

## AS-T Early Childhood Education

The Education and Human Development program is designed to meet the needs of people planning for a career working with children from birth through school-age. Students in the program focus on current research, practical application and critical thinking in professional care settings. Children's growth, developmentally appropriate practice, cultural diversity, observational skills, family support and professional development within the various fields of education and human development are major components of the program.

### Career Opportunities

Graduates with an AS degree with a major in Education and Human Development are prepared for positions as head teachers, master teachers, and site supervisors. The AS-T Early Childhood Education prepares them for transfer into Child and Adolescent Development, Human Development and similar bachelor degree programs.

### Program Learning Outcomes

Students completing this program will be able to:

1. Communicate their understanding of education and human development concepts through written, oral and visual presentations in various professional and academic contexts.
2. Demonstrate an understanding of education and human development theories, trends and needs of young children by developing and maintaining healthy, safe, respectful, challenging and culturally responsive learning environments.
3. Critically assess their own teaching and learning experiences through critical thinking and reflection that will guide and inform their practice.

### AS-T Degree Requirements

#### Major: Core and Selective Requirements

Complete Core Courses, 24 units		Units
ECE. 201	Child Development	3 units
ECE. 210	Early Childhood Education Principles	3 units
ECE. 211	Early Childhood Education Curriculum	3 units
ECE. 212	Child, Family, and Community	3 units
ECE. 254	Teaching in a Diverse Society	3 units
ECE. 313	Health, Safety and Nutrition	3 units
ECE. 333	Observation and Assessment of Young Children	3 units
ECE. 366	Practicum in Early Childhood Education	3 units

**General Education** - certified completion of one of the following:

- California State University General Education-Breadth pattern (CSU GE Breadth),
- **OR**
- Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC/CSU) pattern

**Elective courses:** If applicable, additional courses to meet the minimum 60 CSU transferable units requirement.

*Please refer to Associate Degree for Transfer (ADT) Requirements for more information.*

