EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION—ASSOCIATE IN SCIENCE IN EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION FOR TRANSFER DEGREE (AS-T)

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The Associate in Science degree in Early Childhood Education (ECE) for Transfer provides a clearly articulated curricular track for students who wish to transfer to a CSU campus, while also serving the diverse needs of students interested in the breadth and depth of the field of early childhood education. Additionally, this degree exposes students to the core principles and practices of the field in order to build a foundation for their future personal, academic, or vocational paths.

The degree was designed to facilitate students’ successful transfer to certain California State University (CSU) campuses that prepare them for advanced study in a variety of graduate programs, as well as a variety of careers such as teaching, Child Development Specialist, Program Directors, and Child Life Specialists. With a BA in ECE/Child Development, students are eligible for the Master Teacher and Site Supervisor levels of the CA Child Development Permit, using the Alternative Qualifications category.

PROGRAM OUTCOMES

Upon successful completion of the Early Childhood Education program, a student should be able to:

- plan and organize activities in a safe and healthy learning environment for optimum development of all young children in groups of 12 to 24 children.
- assess and evaluate all children and learning environments to write reports according to state mandated guidelines.
- work with families and their children to build respectful, supportive relationships for optimum growth and development of young children
- connect with community agencies and programs to support children, families, and the early education and care profession.

College counselor to review transfer requirements.