

Transferring Courses to Child Development

In order to accommodate the transfer student or students taking courses outside of our department, the Department of Child Development at California State University, Chico allows for the articulation of coursework from outside colleges, universities, and programs in several ways. There is the provision for both course-to-course articulation as well as program-to-program articulation such as the AA-T in Early Childhood Education. The statewide CSU requirement for 40 units of upper division coursework and 9 units of Upper Division General Education has been taken into consideration. Transfer students should follow this plan to make the most of both their lower division and upper division coursework.

The Child Development major consists of 55 units; four semesters should be allowed to keep complete this coursework due to course sequencing.

Plan One: Program-to-Program Articulation of CAP 8 coursework

Students who have completed all eight courses identified by the CAP 8 program may credit this coursework for lower division credit for the following lower division coursework:

- CHLD 252 3 units
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 - CHLD 282 3 units
 - Family Course (lower division credit) 3 units
 - Society and Culture Course (lower division credit) 3 units
 - 3 Depth Core Courses (lower division credit) 9 units
- 24 units

Remaining Upper Division coursework is as follows:

- CHLD 353 3 units
 - CHLD 382 3 units
 - CHLD 392 4 units
 - BIOL 318/BIOL 303/CHLD 321 3 units
 - CHLD 440 3 units
 - CHLD 492 3 units
 - CHLD 495 3 units
 - Family Course (must be upper division) 3 units
 - 2 Child Courses (must be upper division) 6 units
- 31 units

Considerations for the Bachelor's Degree in Child Development at California State University, Chico

- All major requirements are the same for native and transfer students.
- A maximum of 70 units can be transferred to CSU Chico.
- There is a 120 unit requirement for the Bachelor's Degree. The CAP 8 plan allows for this requirement to be met.
- Required upper division Child Development coursework plus the required 9 units of upper division GE Pathway coursework meets the University's 40 unit upper division coursework requirement.
- After articulating all 24 units of the approved CAP 8 coursework at a community college, 31 units remain in the Child Development major.
- These units could be used for
 - Upper Division Pathway General Education (GE) requirement (9 units)
 - American Institution requirements (if not articulated, 6 units)
 - Elective courses
 - These courses could possible used to complete a minor. Most minors consist of 21 units. Minors which are frequently pursued by Child Development majors include Special Education, Psychology, and Family Relations.
 - Electives could also be used to broaden or deepen the coursework within Child Development.

Plan Two: Course-to-Course Articulation utilizing www.assist.org

- Articulation of individual coursework from community colleges across California to individual coursework at CSU Chico is addressed at the college level and displayed via www.assist.org
- Students may consult this resource and choose coursework accordingly.

Plan Three: Course-to-Course Articulation through Advisor Approval

- Students may request a course which appears on their transcripts from another college to be considered for articulation for a CSU Chico course. The following steps should be taken
 - Review the CSU Chico course description
 - Review the course description provided by the College where the course was taken
 - If the course descriptions are very similar in description and unit value, the student should make an appointment with a Child Development advisor, bringing course materials to the advising appointment.

Child Development accepts 9 units of University-approved Study Abroad or Camp Adventure coursework toward fulfilling the Depth Core requirement. No pre-approval of specific courses is required. The transfer is completed after outside coursework is posted on Chico State transcripts. Students must complete an advising appointment to complete this transfer.

For more information about Child Development major at CSU Chico
www.csuchico.edu/chld

For more information about the CSU Chico Child Development coursework, including course names and numbers
<http://catalog.csuchico.edu/viewer/CHLD/CHLDNONEBA.html>

For more information about the four year Major Advising Plan (MAP) for Child Development
<http://catalog.csuchico.edu/viewer/12/maps/listing.html>

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