



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:** 53

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	ECE 361	Introducing Young Children to Visual Arts	3

Semester 2

13 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

Second Year

Semester 3

14 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
RE	BIOL 303	Survey of Biology	4
RE	NUTRI 300	Nutrition	3

Semester 4

11 Units

CAT.	COURSE	TITLE	UNIT
Req	ECE 424	Adult Supervision: Mentoring in a Collaborative Learning Setting	2
Req	ECE 330	Infant and Toddler Development	3
Req	ECE 402	Infants with Atypical Development	3
RE	POLS 301 / 481 ^H	Introduction to Government: United States	3

CAREER PATH

Career Options:

- Teacher in a privately funded (Title 22) early care and education program (center-based & family childcare).
- Associate Teacher in a publicly funded (Title 5) early care and education program.
- Teacher in a publicly funded (Title 5) early care and education program, with 175 days of experience. Some publicly funded programs require a BA for a Lead Teacher position.
- Mentor for the CA Early Mentor Program.
- Eligible to serve as a mentor for field experience courses.

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 already used in the 24 units of ECE core and/or 6 units of specialization.
- 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.
- Placements at community sites and the ARC CDC will require the

^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

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.
- Each ECE certificate level relates to the educational preparation for each level of Child Development permits through the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing. See their website for additional requirements.

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