

# BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN CHILD DEVELOPMENT (PRE-OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY)

**Web Site:** <https://twu.edu/human-sciences/undergraduate-programs/child-development/>

The Pre-Occupational Therapy track of the Child Development degree is designed to prepare students for a graduate program in occupational therapy (OT) or other allied health fields. Students graduate with a B.S. in Child Development and will be prepared for a variety of careers serving the needs of children and families. The degree does not include coursework in occupational therapy, but the degree plan includes the pre-requisite courses to be eligible to apply to a graduate OT program.

## Marketable Skills

Defined by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board's 60x30 Strategic Plan (<https://reportcenter.highered.texas.gov/agency-publication/miscellaneous/the60x30-strategic-plan/>) as, "Those skills valued by employers that can be applied in a variety of work settings, including interpersonal, cognitive, and applied skills areas. These skills can be either primary or complementary to a major and are acquired by students through education, including curricular, co-curricular, and extracurricular activities."

1. Design developmentally appropriate activities for children.
2. Developmental assessment skills.
3. Written communication skills.
4. Interpersonal skills.

## Admissions

All applicants must meet the general undergraduate admission requirements (<https://catalog.twu.edu/undergraduate/admission-information/>).

## Degree Requirements

**Total Semester Credit Hours (SCH): 120**

**Major:** 55 SCH

**Program Code:** CHLDDEV.BS.OT; **CIP Code:** 19.0706.00

### Texas Core Curriculum

Code	Title	SCHs
ENG 1013	Composition I (10)	3
ENG 1023	Composition II (10)	3
Mathematics (20)		3
Life & Physical Sciences (30)		6
Language, Philosophy, & Culture (40)		3
Creative Arts (50)		3
HIST 1013	History of the United States, 1492-1865 (60)	3
HIST 1023	History of the United States, 1865 to the Present (60)	3
POLS 2013	U.S. National Government (70)	3
POLS 2023	Texas Government (70)	3
Social & Behavioral Sciences (80)		3

CAO: Multicultural-Women's Studies (90)	3
CAO: First Year Seminar, Wellness or Mathematics (91)	3
<b>Total SCHs</b>	<b>42</b>

### Courses Required for Major

Code	Title	SCHs
<b>Lower Level Courses</b>		
HDFS 1001	Seminar in Family Sciences (Take in first or second semester)	1
HDFS 1513	Human Development	3
HDFS 2503	Development of Infants and Toddlers	3
HDFS 2513	Early Childhood Development	3
HDFS 2523	Wellness of the Young Child	3
HDFS 2563	Childhood Guidance	3
Choice of 3 additional HDFS courses		9
<b>Upper Level Courses</b>		
HDFS 3423	Play and Development in Early Childhood	3
HDFS 3513	Childhood and Adolescence	3
HDFS 3523	The Care and Education of Children: A Global Perspective	3
HDFS 3533	Research Methods in Family Sciences	3
HDFS 4923	Professional Development in Family Sciences (Grade of "B" or higher required)	3
HDFS 4943	Practicum in Family Sciences (Last semester. Grade of "B" or higher required)	3
Choose 4 courses from the following list:		12
HDFS 3613	Crisis in the American Family	
HDFS 4103	Issues and Trends in Family Sciences	
HDFS 4533	Communication and the Family	
HDFS 4583	Parenting Issues and Education	
HDFS 4803	Public Policy: Family Sciences Perspectives	
SOWK 3453	Children's Rights and Services	
SOWK 3513	Culturally Competent Practice	
<b>Total SCHs</b>		<b>55</b>

### Departmental Requirements

Code	Title	SCHs
KINS 3623	Scientific Foundations of Human Movement	3
MATH 1703	Elementary Statistics I (meets required Mathematics core option)	3
PSY 1013	Introduction to General Psychology (meets required Social & Behavioral Sciences core option)	3
PSY 2513	Abnormal Psychology	3
ZOOL 2013 & ZOOL 2011	Human Anatomy and Physiology I and Human Anatomy and Physiology I Laboratory (meets required Life & Physical Sciences core option)	4
ZOOL 2023 & ZOOL 2021	Human Anatomy and Physiology II and Human Anatomy and Physiology II Laboratory (meets required Life & Physical Sciences core option)	4
HS 3033	Medical Terminology	3

Electives (0-13 hours)	
<b>Total SCHs</b>	<b>23</b>

## Recommended Plan of Study

### First Year

Fall		TCCN	SCHs
UNIV 1231	Learning Frameworks: First-Year Seminar	EDUC 1100, EDUC 1200, EDUC 1300	1
HDFS 1001	Seminar in Family Sciences		1
HDFS 1513	Human Development		3
ENG 1013	Composition I	ENGL 1301	3
HIST 1013	History of the United States, 1492-1865	HIST 1301	3
Wellness Core			2
<b>SCHs</b>			<b>13</b>

Spring		TCCN	
ENG 1023	Composition II	ENGL 1302	3
HIST 1023	History of the United States, 1865 to the Present	HIST 1302	3
PSY 1013	Introduction to General Psychology	PSYC 2301	3
MATH 1703	Elementary Statistics I	MATH 1342	3
HDFS 2503	Development of Infants and Toddlers		3
<b>SCHs</b>			<b>15</b>

### Second Year

Fall		TCCN	
POLS 2013	U.S. National Government	GOVT 2305	3
ZOOL 2013 & ZOOL 2011	Human Anatomy and Physiology I and Human Anatomy and Physiology I Laboratory	BIOL 2401 & BIOL 2101	4
Language, Philosophy, and Culture Core			3
HDFS 2513	Early Childhood Development	TECA 1354	3
HDFS Lower Level Choice			3
<b>SCHs</b>			<b>16</b>

Spring		TCCN	
ZOOL 2023 & ZOOL 2021	Human Anatomy and Physiology II and Human Anatomy and Physiology II Laboratory	BIOL 2402 & BIOL 2102	4
POLS 2023	Texas Government	GOVT 2306	3
PSY 2513	Abnormal Psychology	PSYC 2320	3
HDFS 2563	Childhood Guidance		3
HDFS Lower Level Choice			3
<b>SCHs</b>			<b>16</b>

### Third Year

Fall		TCCN	
KINS 3623	Scientific Foundations of Human Movement		3
HDFS Lower Level Choice			3
HDFS 2523	Wellness of the Young Child	TECA 1318	3
HDFS 3533	Research Methods in Family Sciences		3
HDFS 3613	Crisis in the American Family		3
<b>SCHs</b>			<b>15</b>

Spring		TCCN	
HDFS 3513	Childhood and Adolescence		3
HS 3033	Medical Terminology		3
HDFS 3523	The Care and Education of Children: A Global Perspective		3
HDFS 4533	Communication and the Family		3
Elective			3
<b>SCHs</b>			<b>15</b>

### Fourth Year

Fall		TCCN	
HDFS 3423	Play and Development in Early Childhood		3
HDFS 4803	Public Policy: Family Sciences Perspectives		3
HDFS 4923	Professional Development in Family Sciences		3
Multicultural Women's Studies Core			3
Elective			3
<b>SCHs</b>			<b>15</b>

Spring		TCCN	
Creative Arts Core			3
HDFS 4583	Parenting Issues and Education		3
HDFS 4943	Practicum in Family Sciences		3
Electives			6
<b>SCHs</b>			<b>15</b>
<b>Total SCHs:</b>			<b>120</b>

\* Please note that this plan of study does not include summer semesters. Students can reduce the number of courses taken in Fall and Spring if they opt to take courses in the summer.