

# CHILD DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATE TEACHER, ASSOCIATE IN SCIENCE DEGREE

**Banner Code:** 1\_AS\_CDAT  
**Financial Aid Eligible**

This degree prepares students to work as an Associate Teacher or Co-Teacher in an early care and learning program. This includes identifying stages of development, preparing developmentally appropriate curriculum, facilitating children's learning in all domains of development and supporting social skills. Students will gain hands on experience in a preschool classroom where they can develop effective teaching and interaction skills. Courses fulfill Title 22 licensing requirements, Title 5 early childhood education course requirements for the Child Development Permit at the teacher level, and 24 units of ECE required for Transitional Kindergarten teachers. A grade of "C" or better is required in all courses.

## Program Outcome

Meets the child development course requirements of the Child Development Permit at the Teacher level and provides enhanced employability, the holder can be employed as a Preschool Teacher or as part of a teaching team. It meets the needs of transitional kindergarten teachers who are required to have 24 units of child development or early childhood education in addition to their bachelor's degree and multiple subjects teaching credential.

Review Graduation Requirements (<https://catalog.cccd.edu/orange-coast/graduation-requirements/associate-degree/>) and General Education (<https://catalog.cccd.edu/orange-coast/general-education-patterns/>).

Course	Title	Units
<b>Required Courses</b>		
CDE A131	Creativity for Children	3
CDE A155	Principles and Practices of Teaching Young Children	3
CDE A156	Early Childhood Lab: Interactions with Young Children	2
CDE A157	Guidance for Young Children	3
CDE A180	Child, Growth and Development	3
CDE A190	Family, School and Community Partnerships	3
CDE A199	Current Issues in Early Childhood and Education	1-2
CDE A200	ECE Program - The Curriculum	3
<i>Restricted Electives - Select one course:</i>		3
CDE A130	Language Arts for Children	
CDE A132	Science and Math for Young Children	
<b>Total Units</b>		<b>24-25</b>

Requirement	Units
Minimum Program Major Units	24-25
AS General Education Option 1, 2, or 3	Varies
Transferable electives to satisfy unit requirement	Varies
Total Minimum Degree Units	60

These sequences at Orange Coast College are general course curriculum maps for students to finish all major and general education requirements for two-year completion of degrees, and/or fulfillment of transfer requirements. The course sequence may include course prerequisites and other placement requirements. **Students are advised to meet with an Orange Coast College Counselor to review course selections and sequences to ensure that completion of this program will meet a student's transfer and career goals.**

Course	Title	Units
<b>Year 1</b>		
<b>Semester 1</b>		
CDE A131	Creativity for Children	3
CDE A180	Child, Growth and Development <sup>1</sup>	3
OCC AS GE Area A1 - CHOOSE ONE		3
OCCC AS GE Area C1 - CHOOSE ONE		3
ELECTIVE (DEGREE APPLICABLE)		3
<b>Units</b>		<b>15</b>
<b>Semester 2</b>		
CDE A155	Principles and Practices of Teaching Young Children	3
CDE A157	Guidance for Young Children	3
CDE A130	Language Arts for Children	3
or CDE A132	or Science and Math for Young Children	
OCC AS GE AREA A2 - CHOOSE ONE <sup>2</sup>		3-4
Select one of the following or satisfy Math competency (completion of High School Algebra 2 with a "C" or better): <sup>2</sup>		3-4
MATH A030	Intermediate Algebra (or Higher)	
<b>Units</b>		<b>15-17</b>
<b>Year 2</b>		
<b>Semester 1</b>		
CDE A156	Early Childhood Lab: Interactions with Young Children	2
CDE A190	Family, School and Community Partnerships	3
OCC AS GE Area B - CHOOSE ONE <sup>3</sup>		3-4
OCC AS GE Area C2 - CHOOSE ONE		3
ELECTIVE (DEGREE APPLICABLE)		3
<b>Units</b>		<b>14-15</b>
<b>Semester 2</b>		
ELECTIVE (DEGREE APPLICABLE) <sup>4</sup>		3
CDE A199	Current Issues in Early Childhood and Education	1-2
CDE A200	ECE Program - The Curriculum	3
ELECTIVE (DEGREE APPLICABLE)		3
ELECTIVE (DEGREE APPLICABLE)		3

Course	Title	Units
ELECTIVE (DEGREE APPLICABLE) <sup>5</sup>		3
<b>Units</b>		<b>16-17</b>
<b>Total Units</b>		<b>60-64</b>

<sup>1</sup> OCC AS GE Area D

<sup>2</sup> Required if level MATH A100+ was not taken; if Math A100+ was taken, needs to take degree applicable elective units. Math requirement needed if not met by HS Algebra 2, OR take 3-4 degree applicable elective units if already met, \*100-level Math courses satisfy AS Math Requirement and OCC AS GE Area A2.

<sup>3</sup> No LAB required

<sup>4</sup> Can be taken during Winter/Intersession

<sup>5</sup> Varies to reach minimum 60 DEGREE APPLICABLE UNITS