	◆	CDEC 1311 – Educating Young Children	<input type="checkbox"/> Meet with your advisor to confirm academic and career goals before the end of the semester. <input type="checkbox"/> Meet with a career advisor or coach to research your career options and opportunities for job shadowing. <input type="checkbox"/> Meet with a faculty or career advisor regarding placement for the Cooperative Education course.
◆	◆	CDEC 1319 – Child Guidance	
◆	◆	CDEC 1354 – Child Growth and Development	
◆		CDEC 1321 – The Infant and Toddler	
◆	◆	CDEC 1318 – Wellness of the Young Child	

TOTAL SEMESTER CREDIT HOURS: 15

D	CD1	SEMESTER 2	ACTION ITEMS
◆		ENGL 1301 – Composition I	<input type="checkbox"/> Meet with your advisor to file an official program of study audit, confirm or update your academic and career path and program of study. <input type="checkbox"/> Meet with a faculty or career advisor regarding placement for the Internship course.
◆		SPCH 1311 – Introduction to Speech Communication	
◆	◆	CDEC 1323 – Observation and Assessment	
◆	◆	CDEC 1359 – Children with Special Needs+	
◆	◆	CDEC 1303 – Families, School and Community+	

TOTAL SEMESTER CREDIT HOURS: 15

D	CD1	SEMESTER 3	ACTION ITEMS
◆		CDEC 2165 – Practicum-Child Care Provider/Assistant [▲]	<input type="checkbox"/> Meet with your advisor to apply for the Child Development/Early Childhood Education Certificate (CD1) Completion. <input type="checkbox"/> Meet with a faculty or career advisor regarding placement for the Internship course and for assistance in preparing for job search.
◆	◆	CDEC 1356 – Emergent Literacy for Early Childhood+	
◆	◆	CDEC 1413 – Curriculum Resources for Early Childhood Programs [@]	
◆		GOVT 2305 – Federal Government	
◆		CDEC 13XX or 23XX Elective+	

TOTAL SEMESTER CREDIT HOURS: 14

D	CD1	SEMESTER 4	ACTION ITEMS
◆		CDEC 2388 – Internship–Child Care Provider/Assistant [▲]	<input type="checkbox"/> After reviewing your degree plan and program of study, apply for graduation. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Meet with your advisor to apply for the Child Development/Early Childhood Education AAS. <input type="checkbox"/> Sign up for commencement. <input type="checkbox"/> Join the Alumni Network!
◆		BIOL 1408 – Biology for Non-Science Majors I	
◆		HUMA 1315 – Fine Arts Appreciation	
◆		CDEC 13XX or 23XX Elective++	
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TOTAL SEMESTER CREDIT HOURS: 16

AAS DEGREE MINIMUM: 60 SEMESTER CREDIT HOURS | PATHWAY TOTAL: 60 SEMESTER CREDIT HOURS

¹ Degree plans may change in later catalogs. You may use this pathway if you entered one of the seven colleges on or before this date.
² Students must earn at least 25% of the credit hours (15 hours) required for graduation through instruction by the DCCCD college awarding the degree.
³ This is not an official degree plan. For official degree requirements, [click here](#).
[▲] This course counts for the Core Curriculum at any public college or university in Texas.
[▲] You must take CDEC 2165 and CDEC 2388 at the college where you plan to graduate and earn the AAS.
[@] You must take CDEC 1413 at the college where you plan to earn the Certificate.
⁺ These courses count toward the Child Development Elective course within the Child Development/Early Childhood Education Certificate (CD1). Students pursuing the CD1 Certificate should still consult the advising guide of the college (Brookhaven or Eastfield) you are attending for guidance on appropriate elective courses for your career goals.
⁺⁺ Child Development Elective must:
 1. Be chosen from the following:
 CDEC 1317, CDEC 1341, CDEC 1343, CDEC 1358, CDEC 1395, CDEC 1396, CDEC 2304, CDEC 2307, CDEC 2315, CDEC 2322, CDEC 2324, CDEC 2326, CDEC 2328, CDEC 2336, CDEC 2340, CDEC 2341.
 2. Be selected in consultation with the college (Brookhaven or Eastfield) you are attending for guidance on appropriate elective courses for your career goals. Contact the Child Development/Early Childhood Education Advisor or Program Chair if you need more guidance.
 You must earn a grade of "C" or better in English 1301 and the selected college-level science course.

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