



CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

Degree, Permit, and Certificate Requirements

The following requirements for the major are subject to change without notice. To assure the accuracy of the information on this sheet, you should consult with an El Camino College counselor and/or visit the website for the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing (www.ctc.ca.gov).

The degree and certificates in Childhood Education prepare students for careers in private or public programs serving infants, toddlers, preschoolers, children with special needs, or children in before or after school care. Please see below for specific El Camino College major and certificate course requirements.

The California Commission on Teacher Credentialing child development permits authorize the holder to teach in early childhood education programs such as Head Start and those offered through school districts. All coursework toward the permit must be completed with a minimum grade of C, and each permit is renewable after five years by completing 105 hours of professional growth activities under the direction of a Professional Growth Advisor. (Note: Alternate routes to the permit are available for students who already possess a college degree. Please see a child development counselor for details).

CHILD DEVELOPMENT PERMITS

Permit	Requirements
Teaching Assistant	Any two child development courses. CD 3 and 9 are recommended.
Associate Teacher	CD 3 and 9 Three units from CD 116, 117, 118, or 119 Three units from CD 4,7, 108, 12, 110, 11, 116*, 117*, 118*, 119*, 20, 29, 130, 31, 32, 33, 34, 45, 46,135, 160, 163, 166, 169, Nursing 112, or Nutrition and Foods 15 50 days of experience, paid or volunteer, with a minimum of three hours per day in the past two years
Teacher	CD 3 and 9 Three units from CD 116, 117, 118, or 119 Fifteen units from CD 4, 7, 108, 12, 110, 11, 116 ,* 117*, 118*, 119*, 20, 29, 130, 31, 32, 33, 34, 45, 46, 135, 160, 163, 166, 169, Nursing 112, or Nutrition and Foods 15 Sixteen GE units in English/language arts; math or science; social sciences; and humanities/fine arts 175 days of experience, paid or volunteer, with a minimum of three hours per day in the past four years
Master Teacher	Meet teacher permit requirements Complete six specialization units and two adult supervision units (CD 31) Note: For specialization options, please see the Child Development counselor 350 days of experience, paid or volunteer, with a minimum of three hours per day in the past four years
Site Supervisor	Meet teacher permit requirements along with an associate's degree Complete CD 29, 130, and 31 350 days of experience, paid or volunteer, with a minimum of three hours per day (including at least 100 days supervising adults) in the past four years
Director	BA degree 24 units of child development courses including CD 3, 9, 29, 130, and 31 One year of Site Supervisor experience

EL CAMINO COLLEGE CHILDHOOD EDUCATION MAJOR REQUIREMENTS (15 units at ECC are required).

Core: Child Development 3, 4 or 32**, 9, 12, and 34**

Curriculum: Choose two courses from Child Development 116, 117, 118, or 119

Electives: Choose eight to nine additional units from Child Development 4,* 7, 108, 110, 116*, 117*, 118*, 119*, 20, 29, 130, 31, 32,* 33, 45, 46,135, 160, 163, 166, 169, or Nutrition and Food 15

*If these courses have not already been taken

**If you began your course of study prior to Fall 2007 and have been continuously enrolled, do not take CD 32 or 34.

EL CAMINO COLLEGE CHILDHOOD EDUCATION CERTIFICATES

El Camino College students may also earn a Certificate of Achievement in the following areas:

Early Childhood Education Option: Complete Child Development 3, 4 or 32, 108, 9, 110, 12, 20, and 34 and two courses from Child Development 116, 117, 118, or 119. (Note: At least 15 units, including Child Development 20 and two courses from Child Development 116, 117, 118, and 119, must be completed at El Camino College).

Infant/Toddler Education Option: Complete Child Development 3, 4 or 32, 7, 9, 110, 11,12, 20, and Nutrition and Foods 15 and one course from Child Development 116, 117, or 119. (Note: At least 15 units, including Child Development 20 and one course from Child Development 116, 117, and 119, must be completed at El Camino College).

School Age Child Care Option: Complete Child Development 3, 4 or 32, 9, 110, 12, 20, 34, 45, and 46; and two courses from English 27, Music 7, Math 110, Physical Science 25, Oceanography 10, or Geology 6. (Note: At least 15 units, including Child Development 20 and Child Development 45 or 46 must be completed at El Camino College).

Program Administration Option: Complete Child Development 3, 4 or 32, 108, 9, 20, 29, 130, 31, and 34 and six units from Child Development 4, 7, 110, 116, 117, 118, 119, 45, 46, 135, 160, 163, 166, or Nutrition and Foods 15. (Note: At least 15 units, including Child Development 29 or 30 and Child Development 31, must be completed at El Camino College).

Special Education Assistant Option: Complete Child Development 3, 4, 9, 11, 32, 33, 169, and 110 OR Nursing 112; one course from Child Development 116, 117, 118, or 119; and six units from Child Development 7, 108, 34, 45, 160, 163, 166, Nursing 118, Nutrition and Foods 15, or Sign Language and Interpreter Training 15. (Note: A minimum of 15 units, including Child Development 32 and 33, must be completed at El Camino College).

School Health Clerk Option: Complete Child Development 3, 110, and 11 and Nursing 110, 112, and 114; three units from Child Development 4, 7, 108, 9, 32 (OR Nursing 116), 34, 45, 160, 163, 166, Nursing 118, Nutrition and Foods 15, or Sign Language and Interpreter training 15. (Note: At least 15 units, including Nursing 110, 112, and 114, must be completed at El Camino College).