

Moorpark College

Associate in Arts in Child and Adolescent Development for Transfer (AA-T)

Program Goals and Objectives

The Associate in Arts in Child and Adolescent Development Transfer Degree (AA-T in Child and Adolescent) was developed by our faculty to provide an alternative pathway to our students who wish to transfer to the California State University (CSU) campus in Child and Adolescent Development, or a major deemed similar by the CSU. In addition, the AA-T degree provides a seamless transferring process for students to a CSU, as it aligns the lower-division general education and major preparation courses often required to transfer to a CSU.

Program Student Learning Outcomes

Upon completion of this program a student will be able to:

- demonstrate an understanding of the perspectives, theories, research methods, and core concepts of child development from conception through adolescence as an area of scientific inquiry.
- develop an environment that honors the diversity of the learning community through empowerment, equity, respect, and dignity.

Catalog Description

A major in Child and Adolescent Development offers lower division coursework examining classical and contemporary research that promotes positive developmental outcomes spanning conception through emerging adulthood. This option of study is intended for students who aspire to careers in developmental research, public policy, social work, school psychology, and similar fields.

The Associate in Arts in Child and Adolescent Development for Transfer degree (AA-T in Child and Adolescent Development) is intended for students who plan to transfer and complete a bachelor's degree in: Child Development; Child Development (Pre-credential) Child and Adolescent Development; Child, Adolescent and Family Studies; Family and Consumer Sciences (Child Development and Family Studies); Human Development (Adolescent Option, Childhood Option, Children's Services); Liberal Studies (Child Development) or a major deemed similar at a CSU campus. Each CSU campus determines which of the degrees it offers are "similar" and can be completed with the preparation included in the AA-T in Child and Adolescent Development within 60 units once a student transfers, so which majors are "similar" varies from CSU to CSU. For a current list of what majors (and what options or areas of emphasis within that major) have been designed as "similar" to this degree at each CSU campus, please refer to the CSU'S Associate Degree for Transfer Major and Campus Search webpage and seek guidance from a Moorpark College counselor. Students

completing this degree are guaranteed admission to the CSU system, but not to a particular campus or major of choice.

To earn an AA-T in Child and Adolescent Development, students must:

1. Complete a minimum of 60 semester or 90 quarter units that are eligible for transfer to the California State University, including both of the following:
 - a. The California General Education Transfer Curriculum (Cal-GETC) requirements.
 - b. The required coursework for the AA-T in Child and Adolescent Development as listed in the Moorpark College catalog.
2. Complete all courses in the major and the Cal-GETC with a grade of “C” or better or “Pass/Credit” if the course is taken on a “pass-no-pass” basis. Even though a “Pass/Credit” grade is allowed, it is highly recommended that students complete their major courses with a letter grade (A, B, or C). **Note:** the UC system allows a maximum of 14 semester (21 quarter) units of courses graded “Pass/Credit” toward the 60 transferable semester units required for transfer admission.
3. Obtain a minimum grade point average (GPA) of 2.0 in all CSU-transferable coursework. While a minimum GPA of 2.0 is required for admission, some transfer institutions and majors may require a higher GPA. Please consult with a counselor for more information.
4. Complete a minimum of 12 semester units within the Ventura County Community College District.

Students transferring to a CSU campus that accepts the AA-T in Child and Adolescent Development will be required to complete no more than 60 units after transfer to earn a bachelor’s degree (unless the major is a designated “high-unit” major at a particular campus). This degree may not be the best option for students intending to transfer to a particular CSU campus or to a university or college that is not part of the CSU system. Students should consult with a counselor to obtain more information on university admission and transfer requirements.

Course ID	Title	Units/Hours
REQUIRED CORE (9-10 units)		
CD M02	Human Development: Infancy through Adolescence	3
PSYC C1000	Introduction to Psychology	3
or PSYC C1000H	Introduction to Psychology - Honors	
STAT C1000	Introduction to Statistics	4
or STAT C1000H	Introduction to Statistics - Honors	

Course ID	Title	Units/Hours
or PSY M125	Statistics for the Behavioral and Social Sciences	
or SOC M125	Statistics for the Behavioral and Social Sciences	
Units from LIST A		9-11
Total Required Major Units		18 - 21
Course ID	Title	Units/Hours
LIST A: Select three courses from at least two Options		9-11
Option 1		
ANTH M02	Cultural Anthropology	3
CD M03	Child, Family, and Community	3
or CD M03H	Honors: Child, Family, and Community	
SOC M110	Introduction to Sociology	3
or SOC M110H	Honors: Introduction to Sociology	
SOC M130	Introduction to Marriage and Family	3
SOC M150	Introduction to Race and Ethnicity	3
Option 2		
PSY M07	Developmental Psychology (Lifespan) (NOTE: UC credit limitation - CD M02 and PSY M07 combined; one course)	3
Option 3		
BIOL M01	Introduction to Biology	4
BIOL M02A	General Biology I	5
or BIOL M02AH	Honors: General Biology I	
BIOL M02B	General Biology II	5
or BIOL M02BH	Honors: General Biology II	
BIOL M02C	Genetics and Molecular Biology	5
BIOL M03	Marine Life and Its Environment	4
BIOL M05	Field Biology: A Natural History of California	4
BIOL M16	Human Biology	3
BIOL M17	Heredity, Evolution and Society	3

Course ID	Title	Units/Hours
BIOL M18	Human Biology for Pre-Health	3
Option 4: Maximum of two courses		
Any course from Option 1, 2, or 3 not already used		
CD M04 & M04L	Observation and Assessment and Observation and Assessment Laboratory	3
CD M05	Teaching in a Diverse Society	3
CD M11	Principles and Practices in Early Childhood Education	3
CD M12 & M12L	Early Childhood Education Teaching Practicum and Early Childhood Education Teaching Practicum Lab	3.5
CD M14	Introduction to Curriculum	3
CD M15	Care and Education Programs: Infants/Toddlers	3
CD M16	Strategies for Working with Challenging Behaviors	3
CD M23	Health, Safety, & Nutrition	3
COMM C1000	Introduction to Public Speaking	3
or COMM C1000H	Introduction to Public Speaking - Honors	
EDU M02	Introduction to Elementary Teaching	3
GEOG M01	Physical Geography	3
GEOG M02	Cultural Geography	3
GEOG M03	World Regional Geography	3
or GEOG M03H	Honors: World Regional Geography	
HED M01	Health and Society	2
HIST M25	History of the United States	3
or HIST M25H	Honors: History of the United States	
HIST M130	United States History Through Reconstruction	3
HIST M150	World History: From Prehistory to 1500	3
HIST M160	World History: From 1450 to the Present	3
MATH M10	Mathematics for Elementary Teachers	3
NTS M01	Introduction to Nutrition Science	3

Course ID	Title	Units/Hours
PHIL M07	Introduction to Logic	3
PHSC M01 & M01L	Principles of Physical Science and Principles of Physical Science Laboratory	4
POLS C1000	American Government and Politics	3
or POLS C1000H	American Government and Politics - Honors	
PSY M04	Child Psychology	3
Total Units for the Major		19-22.5
General Education Pattern (Cal-GETC)		34
Double-Counted Units		9 - 13
Elective Units		12.5-20
Total Units for the AA-T Degree		60