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	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
	CHD202	Children's Creative Experience	3
		Eligible for CDA Certification	Semester Total:13-15
Semester 2	MTH116	Mathematical Applications OR Higher Math	3
	CHD203	Children's Literature and Language Development	3
	CHD204	Methods and Materials for Teaching Your Children	3
	CIS146	Microcomputer Applications	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
	CHD217	Math and Science for Young Children	3
		Eligible for State of Alabama Child Abuse Mandated Reporter Training Certification	Semester Total: 12
Semester 4	Area III	Natural Science Elective	4
	CHD210	Educating Exception Children	3
	CHD213	Child Development Trends Seminar	3

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	CHD214	Families and Communities in Early Care and Education Programs	3
			Semester Total: 13
Semester 5	CHD209	Infant and Toddler Education Programs	3
	CHD215	Supervised Practical Experience in Child Development	3
	CHD222	Social Studies for Children	3
	PSY200	General Psychology	3
			Semester Total: 12
		Eligible for AAS in Child Development	Total: 62-64

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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.)

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	CHD214	Families and Communities in Early Care and Education Programs	3
	CHD213	Child Development Trends Seminar	3
	SPH107 CHD206	Fundamentals of Public Speaking Children's Health and Nutrition	3
Semester 3	SPH106 OR	Fundamentals of Oral Communication OR	3
			Semester Total: 12
	CIS146	Microcomputer Applications	3
	CHD204	Methods and Materials for Teaching Your Children	3
	CHD203	Children's Literature and Language Development	3
Semester 2	MTH116	Mathematical Applications OR Higher Math	3
		Eligible for CDA Certification	Semester Total:13-15
	CHD209/ CHD210/ CHD222	Infant and Toddler Education Programs OR Educating Exception Children OR Social Studies for Children	
	CHD202/	Children's Creative Experience OR	3
	CHD100 CHD201	Introduction to Early Care and Education of Children Child Growth and Development Principles	3
	ENG101	English Composition I	3
	ORT100	Orientation for Career Students	
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		Eligible for Certificate in Child Development	Total: 40-42

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Semester 1	CHD 100	Introduction to Early Care and Education of Children	3
	CHD 201	CHD Elective – Excluding CHD 215	3
	CHD 202/	Children's Literature and Language Development OR	3
	CHD 203/	Methods and Materials for Teaching Young Children OR	
	CHD 204/	Methods and Materials for Teaching Young Children OR	
	CHD 206/	Children's Health and Safety OR	
	CHD 209/	Infant and Toddler Education Programs OR	
	CHD 210/	Educating Exceptional Children OR	
	CHD 213/	Child Development Trends Seminar OR	
	CHD 214/	Families and Communities in Early Care and Education OR	
	CHD 217/	Math and Science for Young Children OR	
	CHD 222	Social Studies for Children	
		ELIGIBLE FOR CDA EDUCATIONAL CERTIFICATION	Semester Total: 9
			Program Total: 9

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