

Madonna University

Child Development • College of Education

About the Program

Overview

Madonna University offers a major and a minor in child development. A minor in early childhood education is also available for those completing the requirements for elementary (K-8) certification. The Early Childhood Endorsement program is offered both at the undergraduate and post degree levels.

The program focuses on the growth and development of a child from the prenatal stage through early elementary school age. Theories of child development are studied. Students learn to plan and assess environments, materials, activities and interactions that will facilitate children's emotional, social, cognitive, and physical development.

Unique features

- Quality faculty in field of child development
- Supervised work experience in a professional situation with young children
- Flexible scheduling and smaller personalized classes
- Child Development may be combined with a second major such as psychology or social work to tailor the program to career goals

Child Development Major: Bachelor of Science (43 s.h.)

Required Major Courses:

CD 2160	Child Development and Guidance	4 s.h.
CD 2650	The Role of Content in Early Child. Curriculum	4 s.h.
CD 3100	Language Development and Language Arts	3 s.h.
CD 3160	Administration of Child Care Centers	3 s.h.
CD 3580	Developing Curriculum for Early Childhood	3 s.h.
CD 3930	Preschool Practicum	1 s.h.
CD 4100	Philosophies in Early Childhood Education	3 s.h.
CD 4130	Parents and Teachers – Partners in Education	3 s.h.
CD 4160	Assessing Children's Behavior	2 s.h.
CD 4500	Issues Challenging Children and Families	3 s.h.
CD 4920	Directed Teaching Seminar Child Development	1s.h.
CD 4930	Directed Teaching C. D.	4 s.h.
CD 4950	Senior Seminar	2 s.h.
FCS 3530	Marriage and the Family	4 s.h.
NFS 2380	Maternal and Child Nutrition	<u>3 s.h.</u>
		43 s.h.

Child Development Major: Associate of Science (28 s.h.)

Required Major Courses:

CD 2160	Child Development and Guidance	4 s.h.
CD 2650	The Role of Content in Early Child. Curriculum	4 s.h.
CD 3100	Language Development and Language Arts	3 s.h.
CD 3160	Administration of Child Care Centers	3 s.h.
CD 3580	Developing Curriculum for Early Childhood	3 s.h.
CD 3930	Preschool Practicum	2 s.h.
NFS 2380	Maternal and Child Nutrition	3 s.h.
	Major electives	<u>6 s.h.</u>
		28 s.h.

NOTE: The Early Childhood Education Minor is available only upon completion of the requirements for Elementary (K-8) Teacher Certification.

Child Development Minor (22 s.h.)

Required Minor Courses:

CD 2160	Child Development and Guidance	4 s.h.
CD 2650	The Role of Content in Early Child. Curriculum	4 s.h.
CD 3100	Language Development and Language Arts	3 s.h.
CD 3580	Developing Curriculum	3 s.h.
CD 3930	Preschool Practicum	2 s.h.
CD 4100	Philosophies in Early Childhood Education	3 s.h.
NFS 2380	Maternal and Child Nutrition	<u>3 s.h.</u>
		22 s.h.

Early Childhood Education Minor (25 s.h.)

Required Minor Courses:

CD 2160	Child Development and Guidance	4 s.h.
CD 2650	The Role of Content in Early Child. Curriculum	4 s.h.
CD 3100	Language Development and Language Arts	3 s.h.
CD 3580	Developing Curriculum for Early Childhood	3 s.h.
CD 3930	Preschool Practicum	2 s.h.
CD 4130	Parents and Teachers - Partners in Education	3 s.h.
CD 4160	Assessing Children's Behavior	2 s.h.
CD 4700	Directed Teaching E.C.	3 s.h.
CD 4810	Directed Teaching Seminar Early Childhood	<u>1 s.h.</u>
		25 s.h.

Required Support Courses:

ART 3160	Art for Elemen. Teachers	2 s.h.
ENG/SPH 3000	Children's Literature and Drama	4 s.h.
MTH 2330	Learning and Teaching Number Concepts	3 s.h.
MTH 2340	Learning and Teaching Geometric and Statistical Concepts	3 s.h.
MUS 3090	Music for Classroom Teachers	2 s.h.
NSC 3730	Science Foundations I: Chemistry and Life Science	4 s.h.
NSC 3740	Science Foundations II: Earth Sci., Physics, Astron.	4 s.h.
SSC 3070	Social Studies Found.	<u>3 s.h.</u>
		25 s.h.



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equal educational opportunity without
discrimination because of race, religion, sex,
national origin, age, or disabilities. 11/07

Transfer students seeking to
further their studies in an early
childhood education program
may have their child care
credits evaluated by the
department.

**Certified elementary teachers
may earn the Early Childhood
(ZA) endorsement** post-bachelor
or in the Master of Arts in Teaching
and Learning program. The required
undergraduate prerequisites to the
MAT in Early Childhood are:

Required Prerequisites:
CD 2160 Child Development and
Guidance 4 s.h.
CD 2650 The Role of Content in
Early Childhood Curric. 4 s.h.
CD 3930 Preschool Practicum 1 s.h.

Interim Occupational Certificate (Vocational Authorization)

The Interim Occupational Certificate
(Vocational Authorization) for
secondary school teaching is available
with a major in Child Development
and appropriate work experience. See
the Education Advisor in Room 2228
for more information.

Selected Course Offerings

Child Development and Guidance

Growth and behavior of a child
from the prenatal stage through
early childhood as well as guidance
techniques for each stage of
development.

The Role of Content in Early Childhood Curriculum

The elements of art, music, creative
play, movement, science, and
mathematics in curriculum plan-
ning. Creative activities in these
curriculum areas based on the
developmental needs of children
birth to age 8. Emphasis placed on
the integration of these content
areas into the daily or weekly plans
for children's learning in the
affective, cognitive, and psycho-
motor domains. Prerequisite: CD
2160.

Issues Challenging Children and Families

A survey of issues that present
challenges to children and families.
Students learn how current societal
factors present stress to the family
as it seeks to nurture the emotional/
social and cognitive development
of children. Assessment of
community resources available for
families.

Career Opportunities

Child Development Services
Consultant for Business and
Industry
Day Care Center
Family Day Care
Parenting Education
Residential Child Care
Hospital Child/
Family Specialist