



COURSE OUTLINE

ED0274

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Course Code: Title	ED0274: CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS FOR CICE				
Program Number: Name	1120: COMMUNITY INTEGRATN				
Department:	C.I.C.E.				
Semester/Term:	17F				
Course Description:	This course is designed to develop an understanding of various disabilities. Emphasis is placed on the educator’s role in planning for individual needs, while supporting the needs of the entire group in an inclusive environment. The focus is on using a team approach, with active family involvement to support the child with special needs in inclusive educational settings.				
Total Credits:	3				
Hours/Week:	3				
Total Hours:	45				
Prerequisites:	ED 089				
Essential Employability Skills (EES):	<p>#1. Communicate clearly, concisely and correctly in the written, spoken, and visual form that fulfills the purpose and meets the needs of the audience.</p> <p>#2. Respond to written, spoken, or visual messages in a manner that ensures effective communication.</p> <p>#4. Apply a systematic approach to solve problems.</p> <p>#5. Use a variety of thinking skills to anticipate and solve problems.</p> <p>#6. Locate, select, organize, and document information using appropriate technology and information systems.</p> <p>#7. Analyze, evaluate, and apply relevant information from a variety of sources.</p> <p>#8. Show respect for the diverse opinions, values, belief systems, and contributions of others.</p> <p>#9. Interact with others in groups or teams that contribute to effective working relationships and the achievement of goals.</p> <p>#10. Manage the use of time and other resources to complete projects.</p> <p>#11. Take responsibility for ones own actions, decisions, and consequences.</p>				
Course Evaluation:	Passing Grade: 50%, D				
Evaluation Process and Grading System:	<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Evaluation Type</th> <th>Evaluation Weight</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Content Integration</td> <td>20%</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Evaluation Type	Evaluation Weight	Content Integration	20%
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Project	35%
Reading Assignments	15%
Tests	30%

Books and Required Resources:

Inclusion in Early Childhood Programs Children with Exceptionalities. by Allen, K.E, Cowdery, G.E., Paasche, C.L. et.al (2015)

Publisher: Nelson Edition: 6th Canadian Edition
ISBN: 978-0-17-653177-5

The science of early child development (3rd ed.). [Online resource]. by Jamieson, J., Bertrand, J., Elfenbaum, M., & Koshyk, J. (Eds.). (2012).
Publisher: Winnipeg, MB: Red River College

Ontario Regulation 137/15 Child Care and Early Years Act, 2014 by Ministry of Education (2014)
<http://www.ontario.ca/laws/regulation/r15137#top>

Anti-Bias Education for Young Children and Ourselves by Derman-Sparks, L., Olsen Edwards, J.
Publisher: National Association of Young Children
ISBN: 978=1-928896-67-8

Course Outcomes and Learning Objectives:

Upon successful completion of this course, the CICE student, with the assistance of a Learning Specialist will acquire varying levels of skill development relevant to the following learning outcomes:

Course Outcome 1.

Contrast historical trends of special education to current methods of inclusion based on a collaborative/developmental model (Reflection of ECE Program Vocational Learning Outcome #5 and #7)

Learning Objectives 1.

Explain the rationale for early intervention and inclusion
Identify best practices for inclusive early childhood programs based on current research
Outline Canadian legislation which impacts on individuals with special needs
Outline provisions related to children with disabilities from the Child Care and Early Years Act, 2014

Course Outcome 2.

Delineate the causal factors for specific disabilities

Learning Objectives 2.

Identify the major categories of exceptionalities
Determine the causes and incidence for specific disabilities
Outline the impact on the child's development as well as the implications for early childhood educators

Course Outcome 3.

Evaluate the factors and practices which contribute to an effective inclusive learning environment for children with special needs

Learning Objectives 3.

Foster inclusive learning environments that allow all children to participate in ways that are meaningful and recognize individual abilities and approaches to learning
Identify and respect the variations that occur in children's development
Suggest ways for supporting children with special needs in developing their cognitive, language, self-care, social/emotional and physical skills
Describe skills early childhood educators can utilize to promote positive learning experiences for young children with special needs
Provide flexibility and choice in learning materials and opportunities in order to optimize development and learning for all children and their families
Explore appropriate technology and assistive technological tools to optimize all children's development and learning

Course Outcome 4.

Examine strategies for building and maintaining responsive relationships with families

Learning Objectives 4.

Identify the valuable input that families contribute as experts in their children's abilities, interests and ideas
Develop strategies to communicate with families the benefits of inclusive and play-based learning
Recognize opportunities to communicate children's developmental progress to families in an on-going manner
Identify issues that are common among families of children with special needs
Design strategies that educators can utilize to effectively support families of children with special needs
Recommend and support families access to appropriate community resources

Course Outcome 5.

Investigate various disabilities and design curriculum activities for children with special needs.

Learning Objectives 5.

Thoroughly research an area of interest and discuss strategies that can be utilized to support the child and family
Explain the process of developing individual program plans and family service plans
Design activities that take into consideration the principles of universal design so that these activities can be engaged in by all children, regardless of their developmental needs
Design inclusive curriculum that incorporates learning throughout all activities of the day and reflects children's daily lived experiences

Course Outcome 6.

Act in a professional manner

Learning Objectives 6.

Use self-reflection and self-evaluation skills in an ongoing manner

Contribute one's own ideas, opinions and information while demonstrating respect for the diverse opinions, values, belief systems and contributions of others.

Communicate clearly, concisely, and effectively in written, spoken, and visual form

Work collaboratively in a team in ways that contribute to effective working relationships and the achievement of goals

Take responsibility for one's own actions, decisions, and consequences

Apply an accepted standard of writing, grammar, spelling and format to all submitted documents.

Cooperate fully with policies and procedures outlined in the Student Code of Conduct and ECE Confidentiality Policy.

CICE Modifications:

Preparation and Participation

1. A Learning Specialist will attend class with the student(s) to assist with inclusion in the class and to take notes.
2. Students will receive support in and outside of the classroom (i.e. tutoring, assistance with homework and assignments, preparation for exams, tests and quizzes.)
3. Study notes will be geared to test content and style which will match with modified learning outcomes.
4. Although the Learning Specialist may not attend all classes with the student(s), support will always be available. When the Learning Specialist does attend classes he/she will remain as inconspicuous as possible.

A. Further modifications may be required as needed as the semester progresses based on individual student(s) abilities and must be discussed with and agreed upon by the instructor.

B. Tests may be modified in the following ways:

1. Tests, which require essay answers, may be modified to short answers.
2. Short answer questions may be changed to multiple choice or the question may be simplified so the answer will reflect a basic understanding.
3. Tests, which use fill in the blank format, may be modified to include a few choices for each question, or a list of choices for all questions. This will allow the student to match or use visual clues.
4. Tests in the T/F or multiple choice format may be modified by rewording or clarifying statements into layman's or simplified terms. Multiple choice questions may have a reduced number of choices.

C. Tests will be written in CICE office with assistance from a Learning Specialist.

The Learning Specialist may:

1. Read the test question to the student.
2. Paraphrase the test question without revealing any key words or definitions.
3. Transcribe the student's verbal answer.
4. Test length may be reduced and time allowed to complete test may be increased.

D. Assignments may be modified in the following ways:

1. Assignments may be modified by reducing the amount of information required while

maintaining general concepts.

2. Some assignments may be eliminated depending on the number of assignments required in the particular course.

The Learning Specialist may:

1. Use a question/answer format instead of essay/research format
2. Propose a reduction in the number of references required for an assignment
3. Assist with groups to ensure that student comprehends his/her role within the group
4. Require an extension on due dates due to the fact that some students may require additional time to process information
5. Formally summarize articles and assigned readings to isolate main points for the student
6. Use questioning techniques and paraphrasing to assist in student comprehension of an assignment

E. Evaluation:

Is reflective of modified learning outcomes.

NOTE: Due to the possibility of documented medical issues, CICE students may require alternate methods of evaluation to be able to acquire and demonstrate the modified learning outcomes

Date:

Wednesday, March 21, 2018

Please refer to the course outline addendum on the Learning Management System for further information.