

DEGREES & CERTIFICATES

EARLY CHILDHOOD INTERVENTION ASSISTANT CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT (CA)

About the Program

The Certificate of Achievement in Early Childhood Intervention Assistant/Para-Educator is designed to prepare students to be para-educators in early childhood special education classrooms. This certificate also prepares early childhood teachers who will be working in inclusive classrooms.

Program Goals and Objectives

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Career Opportunities

Teacher's assistant in a special education classroom, Para-educator in a special education classroom (K-3 grade), and Teacher's assistant in inclusive preschool classroom

Program Outcomes

- Upon completion of the Certificate of Achievement in Early Childhood Intervention Assistant, 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 Early Childhood Intervention Assistant, 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, co-workers and community.
- Upon completion of the Certificate of Achievement in Early Childhood Intervention Assistant, students are able to demonstrate practices that maintain standards of health, nutrition, and safety in early childhood settings.
- Upon completion of the Certificate of Achievement in Early Childhood Intervention Assistant, 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 Early Childhood Intervention Assistant, 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.
- Upon completion of the Certificate of Achievement in Early Childhood Intervention Assistant, students are able to utilize observation and evaluation processes/tools to apply and implement developmentally appropriate practices in an early care and education setting using knowledge, skills and professional dispositions that promote the development and learning of all young children.

REQUIRED CORE: (32 units)

ECE 40 Social and Emotional Foundations for Early Learning.....	3
ECE 50 Early Childhood Principles and Practices.....	3
ECE 54 Child Health, Safety and Nutrition.....	3
ECE 56 Child Growth and Development.....	3
ECE 60 Introduction to the Young Child With Exceptional Needs.....	3
ECE 62 Child, Family and Community.....	3
ECE 63 Early Childhood Curriculum.....	4
ECE 67 Infant and Toddler Development and Caregiving.....	3
ECE 90 Practicum-Supervised Experience.....	4
ECE 91 Adaptive Curriculum For Children With Exceptional Needs.....	3