



COURSE OUTLINE: ED 124 - HEALTHY FOUNDATIONS

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Course Code: Title	ED 124: HEALTHY FOUNDATIONS
Program Number: Name	1030: EARLY CHILDHOOD ED
Department:	EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION
Semesters/Terms:	18F
Course Description:	This course involves the study of health, safety, and nutrition in relation to the needs of young children. Occupational Health related to the work of the ECE will also be explored. Also to be studied are the professional roles related to child abuse and domestic violence issues with a focus on reporting procedures and working with families.
Total Credits:	3
Hours/Week:	3
Total Hours:	45
Prerequisites:	There are no pre-requisites for this course.
Corequisites:	There are no co-requisites for this course.
Vocational Learning Outcomes (VLO's) addressed in this course:	1030 - EARLY CHILDHOOD ED
Please refer to program web page for a complete listing of program outcomes where applicable.	VLO 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.
	VLO 5 Assess, develop and maintain safe, healthy and quality early learning environments which meet the requirements of current legislation, agency policies and evidence-based practices in early learning.
	VLO 6 Prepare and use professional written, verbal, nonverbal and electronic communications when working with children, families, colleagues, employers, and community partners.
	VLO 7 Identify, select and apply relevant legislation, regulations, College of Early Childhood Educators Standards of Practice and Code of Ethics, policies and evidence-based practice guidelines, and interpret their impact on a variety of early learning environments.
	VLO 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
Essential Employability Skills (EES) addressed in this course:	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.
	EES 2 Respond to written, spoken, or visual messages in a manner that ensures effective communication.
	EES 3 Execute mathematical operations accurately.
	EES 4 Apply a systematic approach to solve problems.
	EES 5 Use a variety of thinking skills to anticipate and solve problems.
	EES 6 Locate, select, organize, and document information using appropriate technology



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and information systems.

- EES 7 Analyze, evaluate, and apply relevant information from a variety of sources.
- EES 8 Show respect for the diverse opinions, values, belief systems, and contributions of others.
- EES 9 Interact with others in groups or teams that contribute to effective working relationships and the achievement of goals.
- EES 10 Manage the use of time and other resources to complete projects.
- EES 11 Take responsibility for ones own actions, decisions, and consequences.

Course Evaluation:

Passing Grade: 50%, D

Books and Required Resources:

Healthy Foundations in Early Childhood Settings by Pimento, B., Kernsted, D. (2015)
Publisher: Nelson Edition: 5th
ISBN: 978-0-17-650956-9

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

Course Outcomes and Learning Objectives:

Course Outcome 1	Learning Objectives for Course Outcome 1
1. Establish safe and healthy environments and practices in early learning programs	1.1 describe safe and healthy indoor and outdoor environments which meet requirements of current legislation, regulatory bodies and program policies. 1.2 demonstrate awareness of health and safety policies and evidence-based practices in early learning programs. 1.3 identify the impact of personal health practice in the area of occupational health on the role of the early childhood educator 1.4 apply regulations of Occupational Health and Safety Act and Ministry of Labour as it relates to the work of early childhood educators. 1.5 analyze personal health practices and recognize their importance in modeling to children a healthy lifestyle.
Course Outcome 2	Learning Objectives for Course Outcome 2
2. Analyze effective techniques to promote wellness and to manage and prevent health conditions among young children	2.1 research current health issues and design health promotion action plans. 2.2 analyze the benefits of healthy physical activity for children. 2.3 convey accurate information about health conditions and illnesses that occur in childhood. 2.4 identify evidence-based practices that prevent the spread of illnesses and strategies to manage illnesses that occur in early learning programs. 2.5 identify the responses required related to unsafe and emergency situations, including anaphylaxis.
Course Outcome 3	Learning Objectives for Course Outcome 3
3. Identify the critical elements for ensuring child safety in environments for young children.	3.1 explore practices that enhance safety and accessibility, 3.2 identify environmental hazards in early learning programs, 3.3 identify the adult role in ensuring a safe learning environment, 3.4 explore working with parents to ensure maximum child health and safety.



Course Outcome 4	Learning Objectives for Course Outcome 4
4. Analyze the nutritional guidelines for young children and be able to plan and evaluate nutritional meals for children in child care settings	4.1 meet the nutritional requirements of children through planning and consultation with parents and relevant professionals. 4.2 demonstrate a working knowledge of the recommended nutritional needs as set out by the Child Care and Early Years Act, 2014 and Canada's Food Guide. 4.3 communicate an awareness of nutritional needs for infants through to age twelve. 4.4 demonstrate the ability to plan and evaluate snacks and meals for children in licensed child care. 4.5 execute mathematical operations accurately when preparing and analyzing menu plans.
Course Outcome 5	Learning Objectives for Course Outcome 5
5. Outline one's professional role in the early identification, prevention/intervention and referral of families in which abuse is suspected or deemed to be a high risk	5.1 describe the various forms of child abuse and family violence. 5.2 examine the role of the ECE in prevention and early identification of possible abuse. 5.3 determine reasonable grounds to suspect when a child is at risk for abuse. 5.4 outline procedures, policies and protocol for dealing with suspicions of abuse and neglect in accordance with the Ontario Child and Family Services Act. 5.5 identify the community agencies available to assist the early childhood educator when dealing with violence issues
Course Outcome 6	Learning Objectives for Course Outcome 6
6. Describe the impact on children and/or witnesses of violence and evaluate a variety of prevention and intervention methods to reduce the incidence and effects of all forms of abuse	6.1 measure the effects of various forms of abuse on children 6.2 assess the impact of witnessing abuse. 6.3 explore how prevention and intervention programs can be used effectively. 6.4 propose various methods of support and intervention for individuals impacted by abuse
Course Outcome 7	Learning Objectives for Course Outcome 7
7. Act in a professional manner	7.1 use self-reflection and self-evaluation skills in an ongoing manner 7.2 contribute one's own ideas, opinions and information while demonstrating respect for the diverse opinions, values, belief systems and contributions of others. 7.3 communicate clearly, concisely, and effectively in written, spoken, and visual form 7.4 work collaboratively in a team in ways that contribute to effective working relationships and the achievement of goals 7.5 take responsibility for one's own actions, decisions, and consequences 7.6 apply an accepted standard of writing, grammar, spelling and format to all submitted documents. 7.7 cooperate fully with policies and procedures outlined in the Student Code of Conduct and ECE Confidentiality Policy.

Evaluation Process and
Evaluation Type
Evaluation Weight
Course Outcome Assessed


Grading System:

Assignments & Training Workshops	40%	1-7
Content Integration	15%	1-7
Reading Reflections	15%	1-7
Tests	30%	1-6

Date:

June 22, 2018

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

