
2024-25 ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

CHILD DEVELOPMENT (CTCDA)

Certificate

Jumpstart your career with a CDA! This program prepares students to meet all the requirements to apply for the national Child Development Associate (CDA) credential, the most widely recognized credential in early childhood education. The CDA is a key stepping stone on the path of career advancement. This program emphasizes skills from the 13 functional areas required by the National Council for Early Childhood Professional Recognition. hours. The CDA is recognized by the State of Michigan Child Care Licensing as a qualification needed for a lead teacher in a child care center or family child care home. This certificate can be earned with 10 credits and is the first step in achieving an associate degree.

T.E.A.C.H. scholarships covering tuition and the CDA assessment are available for qualified students. For more info: miaeyc.org.

Limited scholarships may be available for students living in and working in early childhood programs in Washtenaw County. Contact Beth Marshall for more information at beamarshall@wccnet.edu.

Important: Before starting any practicum, you may need to complete a criminal background check and/or fingerprinting, as required by the State of Michigan. You'll also need to provide proof of a negative TB (tuberculosis) test.

This is a **high demand** program as defined by the [Michigan Community College Network](#).

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