ASSOCIATE IN SCIENCE IN EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION FOR TRANSFER

The Associate in Science in Early Childhood Education for Transfer prepares students to transfer and study child development and early childhood education. Students will complete lower-division coursework in principles and practices of early childhood education; curriculum; observation and assessment; child growth and development; and health and safety. The Associate in Science in Early Childhood Education for Transfer is designed to prepare students for a seamless transfer into the CSU system to complete a baccalaureate degree in Early Childhood Education or similar major. Priority admission with junior status to the CSU system will be granted. Students completing this degree are exempt from Mendocino College Institutional Requirements.

Required Courses – Major:		Units
CDV 100	Principles and Practices of Teaching Young Children	3
CDV 101	Introduction to Curriculum in Early Childhood Education	3
CDV 107	Practicum in Child Development	4
CDV 108	Observation and Assessment	3
CDV 109	Child Health, Nutrition, and Safety	3
CDV 180	The Child, the Family, and the Community	3
CDV 200	Child Growth and Development: Conception through Adolescence	3
CDV 202	Culture and Diversity in Early Childhood Education	3
Total Major Units		25
Total Degree Units		60

Program Level Student Learning Outcomes:

- **1.** Identify, describe, and facilitate developmentally appropriate active learning experiences for individual areas: language and early literacy, arts and creative process, music and movement, math, and science.
- **2.** Demonstrate effective advocacy skills appropriate for young children, the programs, and the professionals who serve them.
- **3.** Demonstrate skills in observing and recording behavior, assessing children's interest, and assessing skill development.
- 4. Identify, define, and apply nutritional, healthy, and safe practices in the classroom.
- 5. Describe stages and developmental milestones of physical, cognitive, language, social and emotional development in children from birth to age 8.

Career Opportunities in EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

Completing the baccalaureate degree or graduate level work can lead to a variety of opportunities including preschool education (private and public), social work, primary education intervention, and as para-professionals. Students would also be eligible to teach at the preschool level with the Associate in Science in Early Childhood Education for Transfer degree.

Associate Degree for Transfer Requirements:

- Completion of 60 semester units or 90 quarter units of degree-applicable courses,
- Minimum overall grade point average of 2.0,
- Minimum grade of "C" (or "P") for each course in the major, and
- Completion of IGETC and/or CSU GE-Breadth.