

PROGRAM APPROVAL APPLICATION
NEW or SUBSTANTIAL CHANGE or LOCALLY APPROVED
(This application may not exceed 3 pages)

Fill In Form

Certificate of Achievement Infant Toddler Studies

Proposed Program Title

Los Angeles City College

College

Spring 2018

Projected Program Start Date

Los Angeles Community College District

District

Contact Information

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Goal(s) of Program (Check all that apply):

Career Technical Education (CTE) Transfer Other

Type of Program (Check all that apply):

Certificate of Achievement 12-17 (or 17-27 quarter) units Certificate of Achievement 18+ semester (or 27+ quarter) units
 Associate of Science Degree Associate of Arts Degree

Reason for Approval Request (Check One):

New Program Substantial Change Locally Approved

Program Information

1305.9

Recommended [Taxonomy of Program \(TOP\) Code](#)

Units for Major-Degree

Total Units for Degree

18 Required Units-Certificate

Written Form

1. Insert the description of the program as it will appear in the catalog. (See PCAH pp. 142 and 170)

This Certificate of Achievement qualifies students for an entry level teacher or assistant position in a program for infant toddler care. This Certificate will greatly improve the preparation for teachers working with infant toddlers. Infant & Toddler Studies skill certificate qualifies the student for the most entry-level teacher position within private infant/toddler programs. Infant/Toddler teachers are responsible for supervising the care and development of children birth through 2 ½ years old.

2. Provide a brief rationale for the program.

This Certificate is consistent with the mission and master plan of Los Angeles City College as stated in the mission statement: “Los Angeles City College offers post secondary lower division arts and sciences coursework, career and technical education, and essential skills classes designed to provide students with degrees, certificates, and fundamental skills,” this Certificate prepares student for an entry level position and provides some of the foundational courses for transfer degree, meeting two of the mission goals.

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3. Summarize the Labor Market Information (LMI) and employment outlook (including citation for the source of the data) for students exiting the program. (See PCAH pp. 85-88, 136, 147, 148, 165, 168, and 176)

According to the Los Angeles Impact Report (2016) education faces a number of challenges in meeting the needs of families, children, and employers in the county. Educational services demand will increase by 1.4% annually. The ECE industry plays an important role in supporting Los Angeles County’s existing labor force by sustaining labor participant parents and promoting career development and educational advancement. According to this source, nearly 51% of children in LA county are of need of child care. Without a strong, well trained ECE Workforce, the labor force would face great barriers in obtaining their career and educational goals. http://laedc.org/wp-content/uploads/2012/04/2011_TheNextDecade.pdf

Providing a Certificate of Achievement for Infant and Toddler Care for professional development is woefully needed. Infant Care is a costly expense for most families, with an annual cost of \$14,309 for each child. The Quality Rating and Improvement Systems have emerged across the county, a substantial recommendation including teacher qualifications. This Certificate of Achievement for Infant Toddler Care will further teacher qualifications. The early care and education workforce earn low wages. In California, child care professionals earn a median hourly wage of \$15.25/hr, compared to kindergarten teachers who earn a median wage of \$30.74. Teaching infants, toddlers and preschool age children requires an equivalent level of skills and knowledge, yet the pay is over 50% lower. A certificate creates a more educated worker, thus a higher wage. The report recommends to expand pathways and supports for the early care and education workforce to pursue a higher degree, and more education. www.childcare.lacounty.gov

4. List similar programs at other colleges in the Los Angeles and Orange County Region which may be adversely impacted. (There is space for 10 listings, if you need more, please contact laocrc@rscdd.edu)

College	Program	Who You Contacted	Outcome of Contact
Cerritos College	Infant/Toddler Certificate	Susan Gradin	No response
East Los Angeles College	Infant/Toddler Certificate	Michelle Benjamin	No adverse effects
Fullerton College	Infant/Toddler Certificate	Tom Chiaromonte	No response
Glendale Community College	Infant/Toddler Certificate	Deborah Owens	No adverse effects No response
Irvine Valley College	Infant/Toddler Certificate	Traci Fahimi	No response
LA Mission College	Infant/Toddler Certificate	Janice Silver	No adverse effects
LA Pierce College	Infant/Toddler Certificate	Patricia Doelitzsch	No adverse effects
LA Southwest	Infant/Toddler Certificate	La Shawn Brinson	No response
LA Valley	Infant/Toddler Certificate	Elmira Baghasarians	No response
Mt. San Antonio College	Infant/Toddler Certificate	Anthony Henry	No adverse effects
Orange Coast College	Infant/Toddler Certificate	Chaiyakal, Jennifer	No response
Pasadena City College	Infant/Toddler Certificate	Stroud, Linda	No adverse effects
Saddleback College	Infant/Toddler Certificate	June Millovich	No adverse effects
Santa Ana College	Infant/Toddler Certificate	Michelle Hardy	No response
Santiago Canyon College	Infant/Toddler Certificate	<u>Dr. Regina Lamourelle</u>	No response

5. List all courses required for program completion, including core requirements, restricted electives and prerequisites. (There is space for 20 listings, if you need more, please contact laocrc@rscdd.edu). (See PCAH pp. 143 and 171)

Courses	Course Number	Course Title	Units
Child Growth and Development	CD 1	Child Growth and Development	3
Home, School, and Community Relations	CD11	Home, School, and Community Relations	3
Observing and Recording Children's Behavior	CD 34	Observing and Recording Children's Behavior	3
Infant and Toddler Studies I	CD30	Infant and Toddler Studies I	3
Infant and Toddler Studies II	CD 31	Infant and Toddler Studies II	3
Health, Safety, and Nutrition	CD 10	Health, Safety, and Nutrition	3
Intermediate Reading and Composition	Eng 28	Intermediate Reading and Composition	3
Writing Laboratory	Eng 67	Writing Laboratory	0.5

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6. Include any other information you would like to share.