

BACHELOR'S DEGREE IN CHILD STUDY



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You can make a positive difference in the lives of children. From birth through eight years old, children need a strong foundation of support and knowledge to realize lifelong success. By becoming an early childhood educator, you can play a crucial role in child development and early learning.

Parents, families, and communities need devoted, nurturing — and prepared — caregivers who are invested in children's growth. Early childhood educators focus on nurturing children's social, physical, emotional, and cognitive skills as well as developing their abilities in language and literacy.

Students will have extensive opportunities for hands-on learning throughout the degree program in Child Study. Students will gain experience in a variety of early childhood settings, including our state-of-the-art Reggio Emilia-inspired Early Childhood Magnet School.

Graduates of our Child Study and Early Childhood Education programs can obtain their Early Childhood Teacher Credential (ECTC). The ECTC will be required of all Connecticut teachers in state-funded programs by 2020, and Goodwin College has been approved for both the Infant/Toddler and Preschool levels.

CURRICULUM

General Education Core - 40 credits		
ENG 101	English Composition	3
ENG 1XX	Writing Competency (WR)	3
ENG 2XX	Advanced Writing Elective (AW)	3
COM 1XX	Communications Competency (COM)	3
CAP 1XX	Computer Literacy Competency (CL)	3
MATH 1XX	Math Competency (MATH)	3
PSY 112	Introduction to Psychology (SS)	3
	Science Competency (SCI)	4
	Social Science Competency (SS)	3
	Cultural Competency (CU & E/P)	6
HIS 1XX	US History I or II Global Studies Competency (G/US)	3
	Global Studies Competency (G/W)	3

Programmatic General Education Requirements - 3 credits		
ASD 120	The College Experience OR General Education Elective	3

Major Core Requirements - 60 credits		
Freshman Year		
ECE 101	Introduction to Early Childhood Education	3
ECE 102	Health, Safety and Nutrition for Early Childhood Programs	3
ECE 110	Creativity and the Young Child	3
ECE 120	Math and Science for Young Children	3
PSY 115	Child Development	3
Sophomore Year		
ECE 231	Early Language and Literacy Development	3
ECE 210	Observation and Assessment in the Early Childhood Classroom	3
ECE 201	The Exceptional Child and Learner	3
ECE 251	Student Teaching I	3
ECE 252	Student Teaching II	3
Junior Year		
ECE 220	Multicultural Aspects in Education	3
ECE 221	Social and Emotional Development in Young Children	3
ECE 315	Family-School-Community Partnerships	3
ECE 340	Psychology of the Exceptional Child	3
PSY 365	Advanced Child Development	3

Senior Year		
ECE 3XX	Elective	3
ECE 410	Education Research	3
ECE 411	Action Research Project	3
ECE 450	Capstone: Internship Experience OR	
ECE 451	Capstone: Student Teaching	6

Electives - 18 credits		
ECE 1XX	Electives	6
ECE 3XX	Electives	6
Open	Electives	6

Total Credits: 121

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SPECIFIC CAREERS FOR EARLY CHILDHOOD PROFESSIONALS:

- ▶ Child Advocate
- ▶ Child Specialist with the Department of Children and Families
- ▶ Curriculum Coordinator
- ▶ Infant, Toddler, and Preschool Teacher
- ▶ Early Childhood Director
- ▶ Entry Level in Social Service Agency
- ▶ Licensing Specialist with the Department of Public Health
- ▶ School Readiness Teacher

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