

SUPPLEMENTAL APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION
Masters of Arts in Child Development
(Return to the Graduate Coordinator, Child Development Graduate Program,
BRH 135, 6000 J Street, Sacramento, CA 95819-6139)

The M.A., Child Development has two possible emphases: a) Theory and Research, b) Applied Settings. For which emphasis are you applying? _____

1. Background Information:

Name: _____ SSN: _____
 Address: _____ City: _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Email: _____
 Undergraduate major: _____ Year awarded: _____
 University awarding your degree: _____

Part-time students enroll in 6 or fewer units per semester. Full-time students enroll in more than 6 units per semester. Do you plan to enroll for full- or part-time study? _____

English Assessment Requirement for the MA-CHDV program – you must have completed one of these:

- a. passed CSUS WPE: date _____
- b. passed upper level composition course: semester _____ course _____ grade _____
- c. passed TOEFL: score _____

Have you submitted the CSU Graduate Application form to the Office of Graduate Studies (required for admission to this program)? Y N Date submitted: _____

(NOTE: Both the Office of Graduate Studies and the Department application files must be *complete* by 10/1 for Spring admission or 3/1 for Fall admission)

2. **References:** List the names of two persons (including **at least** one professional or academic reference) who know your academic and personal qualifications, and from whom you have requested letters of reference in support of this application. (Note Letter of Recommendation form on next page. Distribute to those from whom you request letters.)

Name	Address	Position
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3. **Statement of purpose:** On a separate sheet of paper, please explain why you wish to be admitted to the CHDV graduate program. Include references to such topics as past experiences, accomplishments, and academic and vocational goals. Discuss the strengths, skills, and experiences that you will bring to the program, and any relevant awards and honors. Moreover, list up to three specific areas of child development that you may be interested in exploring further in this program. You are encouraged to review, but are not limited to, the faculty research and teaching interests on the CSUS Child Development website. This statement will be carefully reviewed by the admissions committee. Your statement should be approximately 500 words.

4. **Academic record:** Submit transcripts of all college-level courses (copies of unofficial transcripts are acceptable).

**LETTER IN SUPPORT OF APPLICATION FOR GRADUATE ADMISSION
MASTERS OF ARTS IN CHILD DEVELOPMENT**

Must be **RECEIVED** by 10/1 for Spring admission or 3/1 for Fall admission

Applicant name (Last, first): _____

Date of anticipated enrollment: Fall Spring 20__

Applicant: Initial the line corresponding to your request.

I waive my right to inspect this recommendation when completed and understand that it will remain confidential.

I do not waive my right to review this document.

(Applicant should complete the above line and give this form to a person well acquainted with the applicant's education and abilities.)

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To the writer of this recommendation:

We are particularly interested in the applicant's intellectual curiosity, and his/her motivation and ability to engage in advanced study and research and pursue a successful career in Child Development. In your letter, please address the personal and professional qualities of the applicant that may play a role in his/her success as a student and professional. Include such information as the nature of your relationship, how long you have been acquainted with the applicant, and his/her strengths and weaknesses relevant to pursuing graduate study. Further, please indicate your assessment of the applicant's motivation and intellectual curiosity. Please attach a separate page to write your appraisal and mail directly to Graduate Coordinator, Child Development Graduate Program, 6000 J Street, Sacramento, California 95819-6139 (include this signed form with your letter). The applicant's letter will not be reviewed without this cover sheet attached.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Printed Name: _____

Address: _____

Position/Title: _____