Program Overview

The Liberal Studies Child Development major prepares individuals to make a difference in the lives of children and families. Course work and practical experiences help students interpret and integrate the ever-growing body of knowledge about children and their environments. Special attention is given to examining the implications of theories, research, practices, and policies.

The program is uniquely designed to provide flexibility for both transfer and non-transfer students. Students take a set of core courses that cover principles, theories, and practices for working with children, from conception through adolescence, and their families. After completing the core classes, students work with their advisors to create individualized programs that support their interests and professional development and provide a strong foundation for continued education.

Why HSU?

• Core courses provide a comprehensive integration of knowledge about children’s development, family relations, and the processes of learning and socialization.
• Classes bring together students who will work as professionals in different roles providing the opportunity to learn collaboration skills.
• On- and off-campus experiences provide opportunities for students to work with children in supportive environments; they receive feedback and engage in reflection on their experiences preparing for a variety of professional roles.
• Course work beyond the core specifically addresses students’ educational and professional goals.
• Instruction includes many practical activities, collaborative and individualized projects, use of technology, opportunities for service learning, observations of and interactions with children, and interactive learning in the college classroom.
• Faculty members work closely with students, involving them in professional activities and research projects, and providing regular meetings for advising and consultation.
• Our program is specifically designed to help students connect with peers in the department and related departments, the faculty, the campus and the local community.

Liberal Studies B.A.
Child Development
Child Development / Elementary Education

Minors
American Indian Education
American Sign Language & Special Populations
Early Childhood Development
Family Studies

Related Careers
After School Programs
Child Abuse Prevention
Child Advocate
Child Care Consulting
Curriculum Specialist
Child/Family Services
Early Childhood Education
Early Childhood Special Education
Early Intervention
Elementary Education
Licensing
Parent Education
Public Policy Analysis
Recreation
Research
Resource and Referral
Social Services
Speech Pathology
Youth Services

Some of the careers listed may require additional or specialized coursework.

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