



Austin Community College District  
AAS Child Development  
Texas Woman's University BS, Child Development  
and MS, Child Development  
**2 + 2 + 1 Transfer Guided Pathway**  
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**First Year - Austin Community College District**

FIRST SEMESTER		SECOND SEMESTER	
EDUC 1300 Learning Framework (091)	Credits: 3	CDEC 1321 The Infant and Toddler	Credits: 3
CDEC/TECA 1303 Families, School and Community	Credits: 3	CDEC 1413 Curriculum Resources for Early Childhood Programs	Credits: 4
CDEC/TECA 1354 Child Growth and Development	Credits: 3	CDEC 1419 Child Guidance	Credits: 4
CDEC/TECA 1311 Educating Young Children	Credits: 3	CDEC 1166 Practicum - Child Care Provider/Assistant I	Credit: 1
CDEC/TECA 1318 Wellness of the Young Child	Credits: 3	CDEC 1392 Special Topics in Child Development	Credits: 3
Total Semester Hours: 15		Total Semester Hours: 15	

**Second Year - Austin Community College District**

FIRST SEMESTER		SECOND SEMESTER	
CDEC 1359 Children With Special Needs	Credits: 3	CDEC 2307 Math and Science for Early Childhood	Credits: 3
CDEC 1356 Emergent Literacy for Early Childhood	Credits: 3	CDEC 2341 The School-Age Child OR CDEC 2326 Administration of Programs for Children I OR CDEC 1341 CDA Preparation for Assessment	Credits: 3
CDEC 1358 Creative Arts for Early Childhood	Credits: 3	CDEC 2166 Practicum - Child Care Provider/Assistant II	Credit: 1
ENGL 1301 Comp I OR ENGL 2311 Technical & Business Writing (010)	Credits: 3	CDEC 1293 Special Topics in Early Childhood Education and Teaching	Credits: 2
Life and Physical Sciences (030)	Credits: 3-4	PSYC 2301 Introduction to Psychology (080)	Credits: 3
		Language, Philosophy, and Culture (040)	Credits: 3
Total Semester Hours: 15-16		Total Semester Hours: 15	

**Summer – Texas Woman's University**

FIRST SEMESTER		SECOND SEMESTER	
HIST Core Course I (060)	Credits: 3	HIST Core Course II (060)	Credits: 3
Total Semester Hours: 6			

**Third Year – Texas Woman's University**

FIRST SEMESTER		SECOND SEMESTER	
MATH Core Course (020)	Credits: 3	HDFS 3513 Childhood and Adolescence	Credits: 3
*Creative Arts Course (050)	Credits: 3	POLS 2023 TX GOVT (070)	Credits: 3
*Science Core Course (010)	Credits: 3	HDFS 3523 Care & Education of Children	Credits: 3
POLS 2013 US GOVT (070)	Credits: 3	Upper-Level Choice	Credits: 3
HDFS 3423 Play and Development in Early Childhood	Credits: 3	Upper-Level Choice	Credits: 3
Total Semester Hours: 15		Total Semester Hours: 15	

**Fourth Year – Texas Woman's University**

FIRST SEMESTER		SECOND SEMESTER	
HDFS 4923 Prof. Development in Family Science <sup>1</sup>	Credits: 3	Women's Study Core (090)	Credits: 3
Upper-Level Choice	Credits: 3	HDFS 3533 Research Methods in Family Sciences	Credits: 3
Upper-Level Choice	Credits: 3	HDFS 4943 Practicum in Family Sciences <sup>2</sup>	Credits: 3
Upper-Level Choice	Credits: 3	Upper-Level Choice	Credits: 3
English Core Course (030)	Credits: 3		
Total Semester Hours: 15		Total Semester Hours: 12	



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#### PROGRAM NOTES:

- ^Take alternate choice after transfer to TWU. ^^Consult with TWU academic advisor on recommended course.
- <sup>1</sup>Must be taken in second-to-last semester at TWU. <sup>2</sup>Must be taken in last semester at TWU.
- \* Students may take an optional course to meet this core requirement. Contact an academic advisor at your institution.
- (###) This course counts for the Texas Common Core Curriculum Code for Texas public colleges and universities in accordance to the [Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board](#)
- **This is not an official degree plan.** Consult with an academic advisor or transfer center for academic planning; degree plans and pathways are subject to change in later catalogs. **NOTE: Developmental and/or pre-requisite coursework may be required.**

#### Select 6 upper level courses from the following list:

HDFS 3323 Separations & Loss	Credits: 3	HDFS 3613 Crisis in the American Family	Credits: 3
HDFS 4103 Issues & Trends in Family Sciences	Credits: 3	HDFS 4533 Communication & The Family	Credits: 3
HDFS 4543 Developmental Sexuality	Credits: 3	HDFS 4583 Parenting Issues & Education	Credits: 3
HDFS 4803 Public Policy: Family Sciences Perspectives	Credits: 3	SOWK 3453 Children's Rights & Services	Credits: 3
SOWK 3513 Culturally Competent Practice	Credits: 3	SOCI 3113 Juvenile Delinquency	Credits: 3

## Master of Science in Child Development

Earn your MS in Child Development in 12-18 months for less than \$15,000<sup>2</sup>. Designed for working professionals, this program is offered up to 100% online. Enjoy a quicker pace with seven-week courses. The master's degree in child development prepares students for advanced careers working with children and families in various educational and community settings. The program is offered up to 100% online and in an accelerated format.

<sup>2</sup>Cost based on full-time, in-state tuition (Fall 2023 rates).

### Program Information

The master's degree in child development covers child growth and development from infancy through adolescence, including cognitive, social, emotional, and physical development. Students explore major theories and empirical research on child development and how it applies to work with children and families.

### Professional Option (31 semester credit hours)

\*Program available in an accelerated format (7-week semesters)

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SEMESTER 1	SEMESTER 2
HDFS 5113 Theories of Child Development	HDFS 5593 Play, Development, and the Young Learner
HDFS 5223 Child Growth and Development in Early Childhood	HDFS 5693 Research Methods in Family Sciences
HDFS 5643 The Development of Infants and Toddlers	Professional Development course from the list below
SEMESTER 3	
HDFS 5613 Child Guidance HDFS 5243 Adolescent Development Within the Family	
SEMESTER 4	
HDFS 5193 Statistics for Family Sciences Professional Development course from the list below HDFS 5931 Professional Portfolio *must be taken in the last semester	



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Professional Development Courses:

HDFS 5013 Grief, Loss, and Bereavement  
ECE 5263 Observation and Assessment in Early Childhood  
ECE 5413 Leadership, Advocacy, and Public Policy for Young Children  
ECE 5433 Brain-Based Learning for the Young Child  
ECE 5773 School, Family, and Cultural Diversity: Community Connections  
HDFS 5573 Family Crises  
HDFS 5933 Practicum in Family Sciences

**The thesis option is also available for students interested in conducting research. Please contact TWU's School of Human Sciences graduate advisor for more information. Phone: 940.898.2685 | [humansciences@twu.edu](mailto:humansciences@twu.edu)**