

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

The Long Beach City College Child Development and Educational Studies Department prepares students to work with children in a wide variety of settings including child care centers, family child care homes, before- and after-school programs, and programs for children with special needs. Students can begin a career as a teacher's assistant after completing as few as 6 units at LBCC. Students graduate with a strong foundation allowing them to pursue careers in Early Childhood Education. The industry is projected to generate the sixth highest number of jobs in Los Angeles County.

- **ELEMENTARY SCHOOL TEACHER**
- **FAMILY CHILDCARE PROVIDER**
- **INFANT AND TODDLER CAREGIVER**
- **PRESCHOOL DIRECTOR**
- **PRESCHOOL TEACHER**
- **SPECIAL EDUCATION TEACHER**

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CHILD DEVELOPMENT & EDUCATIONAL STUDIES



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ABOUT CHILD DEVELOPMENT AND EDUCATIONAL STUDIES

The Long Beach City College Child Development and Educational Studies Department (CDES) offers courses that focus on the growth and development of children from birth through adolescence, as well as the care and education of young children from birth to age 8 in group settings.

Students will be prepared to work with children in a variety of settings, including child care centers, family child care homes, and inclusive settings for children with special needs.

All faculty are experts in the field and have many years of experience working directly with young children and families. Faculty are also leaders in local, state, and national Child Development and Early Childhood communities.

LBCC's Child Development and Educational Studies Department offers Associate degrees and vocational certificates that prepare students to transfer to a four-year college or university, to begin entry-level work, or to pursue professional advancement.



Associate in Science for Transfer

The CDES Department offers two-year degrees, including the Associate of Science degree for Transfer (AS-T). The AS-T extends a number of benefits for students planning to transfer to the California State University (CSU) system, including:

- Guaranteed admission into a California State University (CSU) school
- The requirement of completing no more than 60 units after transfer to earn a bachelor's degree



Certificates and Degrees:

- Associate of Science degree for Transfer, Early Childhood Education
- Associate of Arts, Early Childhood Education
- Associate of Arts, Special Education Assistant
- Certificate of Achievement, Early Childhood Education
- Certificate of Achievement, Special Education Assistant
- Certificate of Accomplishment, Assistant Teacher
- Certificate of Accomplishment, Associate Teacher
- Certificate of Accomplishment, Family Development
- Certificate of Accomplishment, Child Development Permit Specialization Areas



BEYOND THE CLASSROOM

Students benefit from the two Child Development Centers (CDCs) and Learning Labs located at LBCC's Liberal Arts and Pacific Coast campuses. At the CDCs, students can observe children, families, and teaching staff, and learn best practices in the field while completing course assignments, and improving or preparing for their own practice.

The LBCC Child Development Club is a student organization that supports Child Development and Early Childhood Education students through the sharing of information about the field, including professional opportunities, educational seminars, networking opportunities, community outreach, and other activities to raise awareness.