



Child Development



About the College

The College of Science provides the region and state with outstanding medical, technical and scientific professionals in fields such as nursing, computer science, psychology and child development, as well as biology, chemistry, physics and mathematics. Headquartered in the state-of-the-art Naraghi Hall of Science, the college provides graduates with the analytical and technical skills that are critical to their success as future scientists, practitioners and teachers.

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Child Development is a diversified, multidisciplinary field. The main focus is on the changes in physical-motor, cognitive, language and social-emotional development of the child from birth to adolescence. Child development encompasses both the study of the scientific principles of development and the application of these principles to child education and welfare.



What can you do with a degree in Child Development? Career paths and fields of work include infant/toddler and preschool teachers and administrators, curriculum specialists, and foster care and adoption caseworkers.

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Degrees and Programs

- Bachelor of Arts in Child Development
- Bachelor of Arts in Child Development –Fast Track for students with AA or AS in Child Development
- Minor in Child Development
- Master of Arts in Interdisciplinary Studies with a Concentration in Child Development
- Child Development Graduate Certificate
- Concentrations: Those majoring in Liberal Studies can complete their concentration in Child Development.

Our faculty

Rosanne Roy, (Program Coordinator), Ph.D., McGill University ('00)
 Rita A. Asher, Ph.D., Texas Tech. ('84)
 Gina Cook, Ph.D., Utah State University ('10)
 Victoria L. Cortez Ph.D., UC Santa Barbara ('92)
 Grace Paradis, University of Montana ('11)

Interesting classes you might take

Early Social and Emotional Development
 Early Cognitive Development
 Child Guidance and Management
 Early Childhood Development
 Infant Development and Group Care
 Developmental Assessment
 Early Intervention with High-Risk Children
 Developmental Programs for Preschool Children
 Development of Social Cognition

Course Spotlight

CDEV 4200

Multi-Contextual Aspects of Parenting and Families (WP)

Course provides an overview of the theory and research examining how parenting and families, across contexts and cultures, influence development.

Go online to www.csustan.edu/Catalog/ for more course descriptions.

What you can learn

- Child development theories, developmental knowledge, contemporary issues, and the relationship between theory and research
- Information competency, locating and critically evaluating research, understanding research process including ethical issues related to doing research with children, understanding developmental research methods, and applying developmental research findings
- Legal, ethical and pragmatics issues related to work with children and families
- Child guidance skills and understanding of developmentally appropriate practices

What you can earn

- **Preschool Teacher \$34,000**
- **Child Care Center Director \$39,000**
- **Child Welfare Specialist \$74,000**

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