



CHILD DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

Requirements for Certificates and Degrees

PRESCHOOL TEACHER- Certificate of Achievement or A.S. Degree

This program includes a selection of courses that provides academic preparation to individuals for a career as a preschool teacher in an early childhood setting. The program will give students general knowledge and skills in theory, principles, and techniques for working with young children ages three to six. The 40 units listed in this section enable students to complete a Preschool Teacher Certificate.

Students also have the option to earn an Associate in Science Degree in Child Development by completing 40 units for this Certificate and the General Education courses required by the college. Please see the current Palomar College catalog for further information regarding the Child Development Program and specific course descriptions.

Certificate Requirements

| COURSE | TITLE | UNITS | PLAN TO TAKE | COMPLETED |
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| CHDV CORE COURSES | | | | |
| CHDV 99 | Preparation for Child Development Majors | .5 | | |
| CHDV 100 * | Child Growth and Development | 3 | | |
| CHDV 104 | Guidance for Young Children | 3 | | |
| CHDV 105 | Observation and Assessment <i>Required Prerequisite: CHDV 100, Rec. Prep: ENG 50 (course is offered fall and spring only)</i> | 3 | | |
| CHDV 115 * | Child, Family, and Community | 3 | | |
| CHDV 120 | Health, Safety, and Nutrition | 3 | | |
| CHDV 185 | Introduction to Curriculum <i>Recommended Prep: minimum of 12 units of CHDV</i> | 3 | | |
| CHDV 201 | Practicum in Early Childhood Education <i>Required Prerequisites: CHDV 105, CHDV 105A/B/C, CHDV 115, CHDV 185 OR bachelor's degree plus CHDV 100, CHDV 115, 6 other units CHDV (course is offered fall only, to be taken in last year of CHDV program)</i> | 4 | | |
| PLUS | | | | |
| COURSE | TITLE | UNITS | PLAN TO TAKE | COMPLETED |
| CHDV 101 | Principles and Practices of Teaching Young Children | 3 | | |
| CHDV 105A ** | Observation, Assessment, and Participation Lab- Preschool <i>Required Prerequisite or Corequisite: CHDV 105 (course is offered fall and spring only)</i> | 1 | | |

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| CHDV 152A | Environmental Rating Scale for Early Childhood Settings <i>(course is offered online only)</i> | 1.5 | | |
| CHDV 202** + | Advanced Practicum in Early Childhood Education- Preschool <i>Required Prerequisite: CHDV 201</i> <i>(course is offered spring only, to be taken in last year of CHDV program)</i> | 3 | | |
| PLUS | | | | |
| | MINIMUM OF 9 UNITS OF ELECTIVE FROM THE FOLLOWING: CHDV 108- Dev. Appropriate Principles and Practices (1) CHDV 110- Introduction to Special Education (3) CHDV 125- Art in Early Childhood (3) CHDV 130- Math & Science in Early Childhood (3) CHDV 135- Music & Movement in Early Childhood (3) CHDV 140- Children’s Literature & Language Development (3) CHDV 142- Using Sign in the Early Childhood Setting (.5) CHDV 144- Effects of Media on Young Children (.5) | | | |
| TOTAL UNITS | | 40 | | |

* CHDV 100 and CHDV 115 are courses required by Community Care Licensing to work in a licensed child care center in the state of CA (please see <http://www.cclcd.ca.gov> for more information on Community Care Licensing)

** CHDV 105A and 202 placement for observation and supervised field experience must be in a classroom with preschool age children.

+ CHDV 202 should be taken in the last semester for this certificate or A.S. degree major program. Students must have completed, or be concurrently enrolled in all necessary classes required for this certificate during the semester they are enrolled in CHDV 202. See college catalog for more information.

- Individual employers may have varying academic requirements for employment.
- The Child Development Department strongly recommends students complete CHDV 100 during the fall or spring semester.
- For more information about our graduation rates, the median debt of students who complete the programs, and other important information, please visit <http://www2.palomar.edu/gainfulemployment/program/chdv-pre-c/>

CHILD DEVELOPMENT PERMIT INFORMATION:

- This certificate is **separate** from the Child Development permits issued by the state of CA Commission on Teacher Credentialing. Full-time CHDV faculty can provide advising and VOC (Verification of Completion) for Child Development Permit applications and renewals. **Please see the full-time CHDV faculty with any questions about the permit process.**
- Required courses for the Child Development Associate Teacher Permit are 12 units including CHDV 100, CHDV 115, and 3 units of curriculum from the following: CHDV 105, CHDV 106, CHDV 125, CHDV 130, CHDV 135, CHDV 140, or CHDV 185, plus 3 other units of CHDV.
- Specialization units for the Child Development Master Teacher Permit include CHDV 120 & 145, CHDV 103 & 106, CHDV 110 & 112, CHDV 102 & 104, OR CHDV 172 & MCS 100.
- CHDV 195 is required for the Child Development Master Teacher, Site Supervisor, and Program Director permits.

Advised by (initials and date): _____

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