

Course Syllabus

NOTE: This syllabus is subject to change during the semester . Please check this syllabus on a regular basis for any updates.

Department : Child Development

Course Title : Child Guidance

Section Name : CDEC 1319

Start Date : 08/22/2011

End Date : 1/13/2012

Modality : FACE-TO-FACE

Credits : 3

Instructor Information

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Course Description

An exploration of guidance strategies for promoting prosocial behaviors with individuals and groups of children. Emphasis on positive guidance principles and techniques, family involvement and cultural influences. Practical application through direct participation with children. Provides opportunity to evaluate and understand individual expectations regarding discipline and classroom management with emphasis on Texas licensing standards. Students will have the opportunity to evaluate situations based on good-problem-solving and decision-making techniques and implementation of alternative discipline strategies. Emphasizes techniques of communication with children as well as co-workers. Presents major theorists and theories of individual and group management. Lab fee required.

Prerequisites/Corequisites

Child Development

Scans

5, 6, 7, 8, 10, 11

Course Objectives

- A. Working with Young Children
 - a. Growth and Development
 - b. Observing Children
 - c. Child Development Principles & Theories
 - d. Child Development
 - i. Birth to Age Two
 - ii. Two & Three Year Olds
 - iii. Four & Five Year Olds
 - iv. Middle Childhood

- B. Guidance Skills
 - a. Guidance Challenges
 - b. Classroom Limits
 - c. Daily Routines

Child Development

Required Readings/Materials

a) **Required** readings/materials:

Working with Young Children, 2004, Judy Herr

The Whole Child, eighth edition, 2006, Joanne Hendrick and Patricia Weissman

Course Requirements (Lectures, Assignments and Assessments)

Daily Work

Journal

Lab

Employability Skills

Test/Quizzes

Project

Summary of Assignments & Activities

Item(Name)	Type	Description	Due*
Careers in Early Childhood	Discussion/Collage	<i>Collage</i>	9/3
<i>Early Childhood Programs</i>	Observations	<i>Observation Assignment</i>	9/10
Observing Children	Discussion/Observations	Observations	9/17
Principles and Theories	Discussion/Project	Comparison Project	9/24
Child Development	Discussion/Project/Test	Various	10/8
Developing Guidance	Discussion	Writing Assignment	10/15
Guidance Challenges	Writing Assignment	Newsletter	10/22
Classroom Limits	Project	Create Limits	10/29
Daily Routines	Discussion/Skits	Skits	11/03

Grading Policy

Each week, I will provide grades or scores and comments on assignments within 6 days of when they were submitted. After I send feedback each week, I will post a notification in the **Main** forum.

Late assignments receive a 10% deduction for each day they are late if assignments are not posted by 11:59 p.m. central on the day they are due. Assignments more than 5 days late will not be accepted. Technological issues will not be considered as valid grounds for late assignment submission. In the event of a server outage, students should submit assignments to the instructor.

Grading Policy	
Daily Work	40%
Lab	15%
Project	15%
Journals	10%
Employability Skills	10%
Quizzes	10%

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