

# CHILD DEVELOPMENT

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***"The proper time to influence the character of a child is about a hundred years before he is born."***

***Dean Inge***

Quality childcare is an urgent need in California and across the nation. Recent research has brought the importance of the early years in a child's development to the forefront of public awareness.

The Mt. SAC Child Development Program offers an excellent foundation in the core competencies essential to a career working with infants, families, and young children. The many certificate programs provide a basis for entry into the field or transfer to a four-year program. Make a difference in the life of a child by pursuing a career in this exciting and profoundly rewarding and important profession.

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Child Development Website (<http://www.mtsac.edu/childdevelopment>)