

BACHELOR OF ARTS IN CHILD DEVELOPMENT PRE-K TO 3RD GRADE – CHILD AND ADOLESCENT DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATE DEGREE FOR TRANSFER (ADT) ROADMAP

Last Admit Term: Fall 2025

This is a sample pathway for students who transfer to San Francisco State University in the current bulletin year with an AA-T in Child and Adolescent Development. Three units in the major (CAD 210) and all lower-division GE requirements have been satisfied. Check with a major advisor about the most appropriate course sequence. **Degree completion guaranteed in 60 units; see the Associate Degree for Transfer (ADT) section for more information (<https://bulletin.sfsu.edu/undergraduate-admissions/transfer-students/>).**

To Do at SF State:

Enough total units to reach 120 minimum for graduation; 30 units minimum at the upper-division level; to include the following:

University-Wide Requirements: 9-15 units

- American Institutions (0-6 units): US History, US Government, California State and Local Government requirements if not taken before transfer
- Upper-Division GE Areas 2UD/5UD, 3UD, and 4UD (9 units): Courses required for the major may double-count if approved for UD GE.
- Students entering this major with the AA-T in Child and Adolescent Development are not required to fulfill SF State Studies requirements.

CAD Major (Child Development Pre-K to 3rd Grade): 42 units

CAD 210 met in transfer.

- Core (24 units): Includes GWAR and Capstone.
- Area Requirements (18 units).
- A minimum grade of C or better is required for all courses in the major.

University Electives: 3 or More units

Depends on course choices made at the community college, how transferred units are applied to the requirements above, and course choices at SF State. Some courses may meet more than one requirement, e.g., both in UD GE and the major.

Course	Title	Units
First Semester		
Select One (Major Core):		3
CAD 215	Foundations in Early Childhood	
CAD 230	Principles and Practices in Early Childhood Programs	

CAD 260	Children, Families, and Community: An Ecological Perspective (Major Core, GE 4, AERM, GP)	3
CAD 300	Professional Roles and Careers in Child and Adolescent Development (Major Core)	3
CAD 330	Curriculum and Development in Early Childhood (Major Core)	3
MATH 165	Concepts of the Number System (Major Core)	3
		Units 15
Second Semester		
CAD 326	Developing Language and Literacy Skills in Young Children (Major Core)	3
CAD 410GW	Applied Developmental Science: Prenatal Through Early Childhood - GWAR (Major Core)	3
Select One (Observation and Assessment):		3
CAD 420	Assessment and Observation with Children	
Science Course ¹		3
Inclusive Education Course ²		3
		Units 15
Third Semester		
CAD 280	Early Childhood Internship (Major Core)	3
Physical Education Course ³		3
Arts Course ⁴		3
US History (https://bulletin.sfsu.edu/undergraduate-education/american-institutions/#USHaGR)		3
or University Elective if met in transfer		
U.S. and California Government (https://bulletin.sfsu.edu/undergraduate-education/american-institutions/#usg)		3
or University Elective if met in transfer		
		Units 15
Fourth Semester		
CAD 660	Applied Advanced Developmental Science in Child and Adolescent Development (Major Core)	3

GE Area 5UD or 2UD: Upper-Division Sciences or Upper-Division Mathematical Concepts ⁵	3
GE Area 3UD: Upper-Division Arts or Humanities ⁵	3
GE Area 4UD: Upper-Division Social and Behavioral Sciences ⁵	3
University Elective	3
Units	15
Total Units	60

¹ **Science Course**

A full list of courses that can fulfill this requirement can be found in the Degree Requirements (<https://bulletin.sfsu.edu/colleges/health-social-sciences/child-adolescent-development/ba-child-development-prek-to-3rd-grade/#programrequirements>).

² **Inclusive Education Course**

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³ **Physical Education Course**

A full list of courses that can fulfill this requirement can be found in the Degree Requirements (<https://bulletin.sfsu.edu/colleges/health-social-sciences/child-adolescent-development/ba-child-development-prek-to-3rd-grade/#programrequirements>).

⁴ **Arts Course**

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⁵ It is highly recommended that students attempt to fulfill upper-division GE requirements (2UD/5UD, 3UD, and 4UD) through courses in the major.