



## **Child Development and Early Education A.A.A.**

Career Community: Education

Curriculum Code: 1637

Effective: Fall 2022 – Summer 2027

### **Description**

This degree program prepares individuals to work in early childhood education and care programs as a lead teacher, teacher assistant, or program director. This program has been awarded Early Childhood Associate Degree Accreditation from the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC), 1313 L St. NW, Suite 500, Washington, D.C. 20005. The curriculum is aligned with the NAEYC Professional Standards and Competencies for Early Childhood Educators, the Michigan Core Knowledge and Core Competencies for the Early Care and Education Workforce, and the Michigan Department of Education Birth-Kindergarten Standards for Teacher Certification. Students learn to plan and implement high quality, developmentally appropriate programs for children birth to age 12 in a variety of early childhood education settings. Graduates of the associate degree program meet the educational requirements for childcare center program directors as specified by the State of Michigan Child Care Licensing Bureau. This degree articulates with certain Child Development/Early Education bachelor degrees. Several semesters of daytime field work in early education and childcare settings is required.

### **Milestone**

In addition to the required General Education courses in Math and English, completion of CHDV 100, CHDV 101, and CHDV 111 with a 2.5 or higher is a key component for success in completing this program. Knowledge obtained in these courses is the foundation for learning in other required courses. Students are encouraged to contact their faculty if they need additional assistance with learning the concepts presented in these courses.

### **Additional Information**

This degree is designed for students seeking an associate degree. It is also for students who intend to transfer to a four-year college or university to pursue a baccalaureate degree in this subject area. Students completing this curriculum will satisfy the Michigan Transfer Agreement (MTA) between two-year and four-year institutions in Michigan and qualify for an LCC Transfer Studies Certificate of Achievement (1482).

Criminal background checks and DHHS Central Registry Clearance are required for students in CHDV field placement classes to meet State of Michigan Child Care Licensing regulations. To meet field placement requirements students must submit proof of COVID vaccination prior to beginning field experience.

Students enrolled in CHDV 284 may be required to complete a TB test for field placement.

All CHDV courses must be completed with a minimum 2.5 grade and all non-CHDV courses must be completed with a 2.0 grade to receive this degree.

To finish this Associate's Degree in the shortest possible time, students must enroll in CHDV 100, CHDV 101, and CHDV 111 in the first semester.

### **Contact Information**

Contact the Child Development Program, Health and Human Services Building, Room 108, telephone number 517-483-1410, or the Academic Advising Department, Gannon Building – StarZone, telephone number 517-483-1904.

### **General Education – Transfer Degrees (MTA), Recommended Courses**

(For the full list of options, see [General Education](#))

- English Composition – *Select one*  
ENGL 121, Composition I, 4 credits / 4 billing hours  
ENGL 131, Honors Composition I, 4 credits / 4 billing hours
- English Composition (second course)/Communications – *Select one*  
COMM 120, Dynamics of Communication, 3 credits / 3 billing hours
- Humanities and Fine Arts – *Select one, not from the ENGL discipline*  
HIST 220, Michigan History, 4 credits / 4 billing hours  
HUMS 120, Masterpieces of Art & Music, 4 credits / 4 billing hours  
RELG 150, Intro to World Religions, 4 credits / 4 billing hours  
SPAN 121, Elementary Spanish I, 4 credits / 4 billing hours
- Mathematics – *Select one*  
MATH 119, Math - Applications for Living, 4 credits / 4 billing hours  
STAT 170, Introduction to Statistics, 4 credits / 4 billing hours
- Natural Sciences – *Select two, each from a different discipline, one must be a lab course*  
BIOL 120, Environmental Science, 4 credits / 6 billing hours  
CHEM 135, Chemistry in Society, 4 credits / 5 billing hours  
ISCI 121, Integrated Sci for Education I, 4 credits / 6 billing hours  
PFHW 123, Human Nutrition, 3 credits / 3 billing hours
- Social Sciences  
Program of Study Required Courses will meet this requirement.

### Program of Study Required Courses

Course Code	Course Title	Credit / Billing Hours
CHDV 100	Foundations Early Childhood Ed	3 / 3
CHDV 101	Child Growth/Develop: 0-12 Yrs	4 / 4
CHDV 111	Child Guidance/Communication	4 / 4
CHDV 215	Infant Toddler Program Dev	4 / 4
CHDV 220	Preschool Curriculum Approach	4 / 4
CHDV 225	Families and Inclusion	4 / 4
CHDV 230	Early Childhood Program Admin	3 / 3
CHDV 284	Early Childhood Practicum	5 / 5
ENGL 208	Children's Literature	4 / 4
SOCL 120	Introduction to Sociology	4 / 4

### Program of Study Required Courses, Limited Choice – *Select one or two courses, minimum of two credits*

Course Code	Course Title	Credit / Billing Hours
CHDV 113	Health/Safety:Early Child Prog	2 / 2
CHDV 122	Creativity and Play	1 / 1
CHDV 123	Literacy and Play	1 / 1
CHDV 124	Young Investigators: Math/Sci	1 / 1
CHDV 126	Discovery Learning:Inf/Tod Gps	1 / 1
CHDV 129	Caring for Youngest Learners	2 / 2
CHDV 222	Caring for School Age Children	2 / 2

### Minimum Total Credit Hours

63 credits / 64 billing hours

### Recommended Course Sequence

Semester I (Fall)
MTA English Composition
CHDV 100 – Milestone course
CHDV 101 – Milestone course
CHDV 111 – Milestone course
Semester II (Spring)
MTA English Comp (2nd course) or Communications
MTA Mathematics
CHDV 215
ENGL 208

Semester III (Fall)
MTA Humanities and Fine Arts
MTA Natural Sciences
CHDV 220
CHDV 225
Limited Choice

Semester IV (Spring)
MTA Natural Sciences
CHDV 230
CHDV 284
SOCL 120

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