



COURSE OUTLINE

ED 223

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Course Code: Title	ED 223: TEACHING METHODS III IN ECE
Program Number: Name	1030: EARLY CHILDHOOD ED
Department:	EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION
Semester/Term:	17F
Course Description:	Building on concepts learned in Teaching Methods II, this course focuses on fostering children’s understanding of the world through inquiry-based learning. Students will gain teaching strategies to develop play environments and to guide child-initiated and adult-supported experiences that will enhance and deepen learning in indoor, outdoor and beyond spaces.
Total Credits:	4
Hours/Week:	4
Total Hours:	60
Prerequisites:	ED 131, ED 136, ED 137
Corequisites:	ED 286, ED 287
This course is a pre-requisite for:	ED 210, ED 219, ED 247, ED 266, ED 289, ED 290
Vocational Learning Outcomes (VLO's):	<p>#1. Design, implement and evaluate inclusive and play-based early learning curriculum and programs that support children’s holistic development and are responsive to individual children’s and groups of childrens observed abilities, interests and ideas.</p> <p>#2. Establish and maintain inclusive early learning environments that support diverse, equitable and accessible developmental and learning opportunities for all children and their families.</p> <p>#3. Select and use a variety of screening tools, observation and documentation strategies to review, support and promote children’s learning across the continuum of early childhood development.</p> <p>#6. Prepare and use professional written, verbal, nonverbal and electronic communications when working with children, families, colleagues, employers, and community partners.</p> <p>#10. Engage in reflective practice, develop learning goals and maintain an ongoing professional development plan in accordance with evidence-based practices in early learning and related fields</p>
Please refer to program web page for a complete listing of program outcomes where applicable.	



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Essential Employability Skills (EES):

- #1. Communicate clearly, concisely and correctly in the written, spoken, and visual form that fulfills the purpose and meets the needs of the audience.
- #2. Respond to written, spoken, or visual messages in a manner that ensures effective communication.
- #5. Use a variety of thinking skills to anticipate and solve problems.
- #6. Locate, select, organize, and document information using appropriate technology and information systems.
- #8. Show respect for the diverse opinions, values, belief systems, and contributions of others.
- #9. Interact with others in groups or teams that contribute to effective working relationships and the achievement of goals.
- #10. Manage the use of time and other resources to complete projects.
- #11. Take responsibility for ones own actions, decisions, and consequences.

Course Evaluation:

Passing Grade: 50%, D

Other Course Evaluation & Assessment Requirements:

Although a D grade is considered a passing grade, the student must achieve a minimum of a C grade to be eligible to register for the subsequent course co-requisites, ED247, ED290 and ED289.

Evaluation Process and Grading System:

Evaluation Type	Evaluation Weight
Assignments	60%
Content Integration	20%
Reading Reflections	20%

Books and Required Resources:

The science of early child development by Jamieson, J., Bertrand, J., Elfenbaum, M., & Koshyk, J. (Eds.)
 Publisher: Red River College Edition: 3rd

Project Approach Practical Guides for Teachers: Numbers 1 – 6
<http://projectapproach.org/store/>

Natural Curiosity: A Resource for Teachers. Building Children’s Understanding of the World through Environmental Inquiry by 3. The Laboratory School at The Dr. Eric Jackman Institute of Child Study
<http://www.naturalcuriosity.ca/pdf/NaturalCuriosityManual.pdf>

ABC and Beyond. Building Emergent Literacy in Early Childhood Settings. by 4. Weitzman, E., and Greenberg
 Publisher: Hanen Early Learning Program



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Learning Language and Loving It by 4. Weitzman, E., and Greenberg
Publisher: Hanen Early Learning Program

Excerpts from 'ELECT' by Ontario Ministry of Education
<http://www.edu.gov.on.ca/childcare/ExcerptsFromELECT.pdf>

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

Code of Ethics and Standards of Practice by College of Early Childhood Educators, Ontario
<http://www.college-ece.ca/Pages/default.aspx>

The Kindergarten Program by Ontario Ministry of Education
http://www.edu.gov.on.ca/eng/curriculum/elementary/kindergarten_english_june3.pdf

Think, Feel, Act by Ontario Ministry of Education
<http://www.ontario.ca/edu>

How Does Learning Happen? Ontario's Pedagogy for the Early Years by Ontario Ministry of Education
<http://www.ontario.ca/edu>

The Art of Awareness by Curtis, D and Carter, M.
Publisher: Redleaf Press Edition: 2

Course Outcomes and Learning Objectives:

Course Outcome 1.

use process-oriented and divergent teaching techniques to incorporate inquiry-based learning experiences throughout the curriculum

Learning Objectives 1.

- use a variety of strategies to support learning through inquiry and play-based experiences
- recognize the importance of focusing on development holistically, understanding that there is a connection between cognitive development and other areas of development
- identify inclusive learning environments that allow all children to participate in ways that are meaningful and recognize individual abilities and approaches to learning
- identify techniques that can be used to engage children as active and competent



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contributors in their learning

- evaluate one's teaching to determine if children's needs are met and their abilities, interests, and ideas are acknowledged

Course Outcome 2.

understand the fundamental principles of science and math and their importance in helping children explore the world around them

Learning Objectives 2.

- describe the five strands of math and the concepts associated with each strand
- describe three areas of science, life, physical and earth, and the concepts associated with each area
- explain how children's understanding of math and science principles helps them explore the world around them
- describe how indoor, outdoor and natural environments can foster early learning math and science principles
- plan developmentally appropriate experiences to facilitate children's understanding of math and science concepts in indoor, outdoor, natural and community settings

Course Outcome 3.

select and use a variety of observation and documentation strategies to review, support and deepen children's learning across the continuum of early childhood development.

Learning Objectives 3.

- identify and select technology tools to facilitate documentation and record-keeping
- use a variety of observation techniques to enhance work with children
- document and report observations in a professional manner
- use appropriate strategies to identify and interpret children's learning in a holistic manner.
- use appropriate strategies to identify ways to further nurture children's learning.

Course Outcome 4.



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act in a professional manner

Learning Objectives 4.

- use self-reflection and self-evaluation skills in an ongoing manner
- contribute one's own ideas, opinions and information while demonstrating respect of those of others
- communicate clearly, concisely, tactfully, and effectively in written, spoken, and visual form
- apply an accepted standard of writing, grammar, spelling and format to all submitted documents.
- work collaboratively with others
- use critical thinking skills to analyze, problem solve and plan
- take responsibility for one's own actions, decisions, and consequences
- comply with ECE Confidentiality Policy, ECE Program Manual, the Sault College Student Code of Conduct, and CECE Code of Ethics and Standards of Practice

Date:

Wednesday, August 30, 2017

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