

THEORIA TECHNICAL COLLEGE

# *National* Credentialing with Theoria Technical College

*Get a head start by attending these classes!*

A training partnership was awarded to Theoria Technical College following a quality review of their training and student services by the Council for Professional Recognition (the Council). The partnership is part of the Council's early childhood education effort to help CDA course students find the high-quality training and student services they need in preparation for the CDA exam and a career as early childhood educators.

Students completing ECE/CDA courses with Theoria Technical College can apply to use those course to qualify for the CDA's National Credential recognized nation-wide.



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# PREPARE YOURSELF

*Don't Miss This Opportunity!*

## How to obtain your CDA Credential through Theoria Technical College.

There are six steps to receiving the CDA Credential through Theoria, a proud partner of the CDA,

**Step 1** Theoria Technical College's curriculum fulfills the first step of having 120 hours of education in the eight CDA subject areas. The subject areas are as follows:

- Planning a safe and healthy learning environment
- Advancing children's physical and intellectual development
- Supporting children's social and emotional development
- Building productive relationships with families
- Managing an effective program operation
- Maintaining a commitment to professionalism
- Observing and recording children's behavior
- Understanding the principles of child development and learning

The following Theoria Technical College courses will fulfill this:

- ECE/CDA-100 Child Growth and Development
- ECE/CDA-200 Child, Family & Community
- ECE/CDA-300 Program Curriculum Theories, Methods, & Materials
- ECE/CDA-310 S.T.E.M. for Preschool ECE/CDA-400 Infant Toddler Development & Care
- ECE/CDA-500 Early Childhood Program Administration & Management
- ECE/CDA-510 Adult Supervision & Leadership
- ECE/CDA-600 Preventive Health, Safety, & Nutrition with Pediatric First-Aid & CPR.

**Step 2** The practicum requirements of each ECE/CDA class contribute to the fulfillment of the second requirement, which is having 480 hours of experience working professionally. However, the practicum required for Theoria's courses alone may not necessarily fulfill the entire 480 hours, so the candidate must be sure to have the entire 480 hours of experience completed within 3 years after applying for CDA.

**Step 3** The candidate will compile a Professional Portfolio which includes verification of education (your Theoria Transcripts), family questionnaires, and CDA® Assessor recommendation.

**Step 4** Once the candidate has finished the 480 hours of experience and compiled their Professional Portfolios, the candidate can look to Theoria's faculty to find a Home Visit CDA Professional Development Specialist (CDAPDS) for the CDA Verification Visit. The candidate will send to the Council an enrollment application for the CDA program and pay the CDA application fee. Once this is completed and the application and fee have been processed, the candidate will receive approval that the application is complete, and the fee has been processed.

**Step 5** The Verification Visit will be conducted by the candidate's chosen CDAPDS. The candidate will also take a CDA Exam at a local PearsonVUE testing center.

**Step 6** After the candidate has completed the CDA Verification Visit, the CDAPDS will submit the Verification Visit scores to the Council. Once the CDA Exam is completed, Pearson VUE sends the scores to the Council. Once the Council has received the scores from both, the Council will make the final decision on whether or not to award the CDA Credential.

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