



[CHILD.ADV.AA; CIP Code 13.1011]

**Associate in Arts (A.A.) – Career**

This program will prepare students to advocate for the rights of children by entering the workforce with an A.A. degree. Students in the program learn about vulnerable conditions that have negative consequences on children and adolescents such as disease, substance abuse, domestic violence, child abuse and neglect. This multidisciplinary approach will offer students with a distinctive educational perspective with which to navigate the intricacies of the public child welfare system and beyond.

**Program Learning Outcomes**

- Recognize and explain a particular understanding of the intricacies of the public child welfare system
- Identify and describe competencies in knowledge, methods, and applications needed for career and professional development in the field of child advocacy.
- To apply and demonstrate knowledge through field work experience in settings such as the office of DCP&P, Child Advocacy centers, Residential Treatment facilities, the Juvenile Justice System, just to name a few.
- To recognize, evaluate, and plan treatment of specific cases of child abuse and neglect in the field of child advocacy.
- To define, explain, and analyze the family unit culturally and identify the needs of that family system.
- To compare and contrast different multidisciplinary and interdisciplinary approaches in child advocacy.
- Access the program to individuals living in the central and southern regions of New Jersey through a distance learning component.

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# Child Advocacy, A.A.

**FIRST YEAR - Fall Semester**

<input type="checkbox"/> EN 101 English Composition I	3
<input type="checkbox"/> CA 101 Introduction to Child Advocacy	3
<input type="checkbox"/> SO 201 Introduction to Sociology	3
<input type="checkbox"/> CA 102 The Ecological System and the Developing Child	3
<input type="checkbox"/> CS 110 Technology Literacy	2
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**Spring Semester**

<input type="checkbox"/> EN 102 English Composition II	3
<input type="checkbox"/> CA 103 Cultural Competencies in Child Welfare	3
<input type="checkbox"/> PY 101 General Psychology	3
<input type="checkbox"/> General Education Humanities Elective	3
<input type="checkbox"/> General Education Mathematics Elective (excluding MA115)	3
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**SECOND YEAR - Fall Semester**

<input type="checkbox"/> SP 203 Effective Speech	3
<input type="checkbox"/> HI 101 Western Civilization or HI 102 Western Civilization II	3
<input type="checkbox"/> BI 108 Human Biology	4
<input type="checkbox"/> CA 104 Children and Justice	3
<input type="checkbox"/> MA 205 Statistics I	3
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**Spring Semester**

<input type="checkbox"/> CS 101 Introduction to Microcomputers or CS 102 Applications on the Microcomputer	3
<input type="checkbox"/> General Education Diversity Elective (GE 101 World Geography or GE 102 Cultural Geography suggested)	3
<input type="checkbox"/> HI 201 US History I or US History II	3
<input type="checkbox"/> General Education Humanities Elective (AR101 recommended)	3
<input type="checkbox"/> CA 105 Child Advocacy Field Work	3
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**TOTAL CREDITS: 60**