Bachelor of Science in Child Development



PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The Bachelor of Science (B.S.) degree in Child Development prepares individuals for professions with the goal to help children reach their fullest potential. With foundations in human development and child and family relationships, the Child Development degree program provides individuals ready to support the developmental needs of children (prenatal through adolescence) along with roles in human service organizations. The Child Development degree program offers a holistic approach to child studies, focusing on the typical and atypical developmental needs of children-physically, emotionally, socially, cognitively and culturally.

Are you ready to help positively influence the future for children and families?

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

- Serve in a variety of settings (i.e schools, social service and community resource organizations, early learning & care locations, home visiting programs, hospitals, therapeutic camps, children's museums)
- Complete field work and internship experiences with mentors by current early childhood and human services professionals
- Qualify for Kappa Omicron Nu, National Honor Society for the Human Services and ONU's chapter, Kappa Omicron Nu

POSSIBLE CAREERS

Child Development degree graduates work as human service professionals in settings and positions such as healthcare, government, nonprofit, private early childhood learning programs and early learning/care, caseworkers, developmental therapy, early intervention, child life specialists, and community support resource agencies, as well as pursue graduate level education for pediatric focus in occupational therapy, speech pathology and child and family counseling.



COURSE WORK

Child Development Major Courses

Personal Finance & Stewardship
Introduction to Child Development
Child Developmental Psychology
Health, Safety, Nutrition of Young Child
Learning Through Play
Infant and Toddler Care
Grief, Loss and Bereavement
Sociology of the Family
Early Child Phys. Growth/Motor Dev.
Child, Family and Community Relations
Observation & Assess Young Children
Early Childhood Program Development
Senior Seminar for Child Development
Human Development & Education
Instr. Methods Early Childhood Educ.
General Methods and Assessment
Language Development
Teaching Reading to Young Children
Inclusion of Exceptional Students
Nutrition, Health, and Fitness

Required Field Experience Hours

EDUC 175	Field Experience I (30 clock hours)
EDUC 275	Field Experience II (60 clock hours)
CDEV 488	Internship (225 clock hours)

Intro to Christianity

General Education Requirements

Electives

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Sample list of potential elective course offerings:

CDEV 380	Child Life Theory & Practice
CDEV 300	
SPED 321	Social and Emotional Supports
BIO 211	Medical Terminology

