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This advising packet provides comprehensive advice for all required coursework in the Bachelor of Science (BS) degree in Child and Adolescent Studies: Early Childhood Education Concentration (CHAC). Course information is organized into these categories:

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# General Education (GE) & American Government

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| GE Category | Recommendation | Class Taken | Notes |
| Lower-Division GE |  |  |  |
| 1 English Communication |  |  |  |
| 1A Written Communication |  |  |  |
| 1B Critical Thinking |  |  |  |
| 1C Oral Communication |  |  |  |
| 2 Math & Quant Reasoning |  |  |  |
| 2A Math & Quant Reasoning |  |  |  |
| 3 Arts & Humanities |  |  |  |
| 3A Intro to Arts |  |  |  |
| 3B Intro to Humanities |  |  |  |
| 4 Social & Behavioral Sciences |  |  |  |
| 4A Intro to Soc & Behav Sci | CAS 101 |  | This course also counts as part of the CAS Core. |
| 4B Am History, Inst & Values | AFAM/ASAM/ CHIC/HIST 190 |  | These classes meet a prerequisite for CSUF teaching credential programs. |
| 5 Physical & Biol Sciences |  |  |  |
| 5A Physical Science |  |  |  |
| 5B Biological Science |  |  |  |
| 5C Laboratory Experience |  |  |  |
| 6 Ethnic Studies |  |  |  |
| American Gov Graduation Req |  |  |  |
| Upper-Division GE |  |  |  |
| 2U Impli/Explore Math & Quant Reasoning |  |  | You must take ***either 2U or 5U.*** You do not need to take both. |
| 3U Explore Arts or Humanities | ART 380 |  | This course also counts as a Topical Development course. |
| 4U Explor Soc & Behav Sci | CAS 340 or  CAS/AFAM 370  EDEL 325 |  | CAS 340 and CAS/AFAM 370 count as a GE Z and a Topical Development course.  EDEL 325 is a required prerequisite for the multiple subject and Pk-3 credential programs. |
| 5U Impli/Explore Phys & Biol Sciences |  |  | You must take ***either 2U or 5U.*** You do not need to take both. |
| Z Cultural Diversity | CAS 340 or  CAS/AFAM 370 |  | One GE course in areas 2, 3, 4, or 5 must also be a Z course. If you take the classes recommended in 4U, they will also meet area Z. |

* 3 GE classes must be upper-division (300+) classes taken at the CSU: 3U, 4U, and either 2U or 5U. These **GE Categories are listed in orange** above.
* Additional information is available at <https://www.fullerton.edu/general-education/>

# CAS Core Courses (taken by all majors regardless of concentration)

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| CSUF CAS Class | Class Taken | Notes |
| CAS 100 Foundations for Success in CAS  OR  CAS 200 Thriving as a Transfer Student in CAS |  | CAS 100/200 should be taken in your first year at CSUF. |
| CAS 101 Intro to Child Devel |  |  |
| CAS 201 Child, Family, & Comm |  |  |
| SPED 371 Exceptional Individual |  |  |
| CAS 300 Effective Prof Comm |  |  |
| CAS 301 Inquiry & Method Devel |  |  |
| CAS 302 Cultural Competence in Development |  |  |
| CAS 325A Conception to Age 8 |  |  |
| CAS 325B Age 9 to Adolescence |  |  |
| CAS 490T Topical Seminar |  |  |

The CAS core sequence has a structured order enforced by prerequisites. 
The classes in column 1 (CAS 100 or 200, CAS 101, CAS 201, CAS 300, and CAS 301) are prerequisites for CAS 302 and CAS 325A. 
The class in column 2 (CAS 325A) is a prerequisite for CAS 325B.
The class in column 3 (CAS 325B) is a prerequisite for CAS 490T).


# Early Childhood Education (CHAC) Concentration Requirements

## Concentration-Specific Assessment Class

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| CSUF CAS Class | Class Taken | Notes |
| CAS 305 Advanced Assess in EC |  |  |

Although it is not part of the CAS core, the CAS assessment course (CAS 305) is related to the CAS core sequence. All of the classes in column 1 (CAS 100 or 200, CAS 101, CAS 201, CAS 300, and CAS 301) are prerequisites for CAS 305. CAS 305 is a prerequisite for CAS 490T. 
Assuming you are a full-time student, you should take CAS 305 with either CAS 325A or CAS 325B. 

## Early Childhood Education Contexts Practicum Classes

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| CSUF CAS Class | Class Taken | Notes |
| CAS 394 Intro Practicum in CAS |  |  |
| CAS 454 Practicum in Transitional EC  OR  CAS 464 Practicum in Early Care and Edu |  |  |

CAS majors take two practicum (fieldwork) classes. The first, CAS 394, is part of the CAS core. 

All of the classes in column 1 (CAS 100 or 200, CAS 101, CAS 201, CAS 300, and CAS 301) are prerequisites for CAS 394.  


The advanced practicum course is specific to your concentration. Development in Diverse Contexts (CHAC) majors take CAS 494 for the advanced practicum. 
CAS 325A and CAS 394 are prerequisites for the advanced practicum. Most CAS majors take CAS 454 or 464  in their senior year. 

## Early Childhood Education (CHAC) Topical Developmental Classes

To fulfill concentration requirements, CHAC majors select **SIX additional courses** from the following list. Every CAS major must take a CAS class on family. We strongly recommend students select topical courses based on their professional interests, the requirements of graduate programs they will apply for, and the target populations they plan to work with.

#### Courses must meet these requirements:

* At least **ONE** course must be in the ECE Curriculum category
* At least **ONE** course must be in the Family Context category.
* At least **THREE** courses must be CAS.
* At least **THREE** courses must be upper-division (having a number 300 or higher).

**See the next pages for our specific course recommendations for early childhood professionals. If you are interested in post-baccalaureate or credential programs, please see the advising guides for Pk-3rd credentials, Early Childhood Special Education credentials, and graduate school.**

### Early Childhood Education Curriculum Class (choose 1 class)

* CAS 250: Intro to Early Childhood Curriculum
* Equivalent class at a Community College (C-ID = ECE 130)

### Family Context Classes (choose 1 or 2 classes)

* CAS 340 Parenting Today
* CAS 341 Working with Parents Young Child
* CAS 345 Devel Div Family Contexts

### Areas of Additional Study Classes (choose 3 or 4 classes)

#### Curricular Subjects

* ART 380 Art & Child Development
* CAS 140 Intro to Early Childhood Ed
* CAS 206 Health & Safety in EC
* CAS 215 Observations in EC
* CAS 221 Responsive Care Infant/Toddler
* CAS 352 Numeracy & Science in EC
* CAS 353 Learning & Motivation in EC
* CAS 391 Leadership in EC
* MUS 433 Music in Childhood
* READ 340 Early Lang & Lit in Div Child

#### Development

* CAS 321 Adv Study Infant/Toddler
* CAS 328 Child Life
* CAS 346 Advanced Preschool Devel
* CAS 370/AFAM 370 African American Children

#### Special Education

* SPED 400 Early Childhood SpEd
* SPED 425 Culture, Lang, Dis/Ability, IEP

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| Recommended  Topical Developmental Classes | Class Selected | Notes |
| ECE curriculum class |  | CAS 250 is the only class at CSUF |
| Family context class (choose one) |  |  |
| Areas of Additional Study (choose 3) |  |  |
| 1. ART 380 |  | Also meets GE 3U |
| 1. CAS 340 or CAS/AFAM 370 |  | Also meets GE 4U |
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| Choose family OR additional study class as the sixth class |  |  |

### Important Reminders:

* At least 1 topical development class must be in the “ECE Curriculum” category.
* At least 1 topical development class must be in the “Family Context” category.
* Community College equivalents may be accepted for up to 3 Topical Development Classes. The remaining 3 classes must be taken at CSUF.
* At least 3 Topical Development Courses must be upper division (course number of 300 or higher).
* At least 3 Topical Development Courses must be CAS classes (offered by or cross-listed with the CAS department).

### Infant/Toddler Focus

If you plan to work with Infants and/or toddlers, these courses enhance your understanding of these age groups.

* CHAC family context class:
  + CAS 341 Working with Parents of Young Children
* CHAC area of additional study:
  + CAS 221 Responsive Care for Infants and Toddlers
  + CAS 321 Advanced Study of Infants and Toddlers
* Recommended general elective: SOCI 385 Family Violence

# Graduation Unit Requirements

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| Type of Course | Total | Notes |
| * Transferred |  |  |
| * Completed at CSUF |  |  |
| * In progress |  |  |
| * Enrolled for Future Semester |  |  |
| * Left in major |  |  |
| * Left in GE |  |  |
| * Left in American Government |  |  |
| * Required for next steps |  |  |
| * General electives needed to reach 120 |  |  |
| Minimum Units Needed for Graduation | **120** |  |