

GUIDED PATHWAY: CHILD DEVELOPMENT/ EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION – ADMINISTRATIVE CERTIFICATE

EDUCATION CAREER PATH



For more information, visit the [Dallas College Child Development webpage](http://www.dcccd.edu/childdev) [www.dcccd.edu/childdev] and your academic advisor at the Brookhaven or Eastfield campus.

This is an example course sequence for students interested in pursuing the Child Development/Early Childhood Education Certificate. It does not represent a contract, nor does it guarantee course availability. Following this pathway will help you earn an Administrative Certificate. Students must earn at least 25% of the credit hours required for graduation through instruction by Dallas College. See catalog for [official certificate requirements](#).

This certificate meets the minimum requirements for the State of Texas Child Care Licensing Regulations for administrators. **Prerequisite to enter certificate: One year of work in a licensed childcare center.** Courses that complete the Administrative Certificate are noted below.

Students pursuing this certificate are waived from the [Texas Success Initiative \(TSI\)](#) standards, but must meet course prerequisites.

Catalog Year	2021-2022	You may use this pathway if you entered Dallas College on or before this date.
Degree Type	Level I Certificate	
GPA Requirement	Student must earn a GPA of 2.0 or higher	
TSI	May be Exempt	

SEMESTER-BY-SEMESTER MAP FOR FULL-TIME STUDENTS

All plans can be modified to fit the needs of part-time students. This is not an official degree plan. See catalog for [official certificate requirements](#).

CERTIFICATE MINIMUM: 24 SEMESTER CREDIT HOURS

SEMESTER 1 Total Hours: 9

- [CDEC 1354](#) – Child Growth and Development
- [CDEC 1319](#) – Child Guidance
- [CDEC 2326](#) – Administration of Programs for Children I

SEMESTER 1 ACTION ITEMS

1. Meet with your advisor to confirm academic and career goals before the end of the semester.
2. Meet with a career advisor or coach to research your career options and opportunities for job shadowing.

SEMESTER 2 Total Hours: 10

- [CDEC 1413](#) – Curriculum Resources for Early Childhood Programs
- [CDEC 1318](#) – Wellness of the Young Child
- [CDEC 2328](#) – Administration of Programs for Children II

SEMESTER 2 ACTION ITEMS

1. Meet with your advisor to request an official program of study audit and confirm or update your academic and career path and program of study.
2. Meet with a faculty or career advisor regarding placement for the Internship course.

SEMESTER 3 Total Hours: 5

- [CDEC 2336](#) – Administration of Programs for Children III

CDEC 2289 – Internship – Child Care Provider/Assistant *This course must be taken at the college where you plan to earn the Certificate.*

SEMESTER 3 ACTION ITEMS

1. Meet with your advisor to apply for the Child Development/Early Childhood Education Administrative Certificate Completion.
2. Meet with a faculty or career advisor for assistance in preparing for job search.

PATHWAY TOTAL: 24 SEMESTER CREDIT HOURS