

DEGREES & CERTIFICATES

ASSOCIATE TEACHER CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT (CA)

About the Program

This work-based certificate prepares students with foundational knowledge of child development, teaching strategies, relationships with families, and skills with creating a developmentally appropriate curriculum for children birth-age 8.

Program Goals and Objectives

The Associate Teacher Certificate of Achievement is designed to make students eligible to apply for their Associate Teacher permit through the CA Commission on Teacher Credentialing.

Career Opportunities

Students who earn this certificate can become assistant teachers in preschool/child care programs.

Program Outcomes

- Upon completion of the Certificate of Achievement in Associate Teacher, students are able to assess children's development through observation, documentation, reflection and interpretation to guide curriculum and intentional teaching.
- Upon completion of the Certificate of Achievement in Associate Teacher, students are able to compare and contrast diverse cultural values, child rearing practices, attitudes towards play and education by developing respectful reciprocal relationships in order to work effectively with children, families, coworkers and community.
- Upon completion of the Certificate of Achievement in Associate Teacher, students are able to intentionally design inclusive, culturally and linguistically appropriate curriculum to promote positive development for all young children, based on child development, observation and reflection.
- Upon completion of the Certificate of Achievement in Associate Teacher, students are able to synthesize child development research and theories; apply principles with consideration for children's varying characteristics, needs and the multiple interacting influences on children's development.

Learning and Career Pathway Maps

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Required Core: (13 units)

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