PATHWAYS — Your Guide to Completion

CHILD DEVELOPMENT
Associate of Applied Science Degree

	Course #	Course Name	Credit Hours
Semester 1	ORI 101/ ORI 105/ ORT 100	Orientation to College **OR** Orientation and Student Success **OR** Orientation for Career Students	1 - 3
	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/ SPH 107	Fundamentals of Oral Communication OR Fundamentals of Public Speaking	3
	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**

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Child Development Field Experience Requirements:

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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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CHILD DEVELOPMENT
Certificate

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	ORI 105/	Orientation and Student Success **OR**	
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	CHD 201	Child Growth and Development Principles	3
	CHD 202/	Children's Creative Experience **OR**	3
	CHD 209/	Infant and Toddler Education Programs **OR**	
	CHD 210/	Educating Exception Children **OR**	
	CHD 222	Social Studies for Children	
		Eligible for CDA Certification **ELIGIBLE FOR STACKABLE STC - Pre-K Endorsement**	**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	SPH 106/	Fundamentals of Oral Communication **OR**	3
	SPH 107	Fundamentals of Public Speaking	
	CHD 206	Children's Health and Nutrition	3
	CHD 213	Child Development Trends Seminar	3
	CHD 214	Families and Communities in Early Care and Education Programs	3
	CHD 217	Math and Science for Young Children	3
		Eligible for State of Alabama Child Abuse Mandated Reporter Training Certification	**Semester Total: 15**
		ELIGIBLE FOR CERT - Child Development	**Program Total: 40-42**

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CHILD DEVELOPMENT - PRE-K ENDORSEMENT
Short-Term Certificate

	Course #	Course Name	Credit Hours
Semester 1	CHD 100	Introduction to Early Care and Education of Children	3
	CHD 201	Child Growth and Development Principles	3
	CHD 202/	Children's Creative Experiences **OR**	3
	CHD 203/	Children's Literature and Language Development **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 (Upon Portofolio Completion)	**Semester Total: 9**
		ELIGIBLE FOR STC - Pre-K Endorsement	**Program Total: 9**

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