

Child and Family Development Pathway

School of Business and Technology

Career Opportunities

With the completion of the CDA, a graduate is eligible to work in a daycare with a Headstart program. With either second level-one certificate, a graduate could expect to gain employment as a master teacher, site supervisor, special needs teacher, Head Start Teacher or Administrator, Pregnancy care worker, and more. With the completion of the AAS, a graduate could expect to find employment as the director of a childcare facility.

Advanced Degree and Certificate Opportunities

This pathway contains three certificates and one associate degree. Students are not required to do this sequence, this is only a recommended sequence for those wanting all four credentials. Students completing the AAS in Child and Family Development may transfer these credits into the Stephen F. Austin State University Bachelor in Human Development and Family Studies. Transfer students should speak with an AC success coach and an advisor at SFA prior to program completion.

Marketable Skills

Classroom management, interpersonal skills, written and verbal communication, organization, flexibility, instructional skills, assessment skills, leading, collaboration, time management, organization, and creativity

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Stacking Credentials with Articulation Agreement

Three level-one certificates leading to an Associate of Applied Science with SFAU articulation agreement

Recommended Course Sequence							
FULL-TIME STUDENTS				PART-TIME STUDENTS			
Term 1	<input type="checkbox"/>	CDEC 1417	4	Term 1	<input type="checkbox"/>	CDEC 1417	4
	<input type="checkbox"/>	CDEC 2422	4		<input type="checkbox"/>	CDEC 2422	4
	<input type="checkbox"/>	CDEC 2424	4		<input type="checkbox"/>	STSU 0300	0
	<input type="checkbox"/>	CDEC 1413	4	Term 2	<input type="checkbox"/>	CDEC 2424	4
					<input type="checkbox"/>	CDEC 1413	4
					<input type="checkbox"/>	TECA 1311	3
Apply for Level 1 Child and Family Development (CDA) Certificate in the My AC Portal							
Term 2	<input type="checkbox"/>	CDEC 1419	4	Term 3	<input type="checkbox"/>	CDEC 1419	4
	<input type="checkbox"/>	CDEC 1421	4		<input type="checkbox"/>	CDEC 1421	4
	<input type="checkbox"/>	TECA 1354	3		<input type="checkbox"/>	TECA 1354	3
	<input type="checkbox"/>	TECA 1311	3	Term 4	<input type="checkbox"/>	CDEC 1359	3
	<input type="checkbox"/>	STSU 0300	0		<input type="checkbox"/>	CDEC 1458	4
Term 3	<input type="checkbox"/>	CDEC 1359	3		<input type="checkbox"/>	TECA 1318	3
	<input type="checkbox"/>	CDEC 1458	4	Term 5	<input type="checkbox"/>	TECA 1303	3
	<input type="checkbox"/>	TECA 1318	3		<input type="checkbox"/>	HRPO 2301	3
	<input type="checkbox"/>	TECA 1303	3		<input type="checkbox"/>	CDEC 2426	4
	<input type="checkbox"/>	HRPO 2301	3				
Apply for Level 1 Child and Family Development Certificate (CHIA) in the My AC Portal							
Term 4	<input type="checkbox"/>	CDEC 2426	4	Term 6	<input type="checkbox"/>	SPCH 1318	3
	<input type="checkbox"/>	SPCH 1318	3		<input type="checkbox"/>	ENGL 1301	3
	<input type="checkbox"/>	ENGL 1301	3		<input type="checkbox"/>	PSYC 2301	3
	<input type="checkbox"/>	PSYC 2301	3	Term 7	<input type="checkbox"/>	ARTS 1301	3
	<input type="checkbox"/>	ARTS 1301	3		<input type="checkbox"/>	GOVT 2306	3
Apply for Level 1 Child and Family Development - Administrative Certificate (CHIB) in the My AC Portal							
Term 5	<input type="checkbox"/>	GOVT 2306	3	Term 8		BIOL 1408	4
	<input type="checkbox"/>	BIOL 1408	4			GOVT 2305	3
	<input type="checkbox"/>	GOVT 2305	3			ENGL 1302	3
	<input type="checkbox"/>	ENGL 1302	3				
TOTAL HOURS			75	TOTAL HOURS			75
Apply for Child Development AAS Degree (CH1) in the My AC Portal							

Note: Students are not required to complete all four credentials, any one credential may be obtained independently. Only 60 hours are required for the AAS degree.

Pathways are tools to help students stay on track and complete a program of study. Please refer to the catalog and speak with a Success Coach or advisor regarding major and core electives as well as course pre-requisites and TSI requirements.

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