BA in Child & Family Studies - *Option in Child Development*
Major Requirements Worksheet
2026-2027 Catalog

Name: _____ Student ID: _____

All CDFS courses are blocked to declared majors only (not pre-majors) unless otherwise specified in the prerequisites column

Grade	Course Number & Title (units)	Prerequisites†
Complete ALL of the following support courses:		
	ANTH 120: Introduction to Cultural Anthropology (3) **GE Area: 4C**	*none*
	PSY 100: General Psychology (3) **GE Area: 4C**	*GE composition ready*
	CAFF 321: Family & Consumer Resource Management (3) **GE Area: 4UD**	*GE foundations*
Complete ALL of the following major courses:		
	CDFS 111: Child Growth & Development (3)	*open to Pre-CDFS majors*
	CDFS 211: Principles & Practices of Teaching Young Children (3)	*a 'C' or better in CDFS 111 or PSY 100 or SOC 100; open to Pre-CDFS:CD majors*
	CDFS 310: Diversity in Child Development (3) **GE Area: 4UD**	*GE foundations; upper division standing; open to Pre-CDFS majors*
	CDFS 311: Prenatal Development, Infancy, & Toddlerhood (3)	*a 'C' or better in CDFS 111*
	CDFS 312: Family & Personal Development (3) **GE Area: 4UD**	*GE foundations; ANTH 120 or PSY 100 or SOC 100; open to Pre-CDFS majors*
	CDFS 314: The Older Child (3)	*a 'C' or better in CDFS 111*
	CDFS 315: Observation & Assessment with Young Children (3)	*CDFS 111, CDFS 211, and CDFS 214 or 215; open to Pre-CDFS:CD majors*
	CDFS 409: Language, Learning, & the Developing Child: A Cross-Cultural Perspective (3)	*none*
	CDFS 411: Child Development Applications: Connecting Research, Policy, & Practice (3)	*a 'C' or better in CDFS 311 or 314 or HDEV 307 or PSY 361; upper division standing*
	CDFS 413: Child & Family in the Community (3)	*a 'C' or better in CDFS 312; upper division standing*
	CDFS 418: Parent Education (3)	*a 'C' or better in CDFS 111; upper division standing*
_____ _____	**ONE (1) pair** of the following Environments & Fieldwork courses: □ CDFS 214: Intro to Curriculum for Preschool Children (3) **AND** □ CDFS 414: Preschool Practicum (3) *off-site hours required* **OR** □ CDFS 215: Intro to Curriculum for Infants & Toddlers (3) **AND** □ CDFS 415: Toddler Practicum (3) *off-site hours required*	***CDFS 214:*** *a 'C' or better in CDFS 111; open to Pre-CDFS:CD majors* ***CDFS 414:*** *a 'C' or better in CDFS 111, 211, 214* ***CDFS 215:*** *a 'C' or better in CDFS 111; open to Pre-CDFS:CD majors* ***CDFS 415:*** *a 'C' or better in CDFS 111, 211, 215*
	ONE (1) of the following courses **(SYE = Senior Year Experience)**: □ CDFS 405: A Practical Approach to Social Science Research (3) **GE Area: 2UD/5UD** □ CDFS 406: Adult Supervision & Mentoring in the Early Childhood Classroom (3) □ CDFS 492A: Internship in Child Development & Family Studies (3)	***CDFS 405:*** *upper division standing; open to Pre-CDFS majors* ***CDFS 406:*** *CDFS 414 or 415 or 416* ***CDFS 492A:*** *senior standing; 2.5 overall GPA or a 3.0 major GPA; a 'C' or better in CDFS 411, 413, and in 414 or 415; may not be taken concurrently with CDFS 492B;* ***see CDFS Area Coordinator for permit (application required)***
Complete 9 units from the following CDFS Electives:		
_____ _____ _____	□ CDFS 319: Family Stress & Coping (3) **GE Area: 4UD; GWAR Writing Intensive** □ CDFS 402: Child & Family Law (3) □ CDFS 407: The Hospitalized Child (3) □ CDFS 408: Transition to Parenthood & Family Dynamics (3) □ CDFS 410: International Families: Families in Cross-Cultural Perspectives (3) □ CDFS 412: Family Interaction (3) □ CDFS 416: Administration of Child Development Programs (3) □ CDFS 419: Serving Individuals & Families in the Community (3) □ Any other CDFS course not used for the major: CDFS _____ (3)	***319:*** *GE foundations; ANTH 120 or PSY 100 or SOC 100; upper division standing; open to Pre-CDFS majors* ***402:*** *a 'C' or better in CDFS 312; upper division standing* ***407:*** *none* ***408:*** *open to Pre-CDFS majors* ***410:*** *a 'C' or better in CDFS 312* ***412:*** *a 'C' or better in CDFS 312; upper division standing* ***416:*** *none;* ***typically fall only*** ***419:*** *CDFS 312* ***Other CDFS:*** *see catalog*

†*Prerequisites are subject to change; consult the University Catalog (www.csulb.edu/catalog) for the most recent updates*
✓*A 'C' or better is required in all courses*
✓*GE credit is granted based on the term you take the course and is subject to changes*
- See the current GE course list at www.csulb.edu/student-records/general-education-requirements
✓***Total units required for CD option: 60***