Course Syllabus

Curriculum Resources for Early Childhood Programs
CDEC 1313

Course Description: A study of the fundamentals of developmentally appropriate curriculum design and implementation in early care and education programs for children birth through age eight.

Semester Hours Credit: 3

Lecture/Lab Hours: The class meets for two (2) lecture hours and two (2) hours of lab per week.

Prerequisite: Introductory


End-of-Course Outcomes: Upon successful completion of this course the student will

1. Use communication skills to define developmentally appropriate practices
2. Use critical thinking skills to describe the process of child-centered curriculum development; develop guidelines for creating learning environments
3. Use communication skills describe teacher roles in early childhood classrooms
4. Use empirical and quantitative skills to prepare a developmentally appropriate schedule including routines and transitions
5. Use critical thinking skills to select, plan, implement, and evaluate developmentally appropriate learning experiences for children.

Teaching Methods: Lecture, discussion, videos and group activities

Evaluation Methods: Will be based on the following

- Assignments 30%
- Tests and Final 30%
- Lab 20%
- Teacher Evaluation 15%
- Attendance 5%

A 100-90, B 89-80, C 79-70, D 69-60, F 59 & below

The course grade is comprised of both lecture and lab. Failure to do lab assignments, including excessive absence from lab, may result in the student being dropped from the course.

Student Contribution: Each student is expected to spend 3 hours per week preparing for class. Attendance is crucial for the success in this course. Student will be dropped after three (3) consecutive absences

Student Learning Outcome: Using critical thinking and personal skills construct a weekly schedule for preschool children.

Target: 90% accuracy
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