

CHILD DEVELOPMENT CAREERS

A.A.S. Degree, 60 credits



The Child Development program is designed to establish foundations in early childhood education, improve the quality of early childhood services, and increase professionalism in the field. Students will learn skills such as guidance techniques, health and safety, cultural sensitivity, curriculum planning, enhancing literacy and interpersonal communication. Education for early childhood licensure is provided by South Central College according to the Minnesota Department of Human Services requirements. Individuals will be prepared for careers in a variety of early childhood and educational settings. Graduates may pursue positions, such as early childhood teachers or assistants, or as paraprofessionals within a school system.

This is a sample program plan based on a FALL start date and full-time enrollment with no college readiness course requirements.

NOTE: All program plans are preliminary and curriculum may change without notice. Your catalog of record may have different requirements.

Semester One — 16 Credits

Course ID	Course Name	Credits
CDEV 1210	Child Growth & Development	3
CDEV 1220	Health, Safety & Nutrition	3
CDEV 1230	Guiding Children's Behaviors	3
CDEV 1240	Working with Diverse Families & Children	3
CDEV 1260	Observation & Assessment 1	1
CDEV 1270	Learning Environments and Curriculum	3

Semester Two — 15 Credits

CDEV 1312	Preschool Dev. & Learning Experiences	3
CDEV 2520	Children with Challenging Behaviors	3
CDEV 2550	Cognitive Development	3
LAS Electives	MNTC Credits*	3
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Semester Three — 15 credits

CDEV 1310	Infant/Toddler Dev. & Learning Experiences	3
CDEV 2310	Children with Differing Abilities	3
CDEV 2590	Social/Emotional Development	3
CDEV2530	Curriculum Planning	3
LAS Electives	MNTC Credits*	3

Semester Four—14 credits

CDEV 2210	Observation & Assessment 2	2
CDEV2560	Language/Literacy Development	3
CDEV 2510	Internship	3
LAS Electives	MNTC Credits*	3
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Eligibility Requirements

To be enrolled in the Child Development program, the following requirements must be met:

- A background study conducted by the Minnesota Department of Human Services
- A high school diploma, an equivalency certificate, or participating as a PSEO student
- A grade of C or higher is required in Child Development technical courses

Program Location: North Mankato

Admission Dates: Fall or Spring Semester

Courses may be delivered on ground, online or hybrid. Contact Advisor for online option availability.

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***NOTE:** To earn this degree, students must complete 15 LAS (Liberal Arts & Sciences) MNTC credits from 3 of the 10 MNTC Goal Areas. Requirements include one course in MNTC area 1 (ENG or COMM), one course in area 5 (SOC or PSYCH), and one course in another MNTC area. The sequence in which a student takes the required Liberal Arts & Sciences and Technical Education credits is determined by the student's schedule, goals and skills, as well as class availability. Prerequisites may be required for some courses. **Be sure to meet with a Program Advisor before starting.**