

EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

San José City College offers an Associate in Science (AS), Associate in Science for Transfer (AS-T) degree and various certificates in Early Childhood Education (ECE). Graduates of the Associate in Science degree qualify through academic preparation and field experience for work in child centers, pre-schools, day care facilities, infant and toddler centers and other programs serving young children. They are able to use instructional techniques, which promote intellectual, social, emotional, physical, and creative growth in children. After completing the Associate in Science degree, students will be eligible for the Teacher Level of the State of California Children's Center Permit, and qualify for employment as teachers in government and privately funded early care and education programs. Students planning to transfer to a 4-year university should follow the AS-T degree. A grade of "C" or better is required in all ECE major, certificate and major elective courses.

Upon completion of the program, students will be prepared to:

- Analyze current requirements and standards for early childhood educators and early care and education programs.
- Design daily schedules and classroom interactions with children consistent with current knowledge of child development.
- Document and assess the needs of individual children in early care and education settings
- Plan and implement classroom based activities consistent with a developmentally appropriate curriculum.
- Communicate effectively with children, parents and coworkers verbally and in writing.
- Demonstrate knowledge of professional and ethical standards required to function successfully in early care and education programs.

CAREER OPTIONS *

- Child Care Assistant
- Child Care Associate Teacher
- Child Care Teacher
- Child Care Master Teacher
- Infant-Toddler Specialist
- Children's Center Teacher
- Family Child Care Provider
- Early Care Setting Program Director/Administrator

* Some career options may require a two or four year degree.

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, SEE A COUNSELOR, VISIT THE CAREER/TRANSFER CENTER, OR CONTACT THE FOLLOWING:

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Early Childhood Education Associate in Science

<u>Major Requirements:</u>			<u>UNITS</u>
ECE	101	Introduction to Curriculum	3
*ECE	101B	Practicum in Early Childhood Education	3
ECE	102	Principles & Practices of Teaching Young Children	3
ECE	104	Art and Creativity for Children	3
ECE	105	Language Development for Young Children	3
ECE	107	Child, Family, and Community	3
ECE	108	Health, Safety and Nutrition in Child Care	3
ECE	109	Music, Movement, and Rhythm Activities for Children	3
FCS	070	Child Development	3
PSYCH	092	Developmental Psychology	<u>3</u>
TOTAL			30

*ECE 101B must be taken at San José City College.

A.S. DEGREE REQUIREMENTS:

MAJOR REQUIREMENTS	30
APPROVED MAJOR ELECTIVES	6
GENERAL EDUCATION PATTERN/GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS	24
PHYSICAL ACTIVITY	<u>1</u>
TOTAL REQUIRED UNITS	61

APPROVED MAJOR ELECTIVES:

ECE	016	Storytelling for Children	2
ECE	017	Literacy Development in Children	2
ECE	018	Children's Literature	2
ECE	020	Observation and Assessment Methods in ECE	3
ECE	106	Administration and Supervision of Early Childhood Programs I	3
ECE	110	Administration and Supervision of Early Childhood Programs II	3
ECE	145	The Child with Special Needs	3
ECE	146	Child Guidance and Discipline	2
ECE	147	Teaching Young Children in a Diverse Society	3
ECE	191	Infant Toddler Development	3
ECE	195	The School Age Child: Development, Behavior, Curriculum Activities	3
FCS	019	Nutrition	3
PSYCH	010	General Psychology	3