**COURSE OUTLINE**

**COURSE TITLE:** Child and Adolescent Development I

**CODE NO.:** HSC 1040  
**SEMMESTER:** 2 (2003W)

**PROGRAM:** Early Childhood Education

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**APPROVED:**

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Dean  
Health and Human Services

**TOTAL CREDITS:** 3

**PREREQUISITE(S):** PSY 1020

**HOURS PER WEEK:** 3
I. COURSE DESCRIPTION:

Part 1 will provide an intensive study of the psychological, cognitive, physical and social development of the child from conception to early childhood. Psychological concepts, theories and research will be examined in relation to the child's development. The application of theory and research to the problems of childhood will be discussed.

Philosophically, this course emphasizes a holistic view of the undeniable worth of children.

II. LEARNING OUTCOMES AND ELEMENTS OF THE PERFORMANCE:

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

1. demonstrate a thorough understanding of child development (ECE CSAC Learning Outcome #2)

   Potential Elements of the Performance:
   - identify developmental milestones and variations in children
   - support the development and learning of individual children within the context of family, culture and society
   - analyze data on current child developmental issues

2. promote the overall well-being and facilitate positive change for children

   Potential Elements of the Performance:
   - define and critique the concept of development and the methods for studying development
   - explain, compare, contrast and apply selected theories of child development
   - describe and contrast the psychological, cognitive, physical and social developmental achievements of the prenatal period, infancy and early childhood
   - analyze child development literature using such skills as definitions of terms and research validity
3. develop and maintain effective communication skills - written, verbal and non-verbal (ECE CSAC Learning Outcome #6)

**Potential Elements of the Performance:**
- communicate with sensitivity
- ensure that information is comprehensive, concise, factual and objective
- utilize appropriate form, style and level of analysis/detail on message, audience and purpose of communication
- use an accepted standard of writing, grammar, spelling and format (eg. APA style)

4. utilize a variety of observation techniques to enhance work with children, families and co-workers (ECE CSAC Outcome #3)

**Potential Elements of the Performance:**
- define, apply and analyze selected vocabulary from the child development literature
- utilize appropriate techniques to identify children’s skills, abilities and interests
- interpret information gathered and make recommendations for future analysis or research

III. TOPICS:

1. Theory and Research in Child Development
2. Biological and Environmental Foundations
3. Prenatal Development
4. Birth and the Newborn Baby
5. Physical, Cognitive, Emotional and Social Development in Infancy, Toddlerhood and Early Childhood

V. REQUIRED RESOURCES/TEXTS/MATERIALS:

V. EVALUATION PROCESS/GRADING SYSTEM:

1. Childhood/Family Analysis 15%

Students will complete an assignment that examines their own childhood and family. This assignment must be typed. Criteria will be explained in class.

Due February 7

2. Professional Research Article Review 20%

Students will review a research study that is published in a professional journal. The review will consist of a brief summary of the main points of the research article and a critique of the information provided. Two to three pages are expected. The format and criteria for completing this assignment will be explained in class.

Review due: February 21

3. In-class assignments, quizzes, attendance and participation 15%

Various activities and “overnight” projects are assigned to be handed in and/or reported on in class. Also unscheduled quizzes will occur to evaluate understanding of developmental milestones. Attendance and active participation is a necessary requirement for successful completion of this course.

4. Tests 50%

There will be 3 tests spaced throughout the semester worth 15% each. These tests will be based on the material presented in class and in the textbook.

Test #1: February 14 (15%)
Test #2: March 21 (15%)
Test #3: April 11 (20%)
The following semester grades will be assigned to students in post secondary courses:

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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 the instructor and/or contact the Special Needs office, Room E1204, 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 post secondary institutions.
Disclaimer for meeting the needs of learners:
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.

Substitute course information is available in the Registrar's office.

Students must complete tests on the designated date. If the student cannot attend the class for the test, the student must telephone the professor prior to the time of the test (759-2554 ext 563) to make alternate arrangements. If this procedure is not followed, a grade of zero will be applied for the test. Presentations must be made on the date scheduled.

All assignments are due on the date indicated by the professor. Late assignments will be deducted 5% per day. Assignments will not be accepted more than 1 week after the due date.

VII. PRIOR LEARNING ASSESSMENT:

Students who wish to apply for advanced credit in the course should consult the instructor.

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.