

BACHELOR OF ARTS IN CHILD AND ADOLESCENT DEVELOPMENT: CONCENTRATION IN EARLY CARE AND EDUCATION ROADMAP

120 Total Units Required

Minimum Number of Units in the Major: 45

This roadmap is a suggested plan of study and does not replace meeting with an advisor. Please note that students may need to adjust the actual sequence of courses based on course availability. Please consult an advisor in your major program for further guidance.

Course	Title	Units
First Semester		
ENG 114	Writing the First Year: Finding Your Voice (A2) ¹	3
GE Area A ²		3
GE Area B: Quantitative Reasoning (B4) ³		3
GE Area C		3
SF State Studies or University Elective ⁴		3
Units		15
Second Semester		
CAD 210	Introduction to Applied Child and Adolescent Development (Major Core, D1)	3
CAD 260	Children, Families, and Community: An Ecological Perspective (Major Core, D1, AERM, GP)	3
GE Area A		3
GE Area D: U.S. History (D2)		3
GE Area E		3
Units		15
Third Semester		
Early Childhood Foundations and Programs - Select One (Major Concentration):		3
CAD 215	Foundations in Early Childhood	
CAD 230	Principles and Practices in Early Childhood Programs	
GE Area B: Physical Science (B1) and Laboratory Science (B3) ⁵		3-4
GE Area C		3
SF State Studies or University Elective - Take Two ⁴		6
Units		15-16

Fourth Semester

CAD 300	Professional Roles and Careers in Child and Adolescent Development (Major Core)	3
Concentration Elective ⁶		3
GE Area B: Life Science (B2) and Laboratory Science (B3) ⁵		3-4
GE Area C		3
GE Area F [±]		3

Units 15-16

Fifth Semester

CAD 410GW	Applied Developmental Science: Prenatal Through Early Childhood - GVAR (Major Core)	3
Curriculum and Methods - Select One (Major Concentration):		3
CAD 330	Curriculum and Development in Early Childhood	
E ED 602	Innovative Early Childhood Education Curriculum (UD-D, AERM, SJ)	
Observation and Assessment - Select One (Major Concentration):		3
CAD 420	Assessment and Observation with Children	
E ED 610	Classroom Assessment and Evaluation for Young Children	
Concentration Elective ⁶		3
U.S. and California Government (http://bulletin.sfsu.edu/undergraduate-education/american-institutions/#usg)		3

Units 15

Sixth Semester

CAD 411	Applied Developmental Science: Middle Childhood through Emerging Adulthood (Major Core)	3
CAD 625	Children, Youth, and Public Policy (Major Core)	3
Concentration Electives - Take Two ⁶		6
SF State Studies or University Elective ⁴		3

Units 15

Seventh Semester

CAD 500	Research Methods in Child and Adolescent Development (Major Core)	3
GE Area UD-B: Upper-Division Physical and/or Life Sciences ⁷		3

GE Area UD-D: Upper-Division Social Sciences ⁷		3
SF State Studies or University Elective - Take Two ⁴		6
	Units	15
Eighth Semester		
CAD 660	Applied Advanced Developmental Science in Child and Adolescent Development (Major Core)	3
GE Area UD-C: Upper-Division Arts and/or Humanities ⁷		3
SF State Studies or University Elective - Take Three ⁴		9
	Units	15
	Total Units	120-122

¹ ENG 114 can only be taken if you complete Directed Self-Placement (DSP) and select ENG 114; if you choose ENG 104/ENG 105 through DSP you will satisfy A2 upon successful completion of ENG 105 in the second semester; multilingual students may be advised into alternative English courses.

² To avoid taking additional units, it is recommended that you meet the **SF State Studies** (AERM, GP, ES, SJ) requirements within your GE or major.

³ To determine the best B4 course option, students should complete the online advising activity at mathadvising.sfsu.edu (<https://mathadvising.sfsu.edu/>). Questions? Contact Gator Smart Start. (<https://gatorsmartstart.sfsu.edu/>)

⁴ **Complementary Studies**

To fulfill the Complementary Studies requirement, all students completing a B.A. degree must take 12 units from courses outside of the primary prefix of their major and not cross-listed with the primary prefix for the major. This requirement is automatically fulfilled when completing a Child and Adolescent Development major. Students may need to take additional units, however, to reach the 120 minimum units required for graduation.

⁵ Consider taking a class combined with a laboratory or a separate lab to fulfill B3 if not already satisfied.

⁶ **Concentration Electives (12 units)**

A full list of the concentration elective options can be found in the degree requirements (<http://bulletin.sfsu.edu/colleges/health-social-sciences/child-adolescent-development/ba-child-adolescent-development-concentration-early-care-education/#degreerequirementstext>).

⁷ It is highly recommended that students attempt to fulfill upper-division GE requirements (UD-B, UD-C, and UD-D) through Concentration courses. Courses that fulfill those requirements have been marked in the respective lists.

± Given catalog rights, fall 2023 transfer students do not need to complete an Area F course.