Program Proposal
Form B

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Title of the Program:
Child Development – Concentration in Early Development, Care, and Education (EDCE)

Type of Program Proposal:

- [ ] Modification in Existing Program:
  - [ ] Substantive Change
  - [ ] Non-Substantive Change
  - [ ] Deletion of Existing Program

- [X] New Programs
  - [ ] Initiation (Projection) of New Program on to Master Plan
  - [ ] New Degree Programs
    - [ ] Regular Process
    - [ ] Fast Track Process
    - [X] Pilot Process
  - [X] New Minor, Concentration, Option, Specialization, Emphasis
  - [ ] New Certificate Program

PLEASE NOTE: Form B is to be used only as a Cover Form. Additional information is requested for each of the above as noted in the corresponding procedure in the Policies and Procedures for Initiation, Modification, Review and Approval of Courses and Academic Programs found at http://www.csus.edu/acaf/univmanual/index.htm

**Briefly describe the program proposal (new or change) and provide a justification.**

The proposed program modification makes a significant change to the existing Child Development Major A. This proposal is within the context of a major overall program revision in which we propose a move from a broad and unbounded choice of electives to a more formal set of concentrations within the major. First, we propose the addition of a new research-based course in observation and assessment to be included in the program requirements (new course is proposed and in the process of approval). This new course fulfills a programmatic need for many students going into child-related work settings.

Second, we propose modifying the current biology foundation requirement from a program requirement to program prerequisite. While we feel strongly that Child Development majors must have a course in biology, most students already fulfill the Biology requirement as part of General Education.

Third, we propose to change our fieldwork course (CHDV 132) from 2 units to 3 units.

Fourth, we propose the creation of a new concentration – “Child Development – Concentration in Early Development, Care and Education (EDCE).” We have recently developed the CCE-based EDCE (Early Development Care and Education) program for working professionals. One of the new options within the major would replicate this option for our campus CSUS students. Community and campus sources have indicated a need for a structured program such as this, and providing it as a formal option will give our program greater visibility to those seeking this program, and better guidance to those who might seek the new “early learning credential” that is currently under development in California.

The creation of such concentrations is needed because CHDV currently has a very long list (~ 70 classes)
of electives. While they are organized in “emphases,” students still report being confused by the many options.

Creation of formal concentrations would:
1) Reduce the confusion for students as to the purposes of our programs, and
2) Decrease the advising burden on faculty advisors, as the programs would be much more clearly delineated for students and faculty.
3) Make a better program of study, more effectively guiding students to career or further educational goals, rather than just choosing an assortment of classes that will count whether or not it has anything to do with these goals.

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Proposed Child Development – Concentration in Early Development, Care, and Education

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| None | **Program Prerequisite or Requirement:**
(0) General Education Biology (Program prerequisite) |
| **Foundation:**
(3) CHDV 30 or 35
(3-4) BIO 5, 7, 10 or 20
(3) FACS 50
(3) CHDV 133 | **Foundation:**
(3) CHDV 30 or 35
(3) FACS 50
(3) CHDV 123
(3) CHDV 133 |
| **Core:**
(3) CHDV 131
(3) CHDV 135
(4) CHDV 137
(4) CHDV 138
(2) CHDV 132
(3) FACS 154
(3) CHDV 136 or FACS 108 | **Core:**
(3) CHDV 131
(3) CHDV 135
(4) CHDV 137
(4) CHDV 138
(3) CHDV 132
(3) FACS 154
(3) CHDV 136 or FACS 108 |
| **Electives:**
14 - 15 units of electives | **Electives:**
(14 - 15) units electives chosen from Electives List A. |
| Total units: 48 – 50 | Total units: 49 – 50 |