

CHILD DEVELOPMENT: SPECIAL EDUCATION ASSISTANT - ASSOCIATE IN ARTS

Plan Code: 1310

Students prepare to work as a classroom assistant with children who have special needs. An A.A. Degree increases employment opportunities, salary potential and prepares students for transfer. Employment opportunities include: Teacher Assistant in School Districts, Residential Care Centers, Department of Rehabilitation, or Private Agencies.

Program Student Learning Outcomes

- Demonstrate the ability to attain the Institutional Student Learning Outcomes (ISLOs).
- Design, implement, and evaluate environments and activities that support optimum developmental play and learning outcomes in an inclusive environment for all children.
- Demonstrate responsive care and teaching practices for all children through the integration of assessment, theory, and practice.
- Apply effective guidance and interaction strategies to support all children’s social learning, peer relations, and self-confidence.
- Incorporate ethical and professional standards engaging in collaborative learning and reflective practices.

Program Requirements

This degree requires the completion of General Education coursework plus the following:

Code Number	Course Title	Units
REQUIRED COURSES		
ASL 1	American Sign Language 1	4
CDECE 47	Human Development	3
CDECE 59	Guiding Young Children DS3	3
CDSER 5	Community Resources/Special Education	3
CDSER 67	Intro to Children with Special Needs	3
CDSER 69	Special Education Practicum	3
CDSER 70	Curriculum for Special Needs	3
Subtotal Units		22
IN ADDITION, complete SIX (6) units from the following:		
ASL 2	American Sign Language 2 (4)	
ASL 3	American Sign Language 3 (4)	
ASL 4	American Sign Language 4 (4)	
CDECE 19	Health, Safety and Nutrition DS7 (3)	
CDECE 61	Teaching in a Diverse Society D3 (3)	
Subtotal Units		6
Required Subtotal		28
Complete one of the following: ¹		19-39

LBCC General Education (Plan A) (<https://lbcc-public.courseleaf.com/academic-requirements/general-education-transfer-degree-certificate-requirements/general-education-plans/plan-a/>)

CSU GE Breadth (Plan B) (<https://lbcc-public.courseleaf.com/academic-requirements/general-education-transfer-degree-certificate-requirements/general-education-plans/plan-b/>)

IGETC Pattern (Plan C) (<https://lbcc-public.courseleaf.com/academic-requirements/general-education-transfer-degree-certificate-requirements/general-education-plans/plan-c/>)

Electives (as needed to reach 60 degree-applicable units) ²

Minimum Degree Total 60

RECOMMENDED: A valid Red Cross First Aid and CPR Certificate.

¹ Units for the major may be double-counted for LBCC GE, CSU GE, or IGETC; see counselor for limitations.

² Elective units from course(s) numbered 1-599, if needed, to reach 60 degree-applicable units.

CHILD DEVELOPMENT: SPECIAL EDUCATION ASSISTANT - CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT

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Program Student Learning Outcomes

- Explain various exceptionalities and conditions of children and identify interventions based on the developmental continuum.
- Identify ways to collaborate with families and community members in supporting inclusion of children with special needs.
- Design, implement, and evaluate curriculum activities that are based on research, observation, and assessment of children with special needs.

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