The Psychology and Child Development Department is dedicated to enhancing the health of individuals, families and communities through a scientific understanding and application of psychology and child development. The department offers a high-quality education fostering a wide-ranging knowledge of psychological and developmental science. Graduates possess the self-awareness, skills and knowledge they need to begin careers or go on to graduate study. Alumni become competent and ethical professionals who serve the growing multicultural population of California and the nation.
**Child Development (B.S.)**

The child development major is designed for students who are interested in professions involving children and adolescents in a variety of settings. The major provides the scientific base for understanding development from birth through adolescence. The program emphasizes the ecological contexts in which development occurs, including family, school, technology, community and culture. Graduates often continue studies in graduate and credential programs, and pursue a range of careers in education, intervention programs, and human services.

**Minors**

- Child Development

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### Major and Minor

**Preschool/Day Care**
- Teaching
- Administration

**Education**
- Teaching
- Curriculum development
- Research
- School counseling

**Social Services**
- Case management
- Counseling
- Advocacy
- Community education
- Volunteer coordination
- Humanitarian services
- Policy development
- Program administration
- Development/grant writing
- Workplace human relations

**Health-Related Professions**
- Child life specialist
- Occupational therapy
- Physical therapy
- Pre-med
- Health and nutrition education

### Where can this major take me?

- Child Development