CA 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

Students who complete the Early Childhood Education certificate are eligible to apply for their Associate Teacher-Level Permit issued by the CA Commission on Teacher Credentialing. Upon completion of the certificate they are eligible for positions in the Early Care and Education field as teacher, family child care provider and para professional in elementary school settings.

Program Learning Outcomes

Students completing this program will be able to:

- 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.
- Critically assess their own teaching and learning experiences through critical thinking and reflection that will guide and inform their practice.

Major: Core and Selective Requirements

Complete Core Courses 27 units

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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. 260	Children with Special Needs	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



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