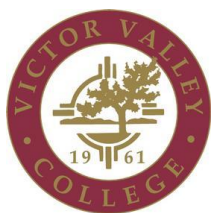


# Level I: Associate Teacher (Pre-School) Certificate



## CATALOG 2021-22

GE Pattern: none  
 Total Units: 19 Units  
 Program Code: [CHILD1.CERT](#)

### Potential Career Options

Possible employment includes:

- Teacher Assistants
- Recreation Worker
- Childcare Workers
- Nannies

**Average Salary Information**  
 \$28,773 Annually

### STUDENT SUCCESS TEAM SUPPORT

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### EXPLANATION OF CATEGORIES

<b>Req</b>	Required Core	A course that is required for this degree
<b>GE</b>	General Education	A course that fulfills a specific general education requirement for this degree, which can be replaced with another course that meets the same requirement
<b>RE</b>	Restricted Elective	A course selected from a list of elective courses specified for this degree in the course list in the catalog, which can be replaced with another course from the same list
<b>Elec</b>	Elective	A degree-applicable course that is part of a degree roadmap to ensure that there is a total of at least 60 units, which is a requirement for an associate degree

### Year 1, Semester 1

**Total: 10.0**

Category	Course	Title	GE Area	Unit
Req	CHDV 100	Child Growth & Development		3.0
Req	CHDV 110	Principles and Practices of Teaching Young Children		3.0
Req	ENGL 101.0	English Composition and Reading		4.0

### Year 1, Semester 2

**Total: 9.0**

Category	Course	Title	GE Area	Unit
Req	CHDV 106	Child, Family, and Community		3.0
Req	CHDV 142	Child Health, Safety, and Nutrition		3.0
Req	CHDV 150	Introduction to Curriculum		3.0

### Year 2, Semester 1

*Optional for Permit Only*

**Total: 6.0**

Students can apply for a state permit if they have work experience in this career field. Verification of experience is not required for the certificate issued by Victor Valley College.

To be eligible for the Child Development state permit (Associate Teacher), students must have 50 days of work experience, which can include unpaid volunteer experience, within the past 2 years. A day of experience is equal to a minimum of three hours and is not cumulative. For example, if a student works less than three hours, then the day does not count. If the student works more than 3 hours on a single day, then the student is credited for one day (regardless of the number of hours worked). To verify work experience, students can select option A or B.

#### **Option A** (for students working in the field)

Complete a Verification of Experience Form. This form must be submitted with the Permit Application. Contact Heather Hammond-Williams, in the Child Development office, via email at [heather.williams@vvc.edu](mailto:heather.williams@vvc.edu) for assistance.

#### **Option B** (for students with no work experience in the field)

Students can complete this requirement with volunteer experience, please see the Child Development office for details. Otherwise, students may complete the following courses to gain experience in the field. Additional follow-up with the Child Development office is preferable to ensure requirements are being met.

Category	Course	Title	GE Area	Unit
Req	CHDV 210	Practicum		4.0
Req	CHDV 130	Coop Ed Child Development		3.0

Not Quite Ready? Please see a counselor to create an education plan that is customized to meet your needs.