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INFANT AND TODDLER SPECIALIZATION, CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT

Banner Code: 1_CM_CDIT **Control Number:** 42109 **Not Financial Aid Eligible**

This certificate provides students with a specialized focus on the unique strengths and needs of infants and toddlers. Students will study the developmental stages from birth to age 3, understand the importance of relationship-based care, and programming considerations. It is also recommended for licensed Family Child Care Providers who care for young children in their homes. A grade of "C" or better is required in all courses.

Program Outcome

Meets Title 22 minimum licensing requirements for employment as an Infant-Toddler Teacher, and satisfies the specialization unit requirement for the Child Development Permit at the Master Teacher level. If paired with Child Development Lead Teacher certificate holder can be employed as an Infant-toddler Teacher, 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 A131	Creativity for Children	3
CDE A184	Infant Development and Relationships	3
CDE A220	Infant and Toddler Programs	3
Total Units		9