# PATHWAYS
## Your Guide to Completion

| | | CHILD DEVELOPMENT | |
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| | | **Associate of Applied Science Degree** | |
| | **Course #** | **Course Name** | **Credit Hours** |
| Semester 1 | ORI 101/ | Orientation to College **OR** | 1 - 3 |
| | ORI 105/ | Orientation and Student Success **OR** | |
| | ORT 100 | Orientation for Career Students | |
| | ENG 101 | English Composition I | 3 |
| | CHD 100 | Introduction to Early Care and Education of Children | 3 |
| | CHD 201 | Child Growth and Development Principles | 3 |
| | CHD 202 | Children's Creative Experience | 3 |
| | | **Eligible for CDA Certification** | **Semester Total: 13-15** |
| Semester 2 | MTH 116 | Mathematical Applications OR Higher Math | 3 |
| | CHD 203 | Children's Literature and Language Development | 3 |
| | CHD 204 | Methods and Materials for Teaching Your Children | 3 |
| | CIS 146 | Microcomputer Applications | 3 |
| | | | **Semester Total: 12** |
| Semester 3 | Area II Elective | Humanities/Fine Arts Elective | 3 |
| | SPH 106/ | Fundamentals of Oral Communication OR Fundamentals of | 3 |
| | SPH 107 | Public Speaking | |
| | CHD 206 | Children's Health and Nutrition | 3 |
| | CHD 217 | 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 Elective | Natural Science Elective | 4 |
| | CHD 210 | Educating Exception Children | 3 |
| | CHD 213 | Child Development Trends Seminar | 3 |
| | CHD 214 | Families and Communities in Early Care and Education Programs | 3 |
| | | **ELIGIBLE FOR STACKABLE CERT - Child Development** | **Semester Total: 13** |
| Semester 5 | CHD 209 | Infant and Toddler Education Programs | 3 |
| | CHD 215 | Supervised Practical Experience in Child Development | 3 |
| | CHD 222 | Social Studies for Children | 3 |
| | PSY 200 | General Psychology | 3 |
| | | | **Semester Total: 12** |
| | | **ELIGIBLE FOR AAS - Child Development** | **Program Total: 62-64** |

**NOTE:** The Guided Pathway provided above includes all the necessary coursework for degree/certificate fulfillment. However, courses can be offered or taken in alternate semesters, provided prerequisites are fulfilled. Courses may be scheduled during daytime, evening, hybrid, or online sessions. For specific course requirements, consult the ALABAMA TRANSFERS GUIDE @ https://alabamatransfers.com or contact the transfer institution.

**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 them available to CHD instructors each semester.**