COURSE OUTLINE

COURSE TITLE: Infant/Toddler Care & Education

CODE NO.: ED 213

PROGRAM: Early Childhood Education

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PREREQUISITE(S): HSC104

HOURS/WEEK: 3

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I. COURSE DESCRIPTION:

This course provides an introduction to the area of infant and toddler care. The young child's developmental changes during the infant and the toddler periods are significant. Infants and toddlers are seen as individuals with strengths and needs which are to be interpreted and responded to by the sensitive caregiver. The synchronicity of this relationship is emphasized. Consequently, the student will develop an appreciation of the importance of ensuring quality caregiving and of the need for a good learning environment in both the home and group care settings. A web-based format will be used for assignments and for course notes.

II. LEARNING OUTCOMES AND ELEMENTS OF THE PERFORMANCE:

Upon successful completion of this course, the student will demonstrate the ability to:

1. **Plan And Implement An Appropriate IPP For An Infant Or Toddler; Analyze Its Relevance And Its Success, And Formulate New Objectives For The Child.**

Potential Elements of the Performance:

- analyze the components of an Individual Program Plan
- distinguish between Piaget’s stages of sensori-motor development
- describe critical developmental milestones and developmental ladders
- choose an infant or toddler subject and conduct home visits
- complete a developmental profile and describe the child’s achievement of milestones
- outline a list of the child’s Strengths and Needs
- make and score graphs which illustrate the child’s current basal and ceiling levels
- formulate IPP objectives
- evaluate the IPP’s success
2. **Determine The Child’s Cognitive, Physical And Emotional Needs During Early Childhood; Examine The Role Of A Responsive Caregiver/Teacher.**

**Potential Elements of the Performance:**
- outline the historical evolution of child care
- determine the essential components of quality care
- describe the relationship between one’s beliefs, knowledge & values, to philosophy & goals for infant programming
- examine the qualities of, and roles of the competent caregiver
- interpret infant states and cues
- assess characteristics of temperament and relate these to attachment behaviours
- determine appropriate ways of promoting emotional well-being
- propose ways of fostering positive social interaction
- rate one’s involvement and participation in group discussions and/or projects

3. **Assess The Features Of A Positive Infant/toddler Environment.**

**Potential Elements of the Performance:**
- outline the characteristics of a supportive/responsive environment
- propose methods of establishing good stimulus shelters
- outline the factors which provide an appropriate balance between over & under stimulation
- complete an ITERS rating scale
- formulate I-messages
- select useful measures for interacting with and supporting parents
- detail the DNA requirements pertaining to infant/toddler environments

4. **Determine Appropriate Curriculum For Individual Infants/Toddlers in Group Care Setting.**

**Potential Elements of the Performance:**
- determine ways of providing ideal sensory enrichment
- illustrate ways of providing support and of enhancing learning during routines
- evaluate curriculum activities
III. TOPICS:

1. Infants as Individuals: Developing an Individual Program Plan
2. Infants and Toddlers in Groups: philosophy and goals of QUALITY CARE
4. Understanding Temperament: infant states & cues
5. Competent Caregiving and Developmentally Appropriate Practices
6. The interrelationship of caregiving, caregivers and the environment
7. Creating Effective Infant/Toddler Curriculum
8. "Meeting the Match" developmentally
9. Partnering with Parents

IV. REQUIRED RESOURCES/TEXTS/MATERIALS:

1. Developmental Programming for Infants and Young Children, revised
4. NOTES AVAILABLE ON Web-CT
V. EVALUATION PROCESS/GRADING SYSTEM:

1. CHILD STUDY
   Part A: a) Observations/Milestones 5%
   b) Strengths/Needs 7%
   c) Profile & graph 4%
   d) IPP 9%
   Part B: Summary & Overview of follow-up activities 10%
   ________________________________________________________________
   35%

2. TESTS (2x 15%) 30%

3. IN CLASS ACTIVITIES/PARTICIPATION 30%

5. Environmental Rating 5%
   ________________________________________________________________
   100%

ASSIGNMENTS

CHILD STUDY: 35%
The student will prepare an Individual Program Plan based on home visit observations and the Developmental Profile. The IPP activities will be assigned and explained to the parent. The child's progress will be summarized and conclusions made about the success of the plan. Also, the student will propose appropriate follow-up activities which could subsequently be used with the child.
   a) Complete visit #1 and observations/profile by September 28th
   b) Complete visit #2 and observations/developmental differences by Oct 26th
   c) Part A due Nov 7th, 2002
   d) Part B due Dec 5th, 2002
TESTS - 30%

Achievement of course learning outcomes will be measured by mandatory testing as follows:

Test #1 (15%)  October 10th, 2002
Test #2 (15%)  December 5th, 2002

NOTE: Students must complete tests on the designated date. If the student cannot attend the class for the test, the student must telephone the teacher prior to the time of the test (759-2554, Extension 438) and make alternate arrangements. If this procedure is not followed then a grade of zero will be applied for the test.

IN CLASS ACTIVITIES/PARTICIPATION - 30%

Students will participate in cooperative learning activities to discuss weekly topics and readings. Students are expected to attend classes in order to benefit from these discussions.

ENVIRONMENTAL RATING - 5%

Students will investigate the elements of appropriate environments for infants and toddlers, through assigned readings. As well, after viewing the "ITERS" video in class, the student will practice using the rating scale. After each segment of the tape is observed, the student will rate the environment shown, according to the code supplied. (In-class assignment guided by teacher).

The following semester grades will be assigned to students in postsecondary courses:

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U  Unsatisfactory achievement in field placement or non-graded subject areas.

X  A temporary grade. This is used in limited situations with extenuating circumstances giving a student additional time to complete the requirements for a course (see Policies & Procedures Manual – Deferred Grades and Make-up).

NR Grade not reported to Registrar's office. This is used to facilitate transcript preparation when, for extenuating circumstances, it has not been possible for the faculty member to report grades.

VI. SPECIAL NOTES:

Special Needs:
If you are a student with special needs (e.g. physical limitations, visual impairments, hearing impairments, or learning disabilities), you are encouraged to discuss required accommodations with your instructor and/or the Special Needs office. Visit Room E1204 or call Extension 493, 717, or 491 so that support services can be arranged for you.

Retention of course outlines:
It is the responsibility of the student to retain all course outlines for possible future use in acquiring advanced standing at other postsecondary institutions.

Plagiarism:
Students should refer to the definition of “academic dishonesty” in Student Rights and Responsibilities. Students who engage in “academic dishonesty” will receive an automatic failure for that submission and/or such other penalty, up to and including expulsion from the course/program, as may be decided by the professor/dean. In order to protect students from inadvertent plagiarism, to protect the copyright of the material referenced, and to credit the author of the material, it is the policy of the department to employ a documentation format for referencing source material.
Course outline amendments:
The Professor reserves the right to change the information contained in this course outline depending on the needs of the learner and the availability of resources.

Late Assignments: Consistent with the ECE Academic Policies, late assignments will be graded only if submitted within one week of the due date (must be submitted no later than two weeks prior to the end of the semester). A consequent mark reduction of one grade level will apply.

NOTE: The video assignment is excluded, in other words, individual and group video assignments will not be graded if submitted past the due date.

VII. PRIOR LEARNING ASSESSMENT:

Students who wish to apply for advanced credit in the course should consult the professor. Credit for prior learning will be given upon successful completion of a challenge exam or portfolio.

VIII. DIRECT CREDIT TRANSFERS:

Students who wish to apply for direct credit transfer (advanced standing) should obtain a direct credit transfer form from the Dean’s secretary. Students will be required to provide a transcript and course outline related to the course in question.