

# CARE AND DEVELOPMENT OF YOUNG CHILDREN, ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE

The Care and Development of Young Children program provides education and training in the care of young children. A student who completes this program is prepared to assure the health, safety, and well-being of young children who are in out-of-home care. Students completing the AAS in CDYC can then apply for the Early Childhood Ancillary Certificate with LDOE, which is needed for the lead teachers and directors in early childcare programs in LA.

Students who intend to transfer to a teacher education program at a 4 year institution should consider the Associate of Science in Teaching (Grades 1-5) program. Students who intend to transfer the CDYC degree should be aware that any grades below "C" in General Education courses are unlikely to transfer. Observation and Practicum courses require a background check due to site-based experiences at early childhood centers or schools.

## Program Outcomes:

- The student demonstrates consistent competence and professionalism as an educator of young children.
- The student effectively applies the principles of developmentally appropriate practice in planning and practice.
- The student effectively deals with common occurrences in an early childhood setting independently or with minimal assistance from a professional educator.
- The student communicates effectively with children and adults in an early childhood setting.
- The student demonstrates respect for children, individually and as a group.

Code	Title	Hours
<b>General Education Requirements</b>		
ENGL 1010	English Composition I <sup>1</sup>	3
ENGL 1020	English Composition II	3
MATH 1199 or higher <sup>4</sup>		3
Any SPCH course		3
Humanities Elective		3
Natural Science Elective		3
PSYC 1100	Introduction to Psychology <sup>1</sup>	3
PSYC 2200	Child Psychology <sup>1</sup>	3
or PSYC 2100	Human Growth and Development	
BUSN 1150	Survey of Microcomputer App	3
Fine Arts Elective		3
<b>Major Courses <sup>1, 2</sup></b>		
CDYC 1050	Intro to Care&Dev of Yng Child	3
CDYC 1110	Observation & Participation	3
CDYC 2300	Lit & Lang Dev in Early Child	3
CDYC electives <sup>3</sup>		9
CDYC 2980	Practicum	6

## Approved Elective

Two courses, to be approved by advisor	6
<b>Total Hours</b>	<b>60</b>

<sup>1</sup> Must earn a grade of "C" or better.

<sup>2</sup> At least fifteen 15 credit hours must be earned in residence.

<sup>3</sup> To be approved by advisor.

<sup>4</sup> Math 1300 recommended for students intending to transfer to a bachelor's degree program.