

This program roadmap represents one possible pathway to complete the program. **Please see a counselor** to create an education plan that is customized to meet your needs. This roadmap is not a guarantee of course availability or financial aid applicability. For counseling appointments call 916.608.6510.

## FIRST YEAR

### Semester 1:

**9 units**

CAT.	COURSE	TITLE	GE AREA
Req	ECE 300	Introduction to Principle Practices in Early Childhood Education	3
Req	ECE 312 or PSYC 372	Child Development or Child Development	3
Req	ECE 314	Child, Family & Community	3

### Semester 2:

**4 units**

Req	ECE 320	Curriculum and Interactions in Early Childhood Education	4
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### Notes:

- This certificate provides the educational coursework that serves as the core curriculum for the early childhood education field. Topics include an introduction to the profession, observation techniques, age-appropriate curriculum, and the child in the context of the family and community. Additionally, there is a focus on practicing these concepts in a supervised field/lab environment. With documented work experience, the student is also eligible to apply to the Commission on Teacher Credentialing for the Associate Teacher Child Development Permit.
- This certificate allows the student to work as a teacher in a private early care and education (Title 22) program, serving infants/toddlers, preschool-age children, and school-age children in before-and-after school programs. With the Associate Teacher Child Development Permit, an individual can work as an assistant or associate teacher in a publicly funded (Title 5) early care and education program.

### EXPLANATION OF CATEGORIES

Req	Required Core	A course that is required for this degree
GE	General Education	A course that fulfills a specific general education requirement for this degree, which can be replaced with another course that meets the same requirement
Elec	Elective	A degree-applicable course that is part of a degree roadmap to ensure that there is a total of at least 60 units, which is a requirement for an associate degree