

CHILD DEVELOPMENT CURRICULUM SPECIALIZATION, CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT

Banner Code: 1_CM_CDSCS

Control Number: 42119

Not Financial Aid Eligible

This certificate prepares students to design and implement emergent curriculum for children birth – 8 years. Provides a strong theoretical foundation for planning developmentally and culturally relevant curriculum which meets the needs of a diverse population. Satisfies the specialization unit requirement for the Child Development Permit at the Master Teacher level. A grade of “C” or better is required in all courses.

Program Outcome

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 the Child Development Lead Teacher certificate, holder can be employed as Lead Preschool Teacher or Mentor Teacher.

Certificate of Achievement Requirements

The Certificate of Achievement is a state-approved career program that requires a minimum of eight units and is designed to prepare the graduate to enter a particular field of employment. In order to be awarded a certificate, students are required to obtain a grade of “C” or better in all program-required courses. Grades of “CR” or “P” will be accepted whereas “CR” or “P” meets the equivalency of a “C” or better. At least 3 units in an advanced course from the certificate must be completed at OCC at the department’s discretion. Certificates of Achievement are not automatically awarded. A petition must be filed in Enrollment Services or online at the beginning of the semester in which the student will be completing their final requirements. The petitioning periods are listed in the Graduation Requirements (<https://catalog.cccd.edu/orange-coast/graduation-requirements/>) section of this catalog. Check with a counselor to determine the requirements for completion.

A list of certificate programs can be found in the Programs A-Z (<https://catalog.cccd.edu/orange-coast/programs-study/>) section of this catalog.

Course	Title	Units
Required Courses		
CDE A130	Language Arts for Children	3
CDE A131	Creativity for Children	3
CDE A132	Science and Math for Young Children	3
Total Units		9