

# Chatfield CDA Courses

**EDU 102 Foundations of Education**  
4 credits (Includes 10 hours of Child Observation & Recording)

**EDU 215 Programs and Practices in Early Childhood Education** 3 credits

**EDU/PSY 241 Educational Psychology**  
3 credits

**ENG 101 English Composition I**  
3 credits (prerequisite for EDU/PSY 211)

**EDU/PSY 211 Early Childhood Development** 3 credits

**EDU/HUS 108 Health, Safety, and Nutrition** 3 credits

**EDU/SOC 237 Community, School & Family Diversity** 4 credits

**Total 23 Semester Hours Required**



# Getting Started

## Financial Aid

To apply for Financial Aid (Grants and Loans) you will first need to complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).

For assistance with the FAFSA, or to discuss other financial aid options, contact the financial aid department at one of the numbers listed below.

## Questions?

For more information about Chatfield, or to schedule a campus tour, please contact an admissions representative at one of the numbers listed below.

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# CDA Requirements

The eligibility requirement for CDA candidates to have 120 clock hours of formal child care education may be met through participation in the wide variety of training available in the field, including in-service. While the formal education hours can be credit or noncredit, the hours must be through an agency or organization with expertise in early childhood teacher preparation. The agency or organization must provide verification of the candidate's education in the form of a transcript, certificate, or letter.\*

The 120 clock hours of education must be documented, with no fewer than 10 hours in each of the following content areas:

1. Planning a safe, healthy, learning environment (EDU 108 content)
2. Steps to advance children's physical and intellectual development; (EDU 215 & EDU 241 Content)
3. Positive ways to support children's social and emotional development; (EDU 211 & EDU 241 Content)
4. Strategies to establish productive relationships with families; (EDU 108 & EDU 237 content)
5. Strategies to manage an effective program operation; (EDU 215 Content)
6. Maintaining a commitment to professionalism; (EDU 215 Content)
7. Observing and recording children's behavior; (EDU 102 & EDU 211 Content) and
8. Principles of child development and learning. (EDU 211 & EDU 241 Content)

\* From the CDA Council Website [http://www.cdacouncil.org/cda\\_obt.htm#a2](http://www.cdacouncil.org/cda_obt.htm#a2)

This Website provides a detailed list of instructions for obtaining the CDA Certificate.

# Chatfield CDA Program

The Early Childhood Education Concentration at Chatfield College includes course content specific to the training requirements for the Child Development Associate Professional certificate. This component may be completed with the Chatfield College courses listed on this brochure. These courses provide contact time in each content area in excess of the mandated 120 hours and comprise approximately 1/3 of the total requirements for the Associate of Arts degree.

Chatfield College is a private, Catholic, liberal arts college offering the Associate of Arts degree. Chatfield is an open enrollment college and is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission\*. Prospective students need only to have a High School diploma or GED to attend and will be guided individually through the enrollment and Financial Aid process.