

EDUCATION

GUIDED PATHWAY: CHILD DEVELOPMENT/EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION – CHILD DEVELOPMENT/EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION CERTIFICATE

For more information, visit www.dcccd.edu/childdev 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 Certificate. It does not represent a contract, nor does it guarantee course availability. Following this pathway will help you earn a Child Development/Early Childhood Education Certificate². Courses from this certificate may apply to the related AAS degree. Gainful employment information for this certificate can be found at https://www1.dcccd.edu/catalog/programs/degree_gei.cfm?a=106. For official certificate requirements, [click here](#).

This certificate program provides general courses in early childhood for those wanting to increase their skills and knowledge for working with children. 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. Courses that complete the Child Development/Early Childhood Education Certificate (CD1) are noted below.

Students pursuing this certificate are waived from the [Texas Success Initiative \(TSI\)](#) standards, but must meet course prerequisites, as long as the student completes the TSI waiver form prior to enrollment.




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SEMESTER-BY-SEMESTER MAP FOR FULL-TIME STUDENTS³

ALL PLANS CAN BE MODIFIED TO FIT THE NEEDS OF PART-TIME STUDENTS

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.
◆	CDEC 1354 – Child Growth and Development	
◆	CDEC 1318 – Wellness of the Young Child	
◆	CDEC 1303 – Families, School and Community+	

TOTAL SEMESTER CREDIT HOURS: 12

CD1	SEMESTER 2	ACTION ITEMS
◆	CDEC 1319 – Child Guidance	<input type="checkbox"/> Meet with your advisor to request 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.
◆	CDEC 1323 – Observation and Assessment	
◆	CDEC 1359 – Children with Special Needs+	
◆	CDEC 1356 – Emergent Literacy for Early Childhood+	

TOTAL SEMESTER CREDIT HOURS: 12

CD1	SEMESTER 3	ACTION ITEMS
◆	CDEC 1413 – Curriculum Resources for Early Childhood Programs [@]	<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 for assistance in preparing for job search.

TOTAL SEMESTER CREDIT HOURS: 4

CERTIFICATE MINIMUM: 28 SEMESTER CREDIT HOURS | PATHWAY TOTAL: 28 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 required for graduation through instruction by the DCCCD college awarding the certificate.

³ This is not an official degree plan. For official certificate requirements, [click here](#).

[@] 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 1303, CDEC 1317, CDEC 1321, CDEC 2340, CDEC 1341, CDEC 1343, CDEC 1356, CDEC 1358, CDEC 1359, CDEC 1395, CDEC 2304, CDEC 2315, CDEC 2341, CDEC 2322, CDEC 2324.

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.