

PROGRAMS

EARLY INTERVENTION ASSISTANT - CERTIFICATE

Child Development: Early Intervention Assistant - Certificate

The Certificate of Achievement: Early Intervention Assistant is an academic and vocational training program that prepares students for future work as early childhood educators in diverse early childhood settings. Courses are designed to meet entry level requirements and/or meet the requirements needed to obtain a California Child Development Permit. Coursework for the program leads to employment in a program for children with special needs or an inclusion program. This program is designed to prepare students to compete for higher paying positions when seeking employment in a program that cares for children with special needs. Please see a counselor for more information.

Program Learning Outcomes:

- Students will demonstrate effective verbal and written communication skills to actively collaborate with families in an ongoing and positive manner to support each children's and families development.
- Students will recognize the typical and atypical child developmental milestones of children birth to age five.
- Students will explain the process of curriculum and environment development including adaptations and modifications for infants/toddlers and preschool children at high risk and/or with disabilities.
- Students will recognize a variety of disabilities by identifying the disability characteristics and warning signs and how the disability impacts the child and family development.

To earn this certificate, students must meet the following requirements:

1. Complete all required certificate courses with a C (or P) or better.
2. Complete at least 1/3 of the program courses at Mission College to establish residency.

NOTES:

- Requirements here apply to the current catalog year and are subject to change. Visit [DegreeWorks in-1 My Mission Portal-1](#) to view requirements based your catalog year.
- Not all classes are offered each semester.

List A - Required Core Courses

Code	Class	Units
CHD 001	Child Growth and Development (3.0 Lecture)	3.0
CHD 002	Child, Family, and Community (3.0 Lecture)	3.0
CHD 010	Principles and Practices in Education (3.0 Lecture)	3.0
CHD 016	Infant and Toddler Development (3.0 Lecture)	3.0
CHD 020	The Child with Special Needs in the Community (3.0 Lecture)	3.0
CHD 024	Positive Guidance in Early Childhood Programs: Managing Challenging Behaviors (3.0 Lecture)	3.0
CHD 025	Inclusion Strategies and Curriculum in Early Childhood Education (3.0 Lecture)	3.0
WRK 300CD	Occupational Work Experience for Child Development (3.0 units of Work Experience)	3.0

List B - Select one course from the following:

Code	Class	Units
CHD 003	Language and Literacy for the Young Child (3.0 Lecture)	3.0
CHD 004	Cognitive Experiences for Children (3.0 Lecture)	3.0
CHD 015	Observation and Assessment of Children (3.0 Lecture)	3.0
CHD 018	Parenting Issues for Teachers (1.0 Lecture)	1.0
CHD 017	Child Health and Safety (3.0 Lecture)	3.0
CHD 021	Children and Play (3.0 Lecture)	3.0

Units Required

	Units
Total Required Units	25.0-27.0

Students may also be interested in English for Childcare

PROGRAMS

Career/Transfer Opportunities:

Students planning to transfer to a four-year college or university and wishing to pursue careers in special education, child psychology, social work, and other related field may be able to apply child development units toward lower division preparation requirements. See a counselor for additional information. For Child Development Permit Stipends and the Child Development Permit Matrix, visit <https://www.childdevelopment.org/>.

MAKE AN APPOINTMENT WITH A COUNSELOR SUBMIT A COURSE SUBSTITUTION REQUEST CONTACT THE DEPARTMENT