

BCD Field Requirements

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Honours Bachelor of Child Development (BCD) | Student Program Information

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Field placement is central to the learning experience. You will have the opportunity to integrate classroom learning into practice with groups of children and families within the

community. You will have four different field placement experiences throughout the program.

This program also includes a **Work-Integrated Learning (WIL)** component, starting in semester 6. Students must complete 14 weeks and 420 hours.

Field Placement

BCD200: Preschool Placement

Field placement gives students the opportunity to practice what they have learned in the ECE program. Students will plan, implement, and evaluate play-based, inclusive, emergent curriculum experiences for preschool children.

Attendance in a field placement preparation seminar in week 1 is a requirement.

Setting:	Child Care Setting with preschool children.
Commitment:	One (1) day per week, (8 hours per day, including 1 hour lunch)
Placement start:	Week 2 of the semester
Placement ends:	Week 13 of the semester

BCD300: Infant and Toddler Placement

- Pre-req: BCD104
- Co-req: BCD306

Students will be placed in sites where they will be able to integrate learning from all their classes. They will have the opportunity to practice skills required for the care and teaching of children birth to 3 years.

Attendance in a field placement preparation seminar in week 1 is a requirement.

Setting:	Child Care Setting with children between the ages of birth and 3 years old
Commitment:	One (1) day per week, (8 hours per day, including 1 hour lunch)
Placement start:	Week 3 of the semester
Placement ends:	Week 13 of the semester

BCD400: Kindergarten to Grade 3 Placement

- Pre-req: BCD200, BCD300
- Co-req: BCD406

Attendance in a field placement preparation seminar in week 1 is a requirement.

Setting:	Publicly Funded School Setting JK, SK, grade 1, 2, or 3
Commitment:	One (1) day per week, (8 hours per day, including 1 hour lunch)

Placement start:	Week 3 of the semester <i>Starting in Fall 2025 - Week 2 of the semester</i>
Placement ends:	Week 13 of the semester

BCD500: Community Placement

- Pre-req: BCD200, BCD300, BCD400

Students will be integrating practical skills and knowledge in community settings. This experience focuses on developing a solid foundation for professional practice with children, families, communities, and colleagues in community settings.

Attendance in a field placement preparation seminar in week 1 is a requirement.

Setting:	Community Setting
Commitment:	One (1) day per week or two (2) half-days per week (6-8 total hours per week)
Placement start:	Week 3 of the semester
Placement ends:	Week 13 of the semester