

BA IN CHILD AND ADOLESCENT DEVELOPMENT (EDUCATIONAL CONTEXTS)

Units required for Major: 47-48
Total units required for BA: 120

Program Description

Child and Adolescent Development is the study of the biological, physical, socio-emotional, and cognitive growth and development of the child from conception through emerging adulthood. Using theory, empirical research, and practice, this rigorous academic program prepares students to work as agents of social change with diverse populations of children, adolescents, emerging adults, and families in a variety of areas, including education, advocacy, research, policy, counseling, and/or other settings.

The Child and Adolescent Development concentration in Educational Contexts seeks to prepare students to understand and apply developmental perspectives and engage in ethical and reflective practices within the educational context. Recognizing that a developmental perspective is essential to effective teaching, the concentration prepares students to consider the diverse physical, cognitive, cultural, linguistic, behavioral, social, and emotional needs of children and their families in the teaching and learning process.

Students will be able to utilize developmental research and theory in their teaching practices to support student learning in various educational contexts. This concentration is appropriate for students interested in working with individuals from birth to emerging adulthood, including early care, preschool, elementary school, and special education, and/or for advanced degree and professional programs. Depending on the career trajectory chosen, additional professional training and/or exams may be required (e.g., Child Development Permit, Teaching Credential, CBEST, CSET).

Program Requirements

Code	Title	Units
Required Foundation Courses (12 Units)		
CHAD 35	Child and Adolescent Development ¹	3
CHAD 101	Career and Major Exploration in Child and Adolescent Development	1
CHAD 123	Qualitative Methods in Human Development ²	4
CHAD 133	Quantitative Methods in Human Development ²	4
Required Upper Division Core Courses (18 Units)		
CHAD 131	Language Development	3
CHAD 135	Culture and Human Development	3
CHAD 137	Cognitive Development	3
CHAD 138	Social and Emotional Development	3
CHAD 156	Child and Adolescent Development in Context	3
CHAD 190	Capstone in Child and Adolescent Development	3
Required concentration courses (17-18 Units)		
CHAD 35F	Human Development and Elementary Field Experience	3

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CHAD 136	Developmental Experiences, Methods and Curriculum	3
CHAD 150A		3
Concentration specialization requirements (choose one of the specialization sets of 8-9 units)		8-9
Total Units		47-48

- Course also satisfies General Education (GE)/Graduation Requirement.
- CHAD 123 and CHAD 133 are not recommended to be taken in the same semester.

Specialization options

Code	Title	Units
Choose only one specialization to complete your major		8-9
<i>Elementary school or special education settings</i>		
EDUC 100A & EDUC 100B	Educating Students with Disabilities in Inclusive Settings Educating Students with Disabilities in Inclusive Settings Lab	3
EDUC 170	Bilingual Education: Introduction to Educating English Learners	3
PUBH 136	School Health Education ¹	2-3
	or KINS 172 Movement Education	
<i>Early education settings</i>		
CHAD 23	Assessment and Observation in Child Development	3
CHAD 157	Infant and Toddler: Development and Care	3
Choose one early childhood education elective ²		3

- For the early childhood special education credential, replace this with CHAD 157 in consultation with an advisor.
- Options for early childhood education specialization electives: CHAD 31, CHAD 32, CHAD 139, CHAD 140, EDUC 100AB, EDUC 170

General Education Requirements ¹

Code	Title	Units
Area A: Basic Subjects (9 Units)		
A1	Oral Communication	3
A2	Written Communication	3
A3	Critical Thinking	3
Area B: Physical Universe and Its Life Forms (7-13 Units)		
B1	Physical Science	3
B2	Life Forms	3
B3	Lab (Note: Lab experience to be taken with one of the following: B1, B2 or B5)	1
B4	Math Concepts	0-3
B5	Additional Course (Any B to reach 12 units) - Take upper-division course to complete Area & upper division requirements. ²	0-3
Area C: Arts and Humanities (9-12 Units) ³		
C1	Arts ⁴	3
C2	Humanities	3

C1/C2 - Area C Course ⁵	3
C1/C2 - Area C Course - Take upper-division course to complete Area & upper division requirements. ⁵	0-3
Area D: The Individual and Society (3-6 Units)	
Area D Course	3
Area D Course	0
Area D Course - Take upper-division course to complete Area & upper division requirements.	0-3
Area E: Understanding Personal Development	
Area E Course ⁶	0
Area F: Ethnic Studies (3 Units)	
Area F Course	3
Total Units	31-43

¹ Students interested in elementary teaching are strongly urged to select courses that will assist in preparation for the CSET examination (see Subject Matter Certificate).
To help you complete your degree in a timely manner and not take more units than absolutely necessary, there are ways to use single courses to meet more than one requirement (overlap). For further information, please visit the General Education page (<http://catalog.csus.edu/colleges/academic-affairs/general-education/>).
Note: There is no way to list all possible overlaps so please consult with a professional advisor. The Academic Advising Center can be visited online (<http://www.csus.edu/acad/>), by phone (916) 278-1000, or email (advising@csus.edu).

² Area B5 fulfilled by Math 107A if enrolled in Subject Matter Certificate

³ Students enrolled in the Subject Matter Certificate are exempt from the 9 unit lower division requirement in Area C

⁴ Area C1 fulfilled by ART 133 if enrolled in Subject Matter Certificate

⁵ MUSC 101 and HIST 132 together satisfy Area C unit requirements if enrolled in the Subject Matter Certificate

⁶ Satisfied by the major

Graduation Requirements¹

Code	Title	Units
Graduation Requirements (required by CSU) (3-9 Units)		
American Institutions: U.S. History		0-3
American Institutions: U.S. Constitution & CA Government		3
Writing Intensive (WI)		0-3
Graduation Requirements (required by Sacramento State) (9 Units)		
English Composition II		3
Race and Ethnicity in American Society (RE)		0
Foreign Language Proficiency Requirement		6

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