



## DEGREE OFFERED

*Bachelor of Arts in Child Development*

## ABOUT THE MAJOR

The Child Development major is a relatively broad major in the University curriculum. Students take a wide range of courses in across the academic divisions of the college. The major includes foundation and advanced courses in the traditional liberal arts fields: humanities, fine and performing arts, mathematics and sciences, and the social sciences. In addition, students choose a twelve-unit Concentration for depth in an aspect of the field of child development issues.

The possible areas of Concentration are: Early Intervention or Violence Intervention and Counseling. Both of these concentrations may be taken at Merritt College as a part of the agreement we have with this college.

The Child Development program at Holy Names offers small classes and frequent interactions with Child Development advisors and professors. In their final year of study, students present an integrative portfolio of their college work and meet with advisors to assess their preparation for future work and study. Students participate in an internship and work closely with career counselors and representatives of the HNU career preparation program to explore career options.

## CAREER OPTIONS

Graduates interested in working in public or private childcare facilities have preparation in all of the subject matter areas and topics needed to work in various child care settings as supervisors, early intervention assistants or violence intervention counselors. They are also prepared to become a teacher or program director in Early Childhood Education. They are also prepared to begin post-graduate studies in an early childhood credential program to work with children with special needs should they choose to do so.

## CURRICULUM

### Foundation Courses

The Foundation level courses satisfy the general education requirements of the University.

#### Arts of Language:

ENGL 1A, ENGL 1B  
COMM 1

#### Arts of Thinking:

MATH 7  
CSCI level one competency  
PHIL 2

#### Disciplinary Studies:

##### Human Sciences

HIST 17A or PSCI 1  
PSYC 1 or 10 or 30

##### Natural Sciences:

BIOL 15 and PHSC 15

##### Humanities

PHIL/RLST 40W or PHIL/RLST 20W

##### Fine and Performing Arts

##### Interdisciplinary Studies

ISAC 1/101  
ISAC 2/102  
ISAC 3/103  
ISAC 4/104

##### Health and Physical Education/Career Exploration:

PHED for Educators: PHED 110  
HLTH for Educators  
EDUC 100 or 101

### Advanced Courses

These courses build upon the Foundation level work to enlarge and deepen knowledge in specific areas of study.

#### Arts of Language

One course in writing:  
ENGL 107W or 108W

One course in literature:  
ENGL 151

One course in linguistics:  
LING 145

#### Arts of Thinking

MATH 151

#### Disciplinary Studies:

##### Human Sciences

One course dealing with Social Dynamics/Ethnic Experience, chosen from:

HIST 172-179

SOCI 130, 165, 169

Three courses in Human Development, chosen from:

PSYC 130, 132, 134 or 120

One course in Social Dynamics, chosen from:

SOCI 130, 147 or 169

##### Humanities and the Arts

One course in Religious Studies or ARTS

##### Interdisciplinary Studies

ISAC 195 (W)

##### Career Exploration/Field Experience

CHDT 196 (Internship)

CHDT 110 (Portfolio preparation)

Concentration: one certificate program in Child Development taken at Merritt College

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