# Careers that Support Children and Families

## EDUCATIONAL SETTINGS
- Elementary School Teacher
- High School Teacher
- Special Education Teacher
- Preschool Teacher
- Bilingual Teacher
- Infant/Toddler Teacher
- School Principal or Superintendent
- School Psychologist
- Speech & Language Therapist
- Reading Specialist
- Occupational Therapist
- School Nurse
- School Dietician
- PE or Music Teacher
- Montessori Teacher
- Curriculum Consultant

## DAYCARE SETTINGS
- Family Childcare Provider
- Head Start Teacher
- Parent Liaison
- Afterschool daycare
- Nanny

## SOCIAL SERVICES
- Social Worker
- Researcher
- Governmental Agency Regulator
- Behavioral Consultant
- Family Specialist/Counselor
- Adoption Counselor

## COMMUNITY WORKERS
- Police Officer
- Probation Officer
- Librarian

## ADVOCACY
- Humanitarian Services
- Community Policy Development
- Fundraising
- School Board Member
- Family Lawyer

## THERAPEUTIC SETTINGS
- Child Psychiatrist
- Child Psychologist
- Marriage and Family Counselor
- Art Therapist
- Behavioral Analyst
- Play Therapist

## HEALTH CARE SETTINGS
- Pediatrician
- Midwife
- Public Health Nurse
- Pediatric nurse
- Child Life Specialist
- Midwife
- Occupational Therapist

## RECREATION
- Soccer or Swim Coach
- Gymnastics Teacher
- Cheerleading Coach
- Camp Counselor

## MARKETING & BUSINESS & ARTS
- Sales Rep for Children’s Toys
- Market Researcher
- Software Developer
- Entertainer for Children
- Children’s Book Authors
- Children’s TV Writers

And of course, to be a well-informed mom, dad, auntie or uncle
## Career Ideas for Child & Adolescent Development Major

The Child and Adolescent Development major provides broad undergraduate preparation for careers working in a wide variety of settings with children, youth, and families from diverse backgrounds. Many of the career opportunities listed below require special preparation or additional education beyond a Bachelor’s Degree. You should discuss your goals with CAS faculty and academic advisors who will help you to plan your education appropriately. To make yourself more competitive upon graduation, make the most of your internships, work part time in your area of study, and develop marketable skills.

### With a Bachelor’s Degree

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