## Model Child Development Transfer Program

This consortium project with systemwide impact will develop a model Child Development (CD) transfer program by reviewing, revising, and articulating programs at Grossmont College and San Diego State University.

Work will be done in conjunction with the "Advancing Careers in Child Development: California’s Plan". This statewide plan is a result of 2 years work by over 100 policy makers representing all aspects of CD education in California. Policy makers included Sheridan DeWolf, Grossmont College, and leaders from other California Community Colleges (CCC's), universities and high schools. "California's Plan" is to "create a coordinated state system that offers clear career pathways with articulated training and credentialing." It will eventually impact all CD programs at CCC's and California State Universities (CSU's) by creating standards for the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing for the new Child Development Permit.

The five phases of this project are:

1. Child Development curriculum review including input from an advisory committee focusing on special needs children and multicultural/multilingual components
2. Curriculum revision based upon committee recommendations
3. Comprehensive articulation planning between the two institutions
4. Development of an articulated model child development transfer program
5. Dissemination of the prototype via brochures, implementation manual and conference presentations.

The systemwide impact of this FII project is to provide all CCC and CSU CD programs with the implementation manual describing the fully articulated transfer program. The improved seamless curriculum will benefit all students especially working and re-entry students.