

CHILD DEVELOPMENT

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Guided Pathway/Map

NOTE: The Guided Pathway below contain all the coursework required for degree/certificate completion. However, courses may be offered or taken in other semesters as long as prerequisites are met. Courses may be available days, nights, hybrid, and online.

	Course #	Course Name	Sem. Hours
Semester 1	ORI101/ ORI105/ ORT100	College Orientation OR Orientation and Student Success OR Orientation for Career Students	1 - 3
	ENG101	English Composition I	3
	CHD100	Introduction to Early Care and Education of Children	3
	CHD201	Child Growth and Development Principles	3
	CHD204	Methods and Materials for Teaching Your Children	3
		Eligible for CDA Certification	Semester Total:13-15
Semester 2	MTH116	Mathematical Applications OR Higher Math	3
	PSY200	General Psychology	3
	CHD202	Children's Creative Experience	3
	CHD203	Children's Literature and Language Development	3
			Semester Total: 12
Semester 3	Area II	Humanities/Fine Arts Elective	3
	SPH106 OR SPH107	Fundamentals of Oral Communication OR Fundamentals of Public Speaking	3
	CHD206	Children's Health and Nutrition	3
	CHD209	Infant and Toddler Education Programs	3
		Eligible for State of Alabama Child Abuse Mandated Reporter Training Certification	Semester Total: 12
Semester 4	Area III	Natural Science Elective	4
	CIS146	Microcomputer Applications	3
	CHD210	Educating Exception Children	3

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	CHD214	Families and Communities in Early Care and Education Programs	3
			Semester Total: 13
Semester 5	CHD213	Child Development Trends Seminar	3
	CHD215	Supervised Practical Experience in Child Development CPR Certification Exam	3
	CHD217	Math and Science for Young Children	3
	CHD222	Social Studies and Children	3
		Eligible for AAS in Child Development	Semester Total: 12 Total: 62-64

Child Development Field Experience Requirements

As a Child Development student, you will be expected to complete field experience observation and participation in childcare programs throughout your CHD courses. According to the Child Care Licensing and Performance Standards for Day Care and Nighttime Centers Regulations and Procedures from the Alabama Department of Human Resources, staff including substitutes and volunteers must meet the following minimum qualifications for records (page 42-43).

Required records include:

- DHR staff application (DH-CDC-1947)
- Three references (DHR-CDC-1948)
- Request for Clearance of State Central Registry on Child Abuse/Neglect (DHR-DFC-1598)
- Criminal History Background Check including Alabama Bureau of Investigations Fingerprint Clearance (Code of Alabama 1975, Title 38, Chapter 13, effective November 1, 2000)
- Medical examination including TB Test (DHR-CDC-737)
- CPR certification (*Students can take the course through the College by registering for EMS 100 concurrently with the initial registration in Child Development (CHD) courses.*)

Students cannot begin field experience observation and participation in childcare programs until CHD instructor has verified records. Students will keep records in their Student Learning Opportunities (SLO) Portfolio and make available to CHD instructors each semester.