

CHILD DEVELOPMENT PERMITS – GRADUATE (LICENSURE)

The School of Education offers Early Childhood coursework, and upon completion of the required coursework, candidates will be eligible to apply for the California Child Development Assistant Permit, Associate Teacher Permit, Teacher Permit, Master Teacher Permit and/or Site Supervisor Permit with the option to add the School-Age Emphasis Authorization to all permits. The Early Childhood coursework can be applied to the Master of Arts in Teaching (M.A.T.) (Licensure) or the Master of Arts in Education (M.A.Ed.) (Licensure) as part of a 12-credit concentration, as a stand alone program, or taken for Child Development certification purposes. All Child Development Permits (<https://www.biola.edu/degrees/u/child-development-permits/>) require that all coursework be passed with a grade of C or higher. Candidates in permit courses must reside in California while enrolled in this program.

Program Learning Outcomes

Upon the completion of Child Development coursework, students will be able to:

1. Demonstrate the foundational knowledge of Developmentally Appropriate Practice and the understanding of subject matter contents (ULO 1).
2. Plan developmentally, culturally, and linguistically appropriate practices to ensure a high quality learning environment for all students (ULO 3).
3. Promote child development and learning through play-based experiences that engage caregivers (ULO 3).
4. Develop appropriate adaptations to maximize learning by identifying students' learning needs (ULO 3).
5. Apply faith integration to teaching and leadership (ULO 2).
6. Understand foundational spiritual formation of young children as supported by research from related fields, clinical observations, biblical perspectives, and interviews (ULO 1 & 2).

Each Program Learning Outcome (PLO) listed above references at least one of the University Learning Outcomes (ULO 1, 2, 3), which may be found in the General Information section (<https://catalog.biola.edu/general-information/#UniversityLearningOutcomes>) of this catalog.

Admission Requirements

- Applicants must have completed all bachelor's requirements prior to the start of the program and must have a bachelor's degree conferred from a regionally accredited institution prior to the start of the second term.
- Must be a California resident in order to fulfill fieldwork requirements for permits.
- Have a minimum 2.75 cumulative GPA on a 4.0 scale.
- Verify possession of a Certificate of Clearance from the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing.
- Documentation of tuberculosis (TB) test clearance administered within 3 months prior to start of program.

- Applicants for whom English is not a primary language must verify a score of 100 iBT on the TOEFL exam.
- Complete Biola University's Graduate Education Application.
- Interview with a member of the School of Education.

Official documents presented for admission or evaluation become part of the student's academic file and normally cannot be returned or copied for distribution.

Taskstream Subscription

Candidates must have a paid subscription to Taskstream while taking Child Development courses.

Program Requirements

The School-Age Emphasis Authorization can be added to all child development permits by completion of additional approved coursework. Please see a credential analyst in the School of Education for details.

1. Assistant Permit Coursework

Code	Title	Credits
SEED 535	Child Development: Birth through Adolescence	3
SEED 556	Early Childhood Curriculum	3

2. Associate Teacher Permit Coursework

Code	Title	Credits
SEED 535	Child Development: Birth through Adolescence	3
SEED 556	Early Childhood Curriculum	3
SEED 557	School/Family/Community Partnerships in Early Childhood Urban Settings	3
SEED 559	Observation and Assessment of Young Children	3

Experience Requirement

The experience requirement includes at least 50 days of experience in an instructional capacity in a child care and development program, working at least 3 hours per day within the last 2 years. This experience must be verified by submitting an original letter from the employer on official letterhead. Fieldwork in early childhood coursework may be folded into the 50 days of required early childhood experience (minimum of 3 hours per day).

3. Teacher Permit Coursework

Code	Title	Credits
SEED 535	Child Development: Birth through Adolescence	3
SEED 556	Early Childhood Curriculum	3
SEED 557	School/Family/Community Partnerships in Early Childhood Urban Settings	3
SEED 558	Classroom Management in Early Childhood Settings	3

SEED 559	Observation and Assessment of Young Children	3
SEED 579	Early Childhood Practicum ¹	3

¹ SEED 579 waived if the experience requirement is met.

Experience Requirement

The experience requirement includes at least 175 days of experience in an instructional capacity in a child care and development program, working at least 3 hours per day within the last 4 years. This experience must be verified by submitting an original letter from the employer on official letterhead. Fieldwork in early childhood coursework may be folded into the 175 days of required early childhood experience (minimum of 3 hours per day). Candidates who successfully complete SEED 512 and SEED 513 with a student teaching placement in kindergarten or SEED 579 (Early Childhood Practicum) may use these hours to fulfill the 175 day requirement.

General Education Requirement: Must complete 16 semester credits in general education. One course in each of the following areas: humanities and/or fine arts, social sciences, math and/or science, and English and/or language arts.

4. Master Teacher Permit Coursework

Code	Title	Credits
SEED 535	Child Development: Birth through Adolescence	3
SEED 556	Early Childhood Curriculum	3
SEED 557	School/Family/Community Partnerships in Early Childhood Urban Settings	3
SEED 558	Classroom Management in Early Childhood Settings	3
SEED 559	Observation and Assessment of Young Children	3
SEED 579	Early Childhood Practicum ¹	3

¹ SEED 579 may be met by SEED 512 and SEED 513: Elementary Student Teaching (kindergarten placement).

5. Site Supervisor Permit Coursework

Code	Title	Credits
SEED 535	Child Development: Birth through Adolescence	3
SEED 556	Early Childhood Curriculum	3
SEED 557	School/Family/Community Partnerships in Early Childhood Urban Settings	3
SEED 558	Classroom Management in Early Childhood Settings	3
SEED 559	Observation and Assessment of Young Children	3
SEED 579	Early Childhood Practicum ¹	3

¹ SEED 579 may be met by SEED 512 and SEED 513: Elementary Student Teaching (kindergarten placement).

Degree Requirement

Candidate must hold a baccalaureate degree or higher, or possess a valid Multiple Subject Teaching Credential or a Single Subject Teaching Credential in Home Economics.