



Course Name: Observation, Participation Seminar

Course Number: ECE* E210

Credits: 3

Catalog description: Provides current and prospective teachers of young children with an in-depth appreciation of the need to observe and record children's behavior. The primary outcome of this class will be to thither the student's ability to observe objectively and to increase their ability to understand and interpret behavior. Observation and participation placements are required in approved early childhood settings. The student will observe and participate for sixty hours. Experiences are extended in weekly seminars.

Prerequisite: ECE* 101

General Education Competencies Satisfied:

HCC General Education Requirement Designated Competency Attribute Code(s):

None

Additional CSCU General Education Requirements for CSCU Transfer Degree Programs:

None

Embedded Competency(ies):

None

Discipline-Specific Attribute Code(s):

None

Course objectives:

1. Relate observation with skills and knowledge about children.
2. Develop an in depth knowledge of children and to recognize their individual differences.
3. Record observations of children in a valid and reliable manner.
4. Analyze young children's physical, language, cognitive, social and emotional development.
5. Develop sensitivity to the needs of young children from diverse backgrounds and special needs

Course Content:

1. The role of observation and participation in early childhood education.



2. Methods for recording observations.
3. Caring for infants and observing them.
4. Exploring the world of toddlers.
5. Interacting with preschool children.
6. Living and learning with kindergarten children.
7. Work and play in the primary grades.
8. Working with families of young children.
9. Curriculum and the young children.

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