

## 2022-23 ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

### 2022-2023 CHILD DEVELOPMENT (APCD)

#### Description

The Child Development Associate Degree program prepares students to be childhood education professionals. The coursework and practica prepare students to work effectively with young children and families in a variety of settings. The program satisfies Michigan state requirements for licensing as directors of child care centers, lead teachers in child care centers, home-based center providers, and support staff in public school early childhood programs and Head Start agencies. It also prepares students to transfer into a bachelor's degree program.

#### Articulation

Eastern Michigan University, BS degree Copies can be obtained from the Counseling Office, a program advisor, or from the Curriculum and Assessment Office  
Web site: <https://www.wccnet.edu/learn/transfer-wcc-credits/articulation-agreements.php> .

#### Admissions Requirements

Academic Reading and Writing Levels of 6 are required in the courses of this program.

#### Continuing Eligibility

Students who wish to enroll in child care practicum courses: ECD 132 or ECD 133 must be employed a minimum of 8 hours for 15 weeks for each credit of practicum. Permission is required to enroll in any ECD practicum course. Permission can be granted only after the student has submitted a Work Place Learning Agreement, Student Agreement and an Employer Agreement.

#### Course Requirements

##### First Semester

Class	Title	Minimum Credits
ECD 101	Child Development	3
ECD 122	Essentials of Early Care and Education - I	4
ECD 132	Child Development Practicum I	1
ENG 111	Composition I	4
Elective	Nat. Sci. Elective(s)	3
Total		15

##### Second Semester

Class	Title	Minimum Credits
ECD 123	Essentials of Early Care and Education - II	4
ECD 133	Child Development Practicum II	1
ECD 210	Curriculum for Young Children	3
Elective	Soc. Sci. Elective(s)*	3
COM 101 or	Fundamentals of Speaking	
COM 102 or	Interpersonal Communication	
COM 200	Family Communication	3
Total		14

##### Third Semester

Class	Title	Minimum Credits
ECD 180	Working with Families in a Diverse Society	3
ECD 200	Child Guidance and Classroom Management	3
ECD 220	Development and Care of Infants and Toddlers	3
ECD 230	Child Observation and Assessment	3
MTH 148 or	Functional Math for Elementary Teachers I	
	Any MTA MTH class	4
Total		16

##### Fourth Semester

Class	Title	Minimum Credits
ECD 240	Education of the Young Child with Exceptionalities	3
ECD 280	The Developing Professional in Early Childhood Education	2
ECD 281	Practicum for the Developing ECE Professional	1
Elective	Select one course: ECD 205 or ECD 225	3
ENG 240 or	Children's Literature	
ENG 242	Diverse Children's Literature	3
Elective	Select any course to reach a minimum of 60 credits.	3
Total		15

**Total Credits Required: 60**

**Footnotes**

\*Students are encouraged to select PSY 100 or SOC 100 for their social science elective.

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