



Child Development and Early Education C.A.

Curriculum Code: 0133

Effective: Fall 2021 – Summer 2026

Description

This certificate program prepares individuals for positions as assistant teachers or teachers in early childhood education and care programs. The curriculum is aligned with the standards issued by the National Association for the Education of Young Children and the Michigan Early Childhood Core Knowledge and Core Competencies. Courses for the certificate can be applied toward the associate degree. This curriculum requires four semesters to complete, not including summer. Several semesters of daytime field work in early education and child care settings are required.

Additional Information

- All CHDV courses must be completed with a minimum 2.5 grade and all non-CHDV courses must be completed with a 2.0 grade to receive this certificate.
- Criminal background checks and DHHS Central Registry Clearance are required for students in CHDV field placement classes to meet State of Michigan child care program regulations.
- Students enrolled in CHDV 284 may be required to complete a TB test for field placement.

To finish an Associate's Degree or Certificate in Child Development in the shortest possible time, students must enroll in CHDV 100, CHDV 101, and CHDV 111 in the first semester.

Contact Information

Contact the Child Development and Early Education Program, Health and Human Services Building, Room 108, telephone number 517-483-1410, or the Academic Advising Department, Gannon Building - StarZone, telephone number 517-483-1904.

Program of Study Required Courses

Course Code	Course Title	Credit / Billing Hours
CHDV 100	Foundations Early Childhood Ed	3 / 3
CHDV 101	Child Growth/Develop: 0-12 Yrs	4 / 4
CHDV 111	Child Guidance/Communication	4 / 4
CHDV 215	Infant Toddler Program Dev	4 / 4
CHDV 220	Early Child Curr/Learn Environ	4 / 4
CHDV 225	Families and Inclusion	4 / 4
CHDV 230	Early Childhood Program Admin	3 / 3
CHDV 284	Early Childhood Practicum	6 / 6

Program of Study Required Courses - Select one

Course Code	Course Title	Credit / Billing Hours
ENGL 121	Composition I	4 / 4
ENGL 131	Honors Composition 1	4 / 4

Program of Study Required Courses, Limited Choices - Select one or two courses, minimum of 2 credits

Course Code	Course Title	Credit / Billing Hours
CHDV 113	Health/Safety:Early Child Prog	2 / 2
CHDV 122	Creativity and Play	1 / 1
CHDV 123	Literacy and Plan	1 / 1
CHDV 124	Young Investigators: Math/Sci	1 / 1
CHDV 126	Discovery Learning:Inf/Tod Gps	1 / 1
CHDV 129	Caring for Youngest Learners	2 / 2
CHDV 222	Caring for School Age Children	2 / 2

Total Credit Hours

38 credits / 38 billing hours

Recommended Course Sequence

Semester I (Fall)	Semester II (Spring)
CHDV 100	CHDV 215
CHDV 101	CHDV 230
CHDV 111	ENGL 121 or 131

Semester III (Fall)	Semester IV (Spring)
CHDV 220	CHDV 284
CHDV 225	Limited Choice