

# WORKING WITH EXCEPTIONAL CHILDREN SPECIALIZATION, CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT

**Banner Code:** 1\_CM\_CDWE  
**Control Number:** 42118  
**Not Financial Aid Eligible**

Designed to prepare students to work with children with special needs in early childhood and inclusive settings. This includes strategies for inclusion, recognizing atypical development and special populations and their needs, adapting curriculum, and empowering educators to support families. A grade of "C" or better is required in all courses.

## Program Outcome

Pathway for future Special Education teachers, and satisfies the specialization unit requirement for the Child Development Permit at the Master Teacher level. In conjunction with core units, the holder can be employed as a Preschool teacher, if paired with Child Development Lead Teacher certificate, holder can be employed as Lead Preschool Teacher or Mentor Teacher.

Review Graduation Requirements (<https://catalog.cccd.edu/orange-coast/graduation-requirements/certificates/#achievementtext>).

Course	Title	Units
<b>Required Courses</b>		
CDE A174	Collaborating with Families in Inclusive Environments	3
CDE A210	Introduction to the Exceptional Child	3
CDE A211	Strategies for Inclusion	3
<i>Restricted Electives</i>		
Select one course:		2
ALH A112	Introduction to Autism Spectrum Disorders and Applied Behavioral Analysis	
CDE A112	Introduction to Autism Spectrum Disorder and Applied Behavioral Analysis	
SLPA A112	Introduction to Autism Spectrum Disorder and Applied Behavioral Analysis	
<b>Total Units</b>		<b>11</b>

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 A210	Introduction to the Exceptional Child	3

Course	Title	Units
CDE A211	Strategies for Inclusion	3
ALH A112 or CDE A112 or SLPA A112	Introduction to Autism Spectrum Disorders and Applied Behavioral Analysis or Introduction to Autism Spectrum Disorder and Applied Behavioral Analysis or Introduction to Autism Spectrum Disorder and Applied Behavioral Analysis	2
<b>Units</b>		<b>8</b>
<b>Semester 2</b>		
CDE A174	Collaborating with Families in Inclusive Environments	3
<b>Units</b>		<b>3</b>
<b>Total Units</b>		<b>11</b>