

# EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION (For Transfer)

## DEGREES, CERTIFICATES AND AWARDS

Associate in Science Degree in Early Childhood Education for Transfer (AS-T)

### DESCRIPTION

Early Childhood Education is the study of the physical, socio-emotional and cognitive growth and development of the child from conception through adolescence. The purpose of this major is to provide a sound academic program in child development and to prepare students to work with children and families in a variety of school and community settings. Early Childhood Education students pursue careers in day care and preschool teaching and administration; parent education; elementary school teaching; community college teaching; or work with a variety of counseling, social service and community agencies.

The Associate in Science in Early Childhood Education for Transfer is intended for students who plan to complete a bachelor's degree in a similar major at a CSU campus. Students completing this degree are guaranteed admission to the CSU system, but not to a particular campus or major.

### PROGRAM LEARNING OUTCOMES

1. Exhibit grounding in a child development knowledge base.
2. Demonstrate knowledge in building relationships with children, family and community.
3. Observe, document, and assess to support young children and families.
4. Demonstrate developmentally effective approaches to create positive relationships and supportive interactions as the foundation in working with children and families from diverse societies.
5. Use content knowledge to build meaningful curriculum.
6. Demonstrate Professionalism.

### ASSOCIATE DEGREE PROGRAM ( For Transfer)

The Associate in Arts for Transfer (AA-T) or the Associate in Science for Transfer (AS-T) degree is intended for students who plan to complete a bachelor's degree in a similar major at a CSU campus. Students completing these degrees (AA-T or AS-T) are guaranteed admission to the CSU system, but not to a particular campus or major. In order to earn one of these degrees, students must complete a minimum of 60 required semester units of CSU-transferable coursework with a minimum GPA of 2.0. Students transferring to a CSU campus that does accept the AA-T or AS-T will be required to complete no more than 60 units after transfer to earn a bachelor's degree (unless the major is a designated "high-unit" major). This degree may not be the best option for students intending to transfer to a particular CSU campus or to university or college that is not part of the CSU system. Students should consult with a counselor when planning to complete this degree for more information on university admission and transfer requirements.

### CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Of the career opportunities identified many will usually require the completion of degree requirements at 4-year colleges and universities.

- Adoption Counselor
- Before and After School Teacher/Director
- Child Life Specialist
- Community College Instructor
- Counselor - Career,
- Counselor – Community
- Counselor – Marriage/Family/Child
- Counselor – School
- Early Childhood Special Education Specialist
- Elementary School Teacher
- Child Care Teacher/Director
- Infant Day Care Teacher/Director
- Parent Education Instructor
- Pediatric Psychologist
- Preschool Teacher/Administrator
- Resource and Referral Coordinator
- Social Worker

**Gainful Employment:** Federal regulations require institutions to provide students with Gainful Employment information for specific certificate programs offered at IVC. Please click on our Programs of Study link to view the information for each certificate program: <http://www.imperial.edu/courses-and-programs/programs-of-study/>

### TRANSFER PREPARATION

Courses that fulfill major requirements for an associate degree at Imperial Valley College may not be the same as those required for completing the major at a transfer institution offering a bachelor's degree. Students who plan to transfer to a four-year college or university should schedule an appointment with an IVC Counselor to develop a student education plan (SEP) before beginning their program.

#### Transfer Resources:

[www.ASSIST.org](http://www.ASSIST.org) – CSU and UC Articulation Agreements and Majors Search Engine

[www.CSUMentor.edu](http://www.CSUMentor.edu) – CSU System Information

[www.universityofcalifornia.edu/admissions/index.html](http://www.universityofcalifornia.edu/admissions/index.html) - UC System Information

[www.aiccu.edu](http://www.aiccu.edu) – California Independent Colleges and Universities, Association of

<http://wiche.edu/wue> - Western Undergraduate Exchange Programs

### FINANCIAL AID

Paying for the cost of a college education requires a partnership among parents, students and the college. As the cost of higher education continues to rise we want you to know that IVC offers a full array of financial aid programs – grants, work study, scholarships, and fee waivers (we do not participate in the federal loan programs). These programs are available to both full and part time students who are seeking a degree or certificate. For those who qualify, financial aid is available to help with tuition, fees, books and supplies, food, housing, transportation, and childcare. Please log onto our website for additional information: [www.imperial.edu/students/financial-aid-and-scholarships/](http://www.imperial.edu/students/financial-aid-and-scholarships/)

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ALL COURSES FOR THIS MAJOR MUST BE COMPLETED WITH A MINIMUM GRADE OF "C" OR BETTER.

### REQUIREMENTS FOR THE DEGREE

- I. **Units/GPA** – Must complete a maximum of 60 CSU-transferable semester units with a minimum grade point average (GPA) of at least 2.0 in all CSU-transferable coursework. *NOTE: While a minimum of 2.0 is required for admission, some institutions and majors may require a higher GPA. Please consult with a counselor for more information.*
- II. **General Education** – Must complete one of the following general education transfer patterns:
  - A. California State University General Education Breadth Pattern (CSU GE-B) – 39 units minimum
  - B. Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC) – 37 units minimum
- III. **Associate Degree Major Core – 25.0 units**

CDEV	100	Principles & Practices of Teaching Young Children	3.0
CDEV	101	Health, Safety and Nutrition	3.0
CDEV	103	Children, Family and Community	3.0
CDEV/PSY	104	Child Growth and Development	3.0
CDEV	105	Introduction to Curriculum	3.0
CDEV	106	Observation and Assessment	3.0
CDEV	107	Teaching in a Diverse Society	3.0
CDEV	200	Practicum-Field Experience	4.0

Total Major Units	25.0
CSU-GE or IGETC Pattern	37.0-39.0
Electives (as needed to reach 60 CSU transferable units)	_____
<b>Total Maximum Units:</b>	<b>60.0</b>