

CHILD DEVELOPMENT

Certificate of Achievement (24.5 units)

The Child Development Certificate at Moorpark College prepares students for careers in early childhood education by providing essential knowledge in child growth, development, and teaching strategies. This certificate meets the educational requirements for various childcare positions, including preschool and daycare settings. Coursework covers topics such as curriculum planning, guidance techniques, and working with diverse families. Students who complete this program may qualify for the California Child Development Permit at the Assistant or Associate Teacher level, depending on additional work experience.

SEMESTER I - FALL EXAMPLE

FIRST 8 WEEKS	SECOND 8 WEEKS
CD M02 (3 units) Human Development: Infancy-Adolescence	
CD M03 (3 units) Child, Family & Community	

SEMESTER II - SPRING EXAMPLE

FIRST 8 WEEKS	SECOND 8 WEEKS
CD M04 (2 units) and CD M04L (1 unit) Observation & Assessment/Lab	

SUMMER - EXAMPLE

FIRST 4-6 WEEKS	SECOND 4-6 WEEKS
CD M23 (3 units) Health, Safety & Nutrition for Children	CD M23 (3 units) Health, Safety & Nutrition for Children

SEMESTER III - FALL EXAMPLE

FIRST 8 WEEKS	SECOND 8 WEEKS
CD M14 (3 units) Introduction to Curriculum	CD M11 (3 units) Principles & Practices: ECE
CD M05 (3 units) Teaching in a Diverse Society	

SEMESTER IV - SPRING EXAMPLE

FIRST 8 WEEKS	SECOND 8 WEEKS
CD M12 (2 units) Early Childhood Teaching Practicum	CD M12 Early Childhood Teaching Practicum
CD M12L (1.5 units) Early Childhood Teaching Practicum Lab	CD M12L Early Childhood Teaching Practicum Lab

This program map reflects one possible pathway and is for reference only.

Schedule an appointment to create a personalized education plan.

Program requirements may change; speak with the PACE Program to review your academic goals.