

CHILD DEVELOPMENT BS/ CHILD & ADOLESCENT DEVELOPMENT MS PATHWAY

Program Not Available for 2023-24

The Child Development BS/Child & Adolescent Development MS Pathway program is designed as an accelerated four-year BS plus one year MS program at La Verne. This track is designed for students planning administrative careers in early childhood education in public or private schools, and/or social service agencies. The BS coursework focuses on studies of the growth and development of children, as well as administrative requirements in relation to the family, school, and community. The MS coursework focuses on brain development, cognition, attachment, and research in Child Development.

The Pathway Program requires a 3.0 GPA (maintained throughout the program), a writing assessment, and a face-to-face interview with the program chair. Semester advising appointments are required throughout the first four years to monitor GPA requirements. Students who do not progress according to the requirements of the accelerated program may be counseled into the traditional Child Development BS program.

Advancement in the Child Development BS/Child & Adolescent Development MS Pathway program will be determined by an interview, writing sample, current GPA, and recommendation from the BS program chair. All students in the Child Development BS/Child & Adolescent Development MS Pathway program must obtain cleared fingerprints (Dept. of Justice, Federal Bureau of Investigation, and the California Child Abuse Index) through the Fairplex Child Development Center. A record of current immunizations must be on file. Be advised it is recommended students declare themselves as a Child Development major by the end of their freshman year.