Postdoctoral Scholars Child Care Resources

(Adapted from the Students with Dependents Program Guide for 16-17 AY)
http://www.swd.ucla.edu/

Due to limited space and long waiting lists, parents with preschool age children are encouraged to call the preschool or child care program they are interested in prior to arrival at UCLA. The costs, eligibility criteria, quality, and philosophy vary for each program. With the exception of UCLA Early Care and Education, the Students with Dependents Program, the Bruin Resource Center, and UCLA do not endorse any of the following child care providers or schools. We offer this information as a courtesy to you. Please be sure to thoroughly research any schools/child care providers before choosing a child care facility or school for your child(ren).

UCLA Early Childhood Education

Currently, UCLA offers child care both on and off campus through the following three programs: Infant Development Program (IDP), University Parents Nursery School (UPNS), and UCLA Early Care and Education (ECE). UCLA Child Care provides excellent programs for children ages two months to six years. Call (310) 825-5086 or visit http://www.childcare.ucla.edu for more information.

UCLA Early Care and Education

- Contact Information: (310) 825-5086
- Operates three accredited (NAEYC) child care centers:
  - Krieger Center North and South (on campus)
  - University Village Center (off-campus)
- Open to students, staff, and faculty only; no application fee for students
- Full-time care only: available Mon – Fri 7:30am–5:30pm (year-round)
- Limited tuition assistance for low-income families available
- Care for infants (2 months) to kindergarten
- Developmental curriculum (learning through exploration) and science-based curriculum to foster critical thinking
- The ECE Application is available online at https://www.ece.ucla.edu/tuition/waiting-listapplication-tuition-assistance

UCLA Child Care Resource Program

UCLA parents are invited to attend a “Choosing Child Care” forum, held at noon on the first Monday of each month at the Bruin Resource Center (SAC, B44). If the first Monday of the month is a holiday, the forum will be held on the second Monday. Child Care Resource Program is a personalized service for UCLA families only. It provides child development information and off-campus resources to UCLA families. The program coordinator is in contact with Westside child care providers and a small number of caregivers who will come to your home.
UCLA Affiliated Child Care & Education

**UCLA Westwood Child Care Center-Bright Horizons**
10861 Weyburn Avenue Los Angeles, CA 90024
- [http://www.brighthorizons.com](http://www.brighthorizons.com)
- (310) 481-0664
- Mon–Fri 6:30am–6:30pm
- Infants to preschoolers
- NAEYC Accredited
- Accepts government subsidies with some limitations

**UCLA Parent’s Nursery School**
3233 S. Sepulveda Boulevard, Suite 200 Los Angeles, CA 90034-4205
- [www.upns.info](http://www.upns.info)
- (310) 397-2735
- Rachel Graves, Director
- A cooperative preschool that takes children from 2-5 years old
- Open to UCLA students, staff, and faculty only
- Housed in University Village on the Sepulveda side
- They have a full-day (7:30am–5:30pm), morning, and afternoon program, as well as a 3-5 days a week schedule

**UCLA Infant Development Program (IDP)**
UCLA Department of Psychology 1620 Franz Hall Los Angeles, CA 90095-1563
- [https://www.psych.ucla.edu/centersprograms/infant-development-program](https://www.psych.ucla.edu/centersprograms/infant-development-program)
- (310) 825-2896
- Two sites: Franz and Fernald
- The IDP has two primary functions: 1) To offer high quality group care for infants and toddlers of the students, staff, and faculty in the Psychology Department and other departments on the UCLA campus and 2) to serve as a teaching and research facility for the Psychology Department and UCLA community
- 3 months to 3 years of age
- Operates year-round from 7:30am–5:30pm, Mon–Fri
- Full-time care (Mon–Fri)
- Part-time care: 2-days (Tues, Thurs) or 3-days (Mon, Weds, Fri)

**UCLA Intervention Program**
- Support for children with special needs
- [http://www.uclainterventionprogram.org/](http://www.uclainterventionprogram.org/)
- In conjunction with Mattel Children’s Hospital, they provide educational and therapeutic services which promote development and quality of life for children and families
- Classes include: Infant Services (birth to 18 months), Toddler Program (18 to 36 months), Individual Physical Therapy, Let’s Get Movin’—A Parent-and-Me Movement Group, Pollywog Pool Play Program, Developmental-Behavioral Pediatrics Clinic
University Lab School
- Part of the UCLA Graduate School of Education & Information Studies: an innovative school for children ages 4-12
- http://www.labschool.ucla.edu/
- Classrooms and meeting spaces serve as a laboratory for exploring innovative ideas about teaching, learning, and child development

Additional Child Care Resources

UCLA Babysitters
Are you looking for a babysitter that has a background in developmental psychology and is a UCLA student? The Infant Development Program (IDP) and the Applied Developmental Program (ADP) has a list of highly qualified students minoring in ADP that can provide child care services. More information can be found here: http://www.psych.ucla.edu/center-andprograms/idp/babysitting-resources-andrequests

UrbanSitter Partnership with Students with Dependents (SwD) Program
Evening class or a paper due? Find last minute child care with a free trial from UrbanSitter through the SwD Program promotion code! Sign up now at http://www.urbansitter.com/promo/ucladependents
Get a free trial on UrbanSitter to find and book local babysitters recommended by other UCLA students and other friends in your social network.

Other Child Care and Preschools in the Neighborhood

Connections for Children
2701 Ocean Park Blvd., Suite 253 Santa Monica, CA 90405
- http://www.connectionsforchildren.org/
- (310) 452-3325
- Mon, Tues, Thurs & Fri 8am–5pm; Weds 8am–7pm
- Non-profit resource and referral agency for locating child care in the community
- Free resource that will locate all the child care centers, and home day care options in the area that are tailored to your specifications
  - Ex: teacher to student ratio, ages, hours of operation, location, philosophy, cost, etc.
- If you receive CalWORKs, connect with a Subsidy Programs Coordinator first
- If you are going to apply in person, call them first to find out what documents you need to bring!

Santa Monica Malibu Unified School District Child Development Services
Head Start
- California State Preschool Program
- (310) 399-5865
- SSMUSD Application: http://www.smmusd.org/CDS/PreEnrollApp.html
- They have over a dozen child development preschool facilities located throughout Santa Monica, for ages 2-5 years old
- Half-day or full-day services
- Some accept CalWORKs subsidies and offer sliding scale for low-income families
Los Angeles Universal Preschool (LAUP)
- Operates hundreds of preschools throughout Los Angeles for ages 3-5
- Accepts government subsidies and families from all income levels
- [http://www.laup.net](http://www.laup.net) or call toll-free at (866) 581-LAUP

Overland Head Start
3615 Overland Avenue Los Angeles, CA 90034
- Contact Allegra Miller at (310) 836-2340
- Operated through Volunteers of America
- Free half-day preschool for families that qualify
- 8–11:30am and 12:30–4pm Mon–Thurs, Fri (parent meetings and education)
- Ages 3 and 4 (must be age 3 by November 1st)

Mar Vista Gardens Head Start
11815 Allin St Culver City, CA 90230
- Contact Maria Avalos or Brenda Herrera (310) 482-3981
- Operated through Volunteers of America
- Full-day, 8am–3pm (4 year olds only)
- Half-day, 8–11:30am (4 years), 12:30–4pm (3 years old)

Head Start Programs in Los Angeles:
- [http://eclkc.ohs.acf.hhs.gov/hslc](http://eclkc.ohs.acf.hhs.gov/hslc)
- Each program is different
- Database can help you locate preschools in your community

Early Bird Learning Centers
1019 California Avenue Santa Monica, CA 90403
- (310) 395-3282

- Lisa Wilson, Director
- [http://www.earlybirdlearningcenters.com/](http://www.earlybirdlearningcenters.com/)
- 7:00am–6:30pm: 12 weeks to 6 years old (Infant to transitional kindergarten)

Westwood United Methodist Church Preschool
10497 Wilshire Blvd. Los Angeles, CA 90024
- (310) 474-8986
- Linda Bravin, Director
- [http://www.westwoodumc.org](http://www.westwoodumc.org)
- 2 years and 9 months-5 years
- Morning, afternoon, and full-day classes
- Developmental curriculum

St. John’s Presbyterian Nursery School
11000 National Blvd. Los Angeles, CA 90064
- (310) 477-0507
- Hanne Overbeck, Director
- Half-day program (3 hours)
- Ages 3 to 5 years old
- Offers a variety of programs ranging from 2 days a week to 5 days a week

Santa Monica YMCA
- (310) 451-7387
- Kellie Flemming, Director
- Ages 2 to 5 years old
- Limited financial aid available but must apply early!!
- Hours are 7:30am–6:00pm
- Call for a tour, no walk-ins permitted
The Children’s Place
235 Hill Street Santa Monica, CA 90405
- (310) 399-6405
- Full-day child care and preschool from 7:15am–5:45pm
- http://childrensplacepreschool.org
- 2.9 to 5 years old
- Developmental curriculum

Westwood Hills Preschool
1989 Westwood Blvd. Los Angeles, CA. 90025
- (310) 474-7398
- http://www.westwoodhillspreschool.com
- Ages two to five years
- Open year-round
- “Socially oriented program”
- 5 days a week program
- Tours last Thursday of the month, 10am

CHALK Preschool
2028 S. Westwood Blvd. Los Angeles, CA
- www.chalkpreschool.com
- (310) 446-5400
- Do not need to be toilet-trained
- Ages 2 to 6 years
- Open enrollment and year-round availability
- 2, 3, or 5 days a week programs and full-day program (7:30am–5:30pm)
- Arts education curriculum

Culver City Child Development
- Preschool ages 3-5
- Full and part-day options
- K-5 Full-day available 7am-6pm
- http://ocd.ccusd.org/
- Sliding scale fee payment options

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Child Care Related Resources

- CareLuLu.com: Search tool for detailed information about licensed child care providers. Searchable by languages spoken, operating hours, location and more
- Sitter City: Provides referrals for child care needs http://www.sittercity.com/
- Zero to Three - http://www.zerotothree.org
- National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) - http://www.naeyc.org
- California Association for the Education of Young Children (CAEYC) - http://www.caeyc.org
- Community Care Licensing Division - http://www.ccld.ca.gov