# Senate Policy 24-01 M.A. in Early Childhood Studies

Motion: To approve the M.A. in Early Childhood Studies

Passed at the October 22, 2024 meeting of the Academic Senate
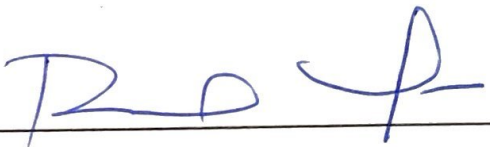
Approvals:

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Christina Smith, PhD
Chair, Academic Senate

11-20-24

Date

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Richard Yao, PhD
President

11/22/24

Date

# Master of Arts in Early Childhood Studies

## 2b. Long Form - New Program Curriculum Proposal

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### General Catalog Information

**Select "*Program*" below.**

**Program Type (select "Program"):*** ⦿ Program
                 ◯ Shared Core

Choose which **Local Curriculum Committee** program will be reviewed by. If unsure, click <u>HERE</u> for list of Local Curriculum Committees and which Programs they review.

**Local Curriculum Committee: *** Professional Studies Local Curriculum Committee

# ** Instructions: read before beginning **

1. FILL IN all required fields marked with an *. You will not be able to launch proposal without completing required fields

2. Upload/attach all completed documents

**Note:** information provided through this proposal is vital for the entire campus to be able to effectively implement it; thus, all fields must be completed before you approve proposal; if this does not happen, be aware proposal may be returned to you for completion from any step in approval process, before it's allowed to move forward

3. Validate and LAUNCH proposal

## Long Form

Complete documents below, they can be found and downloaded from the CSU site: Develop a New Program. Submit documents below here in Curriculog by uploading under the paperclip icon located on the right area of form. Provide all information required by CSU Chancellor's Office. **Your completed submission MUST include all the documents listed below in addition to any letters and documents requested in the New Degree Proposal Template 2022.**

**New Degree Proposal Template 2022**
**Assessment Plan Template**
**Curriculum Map Sample Template**

**Note: if program is planned to be offered through Extended University, contact andrea.skinner@csuci.edu for different documents**

For additional resources, you may access Chancellor's Office website here:
https://www.calstate.edu/app/program

**Department:***   Early Childhood Studies

**Where is this program being housed?*** ☑ State Side
☐ Self Supported = Extended University

**Program level:*** ○ Undergraduate    ● Graduate

**Title:*** Master of Arts in Early Childhood Studies

**Program Description:*** The online Master of Arts in Early Childhood Studies prepares professionals to lead in early care and education contexts for children from birth through age eight based on justice, equity, diversity, and inclusion principles. Through coursework and research, students develop advanced and specialized knowledge about culturally, linguistically, and accessible pedagogies, assessment, diversity of families, community partnerships, leadership, advocacy, social/emotional guidance, and early literacy. Careful attention is given to children's funds of knowledge, connections with the natural world, and the importance of outdoor learning environments. Multilingual learners and children with special needs are at the center of our program.

**Find info regarding Transfer Model Curricula (TMC) here:** https://www.c-id.net/tmc

**Find general info regarding California Senate Bill 1440 & Associate Degrees for Transfer (ADTs) here:**
http://sb1440.org/, or here: https://adegreewithaguarantee.com/en-us/

**Major could be similar to a Transfer Model Curriculum (TMC):** ○ Yes
● No
○ Unsure

**If answer to above is yes, list TMC title:**

**Desired Term and Year of Implementation:**

**Term:***  Fall

**Year:***  2025

# Follow steps below to create Curriculum Schema found in Prospective Curriculum section:

First, ALL courses involved in New Program Proposal must be added (new courses) and/or imported (existing), Second, Curriculum Schema must be created by adding Cores (e.g.: Requirements, Required Core, Electives, Pre-requisites, etc.) and populating with added or imported courses.

## Step 1. Adding and/or Importing Courses

Click on ☰ "View Curriculum Schema" icon. There are two options to add courses to New Program: "Add Course" and "Import Course." For new courses in Curriculog Approval Process, click on "Add Course." A dialog box will open asking for Prefix, Course Number, and Course Title. All new courses must have New Course Proposal Form submitted prior to completing this step. For courses already in Catalog, click on "Import Course" and find needed courses.

## Step 2. Creating Curriculum Schema

Click on ☰ "View Curriculum Schema" icon. Then, click on "Add Core" or "Import Core." Next, click on "New Core," complete "Title" field for core (e.g.: Electives), and "Description" field If applicable. Click on "Add Courses." This will bring up course list created in Step 1. Select courses you wish to add and click "Add Course." To remove courses, click on ✖ icon and proceed.

**Prospective Curriculum:**\*

## Core Requirements in Early Childhood - 9 units

ECS 600 Research Methods in Early Childhood

ECS 605 Theories and Critical Perspectives in Early Childhood

ECS 610 Seminar in the Study of Play

## Culturally Sustaining Pedagogies in Early Childhood - 9 units

ECS 615 Literacies in the Home and Community

ECS 620 Nurturing and Responsive Relationships and Environments in Early

ECS 625 Observing, Documenting and Writing Stories in Diverse Early Childhood Settings

## Early Childhood Advocacy and Service Learning - 9 units

ECS 635 Advocacy for Dual Language Learners

ECS 640 Justice, Equity, Diversity, and Intersectionality in Early Childhood Education

[Before]

### Complete one from the following:

ECS 630 Advancing Inclusion and Disability Rights in Early Childhood Education

ECS 645 Critical Contemporary Topics in Early Childhood

## Capstone Requirement - 3 units

ECS 650 Action Research in Early Childhood

**List all courses & their units that are prerequisite to major:** *

## Core Requirements in Early Childhood (9 units)

ECS 600: Research Methods in Early Childhood (3 units)

ECS 605 Theories and Critical Perspectives in Early Childhood (3 units)

ECS 610 Seminar in the Study of Play (3 units)

## Culturally Sustaining Pedagogies in Early Childhood (9 units)

ECS 615 Literacies in the Home and Community (3 units)

ECS 620 Nurturing and Responsive Relationships and Environments in Early

ECS 625 Observing, Documenting and Writing Stories in Diverse Early

Childhood Settings  (3 units)

## Early Childhood Advocacy and Service Learning (9 units)

ECS 630 Advancing Inclusion and Disability Rights in Early Childhood

Education  (3 units) **OR** ECS 645 Critical Contemporary Topics in Early Childhood (3 units)

ECS 635 Advocacy for Dual Language Learners (3 units)

ECS 640 Justice, Equity, Diversity, and Intersectionality in Early Childhood Education (3 units)

## Capstone Requirement (3 units)

ECS 650 Action Research in Early Childhood (3 units)

**Will any component of this program contribute to studies related to: (choose as many as apply)** *

- ☑ Mission Pillars
- ☐ Sustainability
- ☑ Justice, Diversity, Equity, Inclusion
- ☐ N/A

**Notes (optional):**

**DO NOT USE**  No DO NOT USE