Child Care and Development
Associate of Applied Science

Texas Southmost College
Division of Humanities

The Child Development Early Childhood (CDEC) program is designed to provide instruction and field experience necessary for successful care and guidance of young children from birth to five years of age. Emphasis is on the importance and need for early childhood education and quality care of our children. Students completing the CDEC program are prepared to work with children in child care centers, preschools, family care homes, Head Start and early intervention programs.

FIRST YEAR - FALL SEMESTER   **CREDIT HOURS**
CDEC 1354[+] Child Growth and Development 3
CDEC 1318[+] Wellness of the Young Child...3
CDEC 1319[+] Child Guidance 3
CDEC 2326[+] Administration of Programs for Children I..3
ENGL 1301[+] Composition I 3

FIRST YEAR - SPRING SEMESTER
CDEC 1313[+] Curriculum Resources for Early Childhood Programs 3
CDEC 1321[+] The Infant and Toddler 3
CDEC 2380[+] Cooperative Education-Child Care Provider/Assistant...3
CDEC 2328[+] Administration of Programs for Children II 3

SUMMER I SEMESTER
XXXX X3XX[1] Language, Philosophy & Culture/Creative Arts Elective..3
SPCH 1315 Public Speaking OR
SPCH 1318 Interpersonal Communication...3

SUMMER II SEMESTER
PSYC 2301 General Psychology 3
MATH 1314[+] College Algebra OR
MATH 1332[+] Contemporary Mathematics 3

SECOND YEAR - FALL SEMESTER
CDEC 1359[+] Children with Special Needs 3
CDEC 1356[+] Emergent Literacy for Early Childhood 3
CDEC 2307[+] Math and Science for Early Childhood..3
CDEC 2336[+] Administration of Programs for Children III 3

SECOND YEAR - SPRING SEMESTER
CDEC 2341[+] The School Age Child 3
CDEC 2315[+] Diverse Cultural/Multilingual Education...3
CDEC 2387[+] Internship - Child Care Provider/Assistant 3

TOTAL CREDIT HOURS FOR GRADUATION - 60

[+] Grade of "C" or better is required for graduation.
[1] Language, Philosophy & Culture/Creative Arts Electives: Any General Education Core course that meets these categories.

A minimum grade of "C" must be obtained in each (CDEC) course required in the degree plan.