



Child Development and Early Education A.A.A.

Career Community: Education

Curriculum Code: 1637

Effective: Fall 2023 – Summer 2028

Description

This degree program prepares individuals to work in early childhood education and care programs as a lead teacher, teacher assistant, or program director and/or transfer to a four-year institution to major in Education with Michigan teacher certification in Birth-Pre-K and Pre-K – 3. The Child Development and Early Education Associate in Applied Arts Degree at Lansing Community College is accredited by the Commission on the Accreditation of Early Childhood Higher Education Programs of the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC), 1401 H Street NW, Suite 600, Washington, DC 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.

Not all courses in this pathway transfer to all colleges. Students who wish to transfer to a four-year institution should select coursework indicated for that institution.

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, and EDUC 204 or EDUC 220 with a 2.0 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. In

addition, students may also be required to show proof of vaccinations, including COVID, prior to beginning field placement.

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

For further information, including about career options, course substitutions and waivers, etc., contact the Child Development Program, Health and Human Services Building, Room 108, telephone number 517-483-1410, or Student Services, Gannon Building – Star Zone, telephone number 517-483-1904.

General Education – Transfer Degrees (MTA), Recommended Courses

Select courses as indicated for specific transfer institutions and majors. These courses are preferred General Education courses listed on Transfer Articulation agreements. The recommended courses in each General Education category also meet Michigan Transfer Agreement (MTA) requirements. If no course is indicated, choose from the list of options under [General Education](#). A minimum grade of 2.0 is required for each General Education course.

- English Composition
Education Career Community Courses meet this requirement.

- English Composition (second course)/Communication
Education Career Community Courses meet this requirement.

- Humanities and Fine Arts
Program of Study Required Courses meet this requirement.

- Mathematics
Education Career Community Courses meet this requirement.

- Natural Sciences
Program of Study Required Courses meet this requirement.

- Social Sciences
Education Career Community Courses meet this requirement.

Education Career Community Required Courses – *These courses are required for all Education programs (Child Development and Early Education, Education, and Teacher Paraprofessional). Some courses meet General Education requirements for Michigan Transfer Agreement (MTA). A minimum grade of 2.0 is required to meet LCC degree requirements for General Education courses and for all courses to transfer to other colleges (some colleges, and some programs within colleges, require a higher grade in a course.)*

Course Code	Course Title	Credit / Billing Hours
ACAD 100	First-Year Experience	1 / 1
CHDV 101	Child Growth/ Development: 0-12 Yrs	4 / 4
COMM 120 or COMM 130 or ENGL 122 or ENGL 132	Dynamics of Communication Fundamentals Public Speaking Composition II Honors Composition II	3 / 3 3 / 3 4 / 4 4 / 4
EDUC 204 or EDUC 220	Educational Psychology Introduction to Education	3 / 3 3 / 3
ENGL 121 or ENGL 131	Composition I Honors Composition I	4 / 4 4 / 4
MATH 119 or MATH 120 or STAT 170	Math – Applications for Living College Algebra Introduction to Statistics	4 / 4 4 / 4 4 / 4

Notes:

ACAD 100 may be waived when students meet one of the following College-approved waiver criteria:

- Completion of 12 college-level credits with minimum grades of 2.0 shown on the LCC transcript (including transfer, if applicable), or
- Employment in the field of, or a field related to, the degree being sought, or
- For Health Careers students, successful completion of CHSE 100.

Students wishing to waive ACAD 100 should contact their advisor.

For future transfer to:

- Central Michigan University (Pre-K – 3 and Pre-K – 6) choose EDUC 220, ENGL 122 or ENGL 132, and MATH 120.
- Eastern Michigan University (Early Childhood Comprehensive) choose EDUC 204, ENGL 122 or ENGL 132, and MATH 120.
- Ferris State University choose EDUC 220, ENGL 122 or ENGL 132, and MATH 120.
- Grand Valley State University choose EDUC 204, ENGL 122 or ENGL 132, and MATH 120.
- Michigan State University choose COMM 130, EDUC 204, and MATH 120.
- Western Michigan University choose EDUC 220, COMM 130, and MATH 119.

Program of Study Required Courses

Course Code	Course Title	Credit / Billing Hours
CHDV 100	Foundations Early Childhood Ed	3 / 3
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

Program of Study Required Courses, Limited Choices – Humanities and Fine Arts

– Select one, as indicated for each transfer institution and major. If a specific course is not indicated, choose any course.

Course Code	Course Title	Credit / Billing Hours
HIST 215 or HIST 216 or HIST 220	World History to 1500 World History since 1500 Michigan History	4 / 4 4 / 4 4 / 4
MUSC 199	Music Appreciation	3 / 3
RELG 210	Comparative Religions	3 / 3
SPAN 121	Elementary Spanish I	4 / 4

For future transfer to:

- Central Michigan University (Pre-K – 3 or Pre-K – 6) choose HIST 220.
- Eastern Michigan University (Elementary Comprehensive or Early Childhood Comprehensive) choose HIST 220.
- Ferris State University (Pre-K – 3) choose HIST 220.
- Grand Valley State University (Pre-K – 6) choose HIST 215 or HIST 216.
- Michigan State University choose HIST 220.
- Western Michigan University choose RELG 210.

Program of Study Required Courses, Limited Choice - Natural Sciences – Select two from different disciplines, as indicated for each transfer institution and major. If specific courses are not indicated, choose any two courses from two different disciplines. One must be a lab course.

Course Code	Course Title	Credit / Billing Hours
BIOL 120	Environmental Science	4 / 6
BIOL 125	Introductory Biology	4 / 6
CHEM 135	Chemistry in Society	4 / 5
ISCI 121	Physical Science Concepts	4 / 6

Course Code	Course Title	Credit / Billing Hours
PFHW 123	Human Nutrition	3 / 3
PHYS 120	The Art of Physics	4 / 5

For future transfer to:

- Central Michigan University (Early Childhood Development) choose BIOL 120 and CHEM 135.
- Eastern Michigan University (Children and Families) choose BIOL 125, and CHEM 135 or PFHW 123.
- Ferris State University (Pre-K – 6) choose BIOL 125 and ISCI 121.
- Grand Valley State University (Pre-K – 6) choose BIOL 125 and ISCI 121.
- Michigan State University choose BIOL 120 and PHYS 120.
- Western Michigan University choose BIOL 120 and PHYS 120.

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

Course Code	Course Title	Credit / Billing Hours
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 132	Leadership Early Childhood Ed	2 / 2
CHDV 222	Caring for School Age Children	2 / 2

Note: For future transfer to Grand Valley State University choose CHDV 222.

Minimum Total Credit Hours

61 credits / 62 billing hours

Recommended Course Sequence

Semester I (Fall)
ACAD 100
CHDV 100 – Milestone course
CHDV 101 – Milestone course
CHDV 111 – Milestone course
ENGL 121 or ENGL 131
Semester II (Spring)
CHDV 215 or CHDV 220
COMM 120, COMM 130, ENGL 122, or ENGL 132

Semester II (Spring)
ENGL 208
MATH 119, MATH 120, or STAT 170

Semester III (Fall)
CHDV 215 or CHDV 220
CHDV 225
EDUC 204 or EDUC 220 – Milestone course
Limited Choice
Limited Choice – Natural Sciences

Semester IV (Spring)
CHDV 230
CHDV 284
Limited Choice – Humanities and Fine Arts
Limited Choice – Natural Sciences

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