

2021-22 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. Students will also be prepared for employment in child care centers or in family home daycare settings working with infants and toddlers, or preschoolers. This program emphasizes skills from the 13 functional areas required by the National Council for Early Childhood Professional Recognition. This certificate can be earned with 10 semester hours in just one semester. It is the first step in achieving an associate degree and it is the minimum requirement for employment in most quality child care centers and early education programs.

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

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Description

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Admissions Requirements

Students must be at least 18 years of age and have a high school diploma or equivalent.

Course Requirements

Major/Area Requirements

Class	Title	Minimum Credits
CCP 122	Essentials of Early Care and Education - I	4
CCP 123	Essentials of Early Care and Education - II	4
CCP 132	Child Development Practicum I	1
CCP 133	Child Development Practicum II	1
	Optional (not required): CCP 124*	
Total		10

Total Credits Required: 10

Footnotes

*This additional course is not required for the WCC Certificate, but may be taken to prepare for the final assessment test administered by the National Council and to complete the final observation assessment for the Child Development Associate credential.

Accurate as of 09/24/2021 Information is subject to change without notice.