

Process and Procedures for the Early Childhood Education Reciprocity Agreement*

1. The Consortium will consist of the following participating colleges: Chabot College, Las Positas College, Merritt College and Ohlone College.
2. Students can complete any of the four (4) core Early Childhood Education courses and/or the practicum at any participating college. Any other participating college will accept these course/s to meet both Certificate and Associate Degree requirements in Early Childhood Education (or similarly titled major within this discipline), provided that the following conditions are met:
 - a. See attached Addendum A for listing of courses included in this agreement. Practicum at Ohlone College is excluded from this agreement.
 - b. Official transcripts from a participating college reflect successful completion with a grade of "C" or better of a course to be used in this reciprocity agreement
 - c. The courses used in this agreement are part of the Early Childhood requirements, as published by the participating colleges that are in effect on the day that this agreement begins, or any time thereafter.
3. Courses taken prior to implementation of this agreement may be used to meet the requirements in effect at any of the participating colleges (unless a participating college has internal policies restricting such use).
4. The courses designated for use in this agreement will be those in existence when this agreement is implemented.
5. This agreement will be in effect at the beginning of the first academic semester after all participating colleges' have signed this agreement.
6. This agreement will be evaluated every three (3) years beginning three years after its first year of implementation. The evaluation will be conducted by a joint meeting of all member colleges' Early Childhood Education Chairpersons and other persons so designated by the individual colleges.
7. After implementation of this agreement, participating colleges which change their course outlines, course names or in any other way change or alter the agreed upon courses, may submit the proposed changes to the other participating colleges' Early Childhood Education Chairpersons or representative to determine whether the proposed changes would alter the agreement. (This provision is not for the purpose of approving/disapproving another member's course, but rather for members to know what another college is proposing so the reviewing institutions can decide whether they want the course to remain in this agreement).
8. A participating college may elect to remove one or more courses from the agreement without making the agreement null and void. This removal would be at the beginning of the next academic year.

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9. Non-participating community colleges can become participating members by submitting course outlines (referred to in Addendum A) and obtaining approval at their college. Their participation will commence at the beginning of the first academic year following acceptance by the consortium.
10. Member colleges may leave the consortium at any time. Should a member college withdraw from this agreement the withdrawal will go into effect at the beginning of the next academic year.
11. Changes to this agreement will be by majority vote of the member colleges' Early Childhood Education Chairperson or their designated representatives and in consultation with the college articulation officer.
12. This agreement does not abridge any policies between colleges within a multi-campus district governing these issues.

*Members include: Chabot, Las Positas, Merritt, and Ohlone Colleges

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Chabot College Representative	Date

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Las Positas College Representative	Date

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Merritt College Representative	Date

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Ohlone College Representative	Date

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Addendum A

Area	Chabot	Las Positas	Merritt	Ohlone
Introduction	ECD 50	ECD 50	CHDEV 50	ECS 300
Human Growth & Development	ECD 51	ECD 51	CHDEV 51	ECS 301
Child, Family and Community	ECD 62	ECD 62	CHDEV 53	ECS 303
Curriculum	ECD 63	ECD 63	CHDEV 54B	ECS 302
Practicum	ECD 90	ECD 90	CHDEV 55 A-B	

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