



This program roadmap represents one possible pathway to complete the program. **Please see a counselor** to create an education plan that is customized to meet your needs. This roadmap is not a guarantee of course availability or financial aid applicability.

Catalog: 2024-25**Total Units:** 61

First Year

Semester 1

15 Units

CAT.	COURSE	TITLE	UNIT
Req	ECE 300	Introduction to Principles and Practices in Early Childhood Education	3
Req	ECE 312 / PSYC 372	Child Development	3
Req	ECE 430	Culture and Diversity in Early Childhood Education	3
RE	ENGWR 300 / 480 ^H	College Composition	3
RE	ART 430	Art and Children	3

Semester 2

16 Units

CAT.	COURSE	TITLE	UNIT
Req	ECE 314	The Child, the Family and the Community	3
Req	ECE 320	Curriculum and Interactions in Early Childhood Education	4
Req	ECE 331	Care and Education of Infants and Toddlers	3
Req	ECE 415 / NUTRI 320	Children's Health, Safety and Nutrition	3
Req	ECE 420	Administration I: Programs in Early Childhood Education	3

Second Year

Semester 3

16 Units

CAT.	COURSE	TITLE	UNIT
Req	ECE 321	Advanced Practicum in Early Childhood Education	4
Req	ECE 326	Making Learning Visible Through Observation and Documentation	3
Req	ECE 422	Administration II: Personnel and Leadership in Early Childhood Education	3
RE	ECE 363 ¹	Music and Movement with Young Children	3
RE	NUTRI 300	Nutrition	3

¹ or ECE 361 (*Introducing Young Children to Visual Arts*)

Semester 4

14 Units

CAT.	COURSE	TITLE	UNIT
Req	ECE 424	Adult Supervision: Mentoring in a Collaborative Learning Setting	2

CAREER PATH

Career Options:

Students completing this certificate are eligible to be a Director in a privately-funded early childhood program and a Site Supervisor in a publicly-funded early childhood program. Some school districts and Head Start programs require a Bachelor's degree.

Students completing this certificate will meet the education requirements for the Site Supervisor Permit, issued by the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing (CTC). However, the CTC also requires 350 days of 3+ hours per day of experience in an Early Childhood Education classroom/program within 4 years, including at least 100 days of supervising adults.

Advising Notes:

- 16 units of general education courses must include at least one course from each of the following four areas: Math/Science, English, Humanities, and Social/Behavioral Sciences. A course cannot be used in the 16 units if already used in the 37 units of ECE core.
- ECE 320 and 321 both have a lab and a lecture component. Each course requires students to complete 108 hours in an approved early education classroom. Students taking these courses will have the option of completing their practicum experience at the ARC Child Development Center (CDC), at their worksite (if it meets required lab placement criteria), or from a department-approved community placement site.

CAT.	COURSE	TITLE	UNIT
RE	POLS 301 / 481 ^H	Introduction to Government: United States	3
RE	PSYC 365 / HSER 330	Issues of Diverse Populations	3
RE	MATH 310	Mathematical Discovery	3
RE	MUFHL 300	Introduction to Music	3

^H honors courses

EXPLANATION OF CATEGORIES

Req	Required Core	A course that is required for this program
RE	Restricted Elective	A course selected from a list of elective courses specified for this program in the course list in the catalog, which can be replaced with another course from the same list

- Placements at community sites and the ARC CDC will require the following immunizations: a current TB test (0-12 months), T-DAP (within 10 years), and MMR. Students may sign a waiver for the flu vaccine.
- Students must complete both ECE 300 and ECE 312/PSYC 372 with a "C" or better before taking ECE 320.

Other Notes:

- While working toward this certificate students will qualify for the **Associate Teacher certificate** and the **Teacher certificate**. See ECE maps and meet with a counselor for guidance.

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