

**Rio Hondo College
Curriculum Committee**

<p style="text-align:center">New Program Certificate of Achievement</p>

Division/Department: Behavioral and Social Science

Subject Area: Child Development/Education

Title: Child Development Specialization: Language and Literacy

Total Units: 12

Degree/Certificate Description:

The following courses will prepare students to effectively facilitate and support the language development of children. It will also provide essential information regarding Emergent Literacy and how it supports the development of effective reading skills in children.

Purpose and Goals of Degree/Certificate:

State funded ECE programs in California require teaching and administrative staff to hold a Child Development Permit. The Master Teacher Permit level requires students to select a specialization area and complete two courses in that area.

Emergent Literacy is a major focus in the process of facilitating and supporting children's learning and development.

This Certificate of Achievement will prepare students with the basic information regarding the overall development of children and details of literacy development along with the basic principles for the field and specifics of curriculum experiences to promote language development.

Specific Objectives of Degree/Certificate:

This Certificate of Achievement will examine the aspects of literacy development in the context of overall development of children.

This Certificate of Achievement will demonstrate how language and literacy can be facilitated and supported through curriculum learning experiences.

Explain how the program is appropriate to the objectives of the community college and how it conforms to statewide master planning:

This program will promote the holder's employment and career pathway opportunities working with children focusing on language and literacy development.

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<p>CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT 12 UNITS OR MORE</p>

Division/Department: Child Development/Education

Subject Area: Child Development

Certificate of Achievement Title: Child Development Specialization: Language and Literacy

*Number of Units Required for Certificate: 12

Please list courses for certificate below:

Course Prefix and Number	Title of Course	Units
CD 106	Child Growth and Development	3
CD 110	Principles and Practices of Early Childhood Education	3
CD 120	Experiences in Language Arts	3
CD 229	Literacy Development for Children	3
T O T A L U N I T S		12
(Must be 12 Units or more)		

Certificate of Achievement must be approved by the Chancellor's Office

Justification Questions

How has the college established a need for the proposed degree or certificate? Report on the following questions as appropriate.

- 1. Report interdistrict attendance agreements, actions and comments of area or regional councils, inter or intra district advisory groups, advisory committees or similar bodies testifying to the need for the program. (Attach minutes of the appropriate meetings.)**

Los Angeles County Data project that by 2021 there will be a 5 % increase in employment for workers in Early Childhood Education and Care Programs. This increase is higher than any other Education sector except Special Education.

Los Angeles County Data project that by 2021 there will be a 4 % increase in employment for workers in Elementary Teacher Assistants. This increase is due to the steady decrease in enrollment to age four of Transitional Kindergarten (TK) and the demands of providing educational services to that age groups.

(Employment Development Department, Labor Market Information Division 11/166)

- 2. Show summary results of job market analysis, surveys or other evidence of employment possibilities for graduates of the proposed program (for CTE Programs only).**

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- 3. What are the indications of student interest in the proposed program and how were they determined (for CTE Programs only)?**

CD 120 Experiences in Language Arts and CD 229 Literacy Development for Children are offered once a year with full enrollment.

- 4. Describe service to other disciplines which this proposed program will provide .**

The Language and Literacy Specialization can be beneficial to Elementary Teacher Education Pathways because of the increase in TK in Public schools, the lower age of enrollment and its focus on reading readiness.

What is the approximate cost to adopt this program? no cost increase anticipated

1. Will its adoption require that Rio Hondo College employ additional staff? Yes [] No [x]
2. Will its adoption require additional equipment, materials or modifications of facilities? Yes [] No [x]
3. How many sections will be offered? no increase proposed
4. Will they be offered in lieu of existing sections of another course? Yes [] No [x]
4. Will this course increase the hours of instruction in The department? Yes [] No [x]
5. Will the total number of students to be served by the College be increased by adopting this course? Yes [] No [x]

If yes, how many?

Signatures:

Approve

Disapprove

(Division Dean)

(Date)

Which Instructors in the Subject Area Endorse This Proposal?

(Signature)

(Date)

(Signature)

(Date)

(Signature)

(Date)

(Signature)

(Date)

Originator (Please Print)

(Signature of Originator)

(Curriculum Committee Member)