



Syllabus for ECE7: Introduction to Early Childhood Curriculum

Course Information

Semester & Year: Fall 2022

Course ID & Section #: ECE-7- K4326

Instructor's name: Alicia Chivington

Day/Time of required meetings: Monday 5:30PM- 7:35PM

Location: KT Room 3

Course units: 3

Instructor Contact Information

Office location or *Online: In Person or Online

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Catalog Description

Developmentally appropriate curriculum and environments for young children. Explores teaching strategies and curriculum development based on theoretical frameworks, observation, and assessment. Emphasizes the teacher's role in supporting development and learning across the curriculum, including all content areas.

Note: This course includes four hours of field experience per week (54 hours total) at a site approved by the faculty member. Specific criteria will be required for site approval. Students enrolled in ECE-7 will require proof of immunizations or immunity for: Measles, Pertussis, and Influenza.

Course Student Learning Outcomes *(from course outline of record)*

1. Differentiate between various curriculum models, approaches, environments, and standards for early learning including indicators of quality. (LEC)
2. Identify the teacher's role in early childhood programs, including planning, implementing, and evaluating activities and environments. (LAB)
3. Select and apply developmentally appropriate teaching strategies and theories to curriculum and environment design. (LAB)

Prerequisites/co-requisites/ recommended preparation

No prerequisites.

Accessibility

College of the Redwoods is committed to making reasonable accommodations for qualified students with disabilities. If you have a disability or believe you might benefit from disability-related services and accommodations, please contact your instructor or [Disability Services and Programs for Students](#) (DSPS). Students may make requests for alternative media by contacting DSPS based on their campus location:

- Eureka: 707-476-4280, student services building, 1st floor
- Del Norte: 707-465-2324, main building near library
- Klamath-Trinity: 530-625-4821 Ext 103

If you are taking online classes DSPS will email approved accommodations for distance education classes to your instructor. In the case of face-to-face instruction, please present your written accommodation request to your instructor at least one week before the needed accommodation so that necessary arrangements can be made. Last minute arrangements or post-test adjustments usually cannot be accommodated.

Student Support

As your instructor, I am here to support you. Clear communication will help you be successful. Please let me know about any specific challenges or technology limitations that might affect your participation in class. College of the Redwoods wants every student to be successful.

Textbook & Other Materials

Textbook provided in Canvas as Open Education Resource- This OER Textbook is free for use.

Introduction to Curriculum for Early Childhood Education by: Kristin Beeve and Jennifer Paris

Evaluation & Grading Policy

Assignment	Points	Description	Details	SLO
Class Participation for Lecture	30	On time and prepared for in- person class meetings	Students should arrive ready to be actively engaged in class discussions, lectures, and activities.	
Mini Lessons	5x3=15	Development of Lessons to do with children	These are lessons that you will work with your Master/Mentor Teacher to develop and implement in the classroom or playground with the children. Using the form provided work with the classroom teacher to develop mini lessons or activities for the children to complete.	SLO #3 Select and apply developmentally appropriate teaching strategies and theories to curriculum and environment design. (LAB)
Observations (4)	5x4=20	Conduct Observations on children and classroom curriculum and environment	These observations will allow you to better understand the children, environment, and teacher. Getting to know children's interests you will use the knowledge gained from these observations in planning of your Mini – Lessons. Observing your mentor teacher	SLO #2 Identify the teacher's role in early childhood programs, including planning, implementing, and evaluating

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			in action with children and notice how they plan, implement curriculum, work with others and assess children's growth.	activities and environments. (LAB)
Teacher's Role: Interview	10		Understanding the teacher's role is an important starting point for curriculum development. For this assignment you will interview your Master/Mentor Teacher and then learn about them by observing them in action with children and notice how they plan, implement curriculum, work with others and assess children's growth.	SLO #2 Identify the teacher's role in early childhood programs, including planning, implementing, and evaluating activities and environments. (LAB)
Curriculum Models	10		There are many theories and approaches that guide the Early Childhood environment. In this assignment you will have a chance to learn about the major types of preschool models/curriculums and think about how they impact children and teachers specifically.	SLO #1 Differentiate between various curriculum models, approaches, environments, and standards for early learning including indicators of quality. (LEC)
Curriculum Webbing	10	In Class Activity	Develop your own topic of study that you are interested in. Pick a topic that you are interested in and investigate if to learn and be able to bring it to an Early Childhood environment and share it with children.	SLO #1 Differentiate between various curriculum models, approaches, environments, and standards for early learning including indicators of quality. (LEC)
Lab Hours and Evaluation	10	Lab hours totals will be given points	Lab hours will need a minimum to pass the course. They will be graded as follows:	

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			50-54 hrs = 10 points 46-50 hrs = 8 point 41-45 hrs = 6 points 38-40 hrs = 4 points 33-37 hrs = 2 points	
Total	100%			

Grade Calculations

Your final grade will be based on the total points you have earned throughout the semester. After each assignment is graded your point value will be posted into the Canvas grade book. You will be able to keep track of your total points throughout the semester at the course Canvas site. Grading rubrics are available for each weekly forum. (For more refer to the Canvas help menu.)

Points can only be earned by completing the above assignments by the deadline. There will be no extra credit available. A grade of "C" is considered "satisfactory, a "B" is good and an "A" is excellent. My grading criteria is based on the belief that meeting the basic assignment criteria is satisfactory so a "C". To earn a grade higher a student must reach beyond the basics and do more than the basic assignment criteria. An excellent student demonstrates initiative. The difference between doing what is spelled out in the assignment and thinking about how to deepen the assignment what demonstrates excellence. By taking it to the next level you are demonstrating your advanced leaning and commitment to excelling.

Assignments are due by 11:59 P.M. on the due date given. Late assignments are accepted for up to two weeks after the due date (except assignments due within two weeks of the end of the semester) but will be graded down a full letter grade for each week or portion of a week. After two weeks assignments, will not be accepted.

Course Grade

94 to 100 = A

90 to 93.99 = A-

86 to 89.99 = B+

83 to 85.99 = B

80 to 82.99 = B-

76 to 79.99 = C+

70 to 75.99 = C

60 to 69.99 = D*

0 to 59.99 = F

*Please remember that Community Care Licensing and the Commission on Teacher Credentialing only accept grades of "C" or better. Although a "D" grade is considered passing, it will not meet the requirements to be a fully qualified Title 22 program director or to earn a child development permit.

Students may be dropped from the course at the faculty's discretion if you have failed to log into the course and submit assignments or post into the discussion forums for over two weeks or if the points attained indicate that you are definitely failing the class. Please reach out to me if you have a situation where you are not able to participate on a regular basis due to a documentable reason and I will work with you to find a solution.

Admissions deadlines & enrollment policies

Fall 2022 Dates

- *Classes begin: 8/20/22*
- *Last day to add a class: 8/26/22*
- *Last day to drop without a W and receive a refund: 9/02/22*
- *Labor Day Holiday (all campuses closed): 09/05/22*
- *Census date: 9/06/22 or 20% into class duration*
- *Last day to petition to file P/NP option: 09/16/22*
- *Last day to petition to graduate or apply for certificate: 10/27/22*
- *Last day for student-initiated W (no refund): 10/28/22*
- *Last day for faculty-initiated W (no refund): 10/28/22*
- *Veteran's Day (all campuses closed): 11/11/22*
- *Fall Break (no classes): 11/21/22 – 11/25/22*
- *Thanksgiving Holiday (all campuses closed): 11/23/22 – 11/25/22*
- *Final examinations: 12/10/22 – 12/16/22*
- *Semester ends: 12/16/22*
- *Grades available for transcript release: approximately 01/06/23*

Academic dishonesty

In the academic community, the high value placed on truth implies a corresponding intolerance of scholastic dishonesty. In cases involving academic dishonesty, determination of the grade and of the student's status in the course is left primarily to the discretion of the faculty member. In such cases, where the instructor determines that a student has demonstrated academic dishonesty, the student may receive a failing grade for the assignment and/or exam and may be reported to the Chief Student Services Officer or designee. The Student Code of Conduct ([AP 5500](#)) is available on the College of the Redwoods website. Additional information about the rights and responsibilities of students, Board policies, and administrative procedures is located in the [College Catalog](#) and on the [College of the Redwoods website](#).

Disruptive behavior

Student behavior or speech that disrupts the instructional setting will not be tolerated. Disruptive conduct may include, but is not limited to: unwarranted interruptions; failure to adhere to instructor's directions; vulgar or obscene language; slurs or other forms of intimidation; and physically or verbally abusive behavior. In such cases where the instructor determines that a student has disrupted the educational process, a disruptive student may be temporarily removed from class. In addition, the student may be reported to the Chief Student Services Officer or designee. The Student Code of Conduct ([AP 5500](#)) is available on the College of the Redwoods website. Additional information about the rights and responsibilities of students, Board policies, and administrative procedures is located in the [College Catalog](#) and on the [College of the Redwoods website](#).

Inclusive Language in the Classroom

College of the Redwoods aspires to create a learning environment in which all people feel comfortable in contributing their perspectives to classroom discussions. It therefore encourages instructors and students to use language that is inclusive and respectful.

Setting Your Preferred Name in Canvas

Students have the ability to have an alternate first name and pronouns to appear in Canvas. Contact [Admissions & Records](#) to request a change to your preferred first name and pronoun. Your Preferred Name will only be listed in Canvas. This does not change your legal name in our records. See the [Student Information Update form](#).

Canvas Information

If using Canvas, include navigation instructions, tech support information, what Canvas is used for, and your expectation for how regularly students should check Canvas for your class.

Log into Canvas at <https://redwoods.instructure.com>

Password is your 8 digit birth date

For tech help, email its@redwoods.edu or call 707-476-4160

Canvas Help for students: <https://webapps.redwoods.edu/tutorial/>

Canvas online orientation workshop: [Canvas Student Orientation Course \(instructure.com\)](#)

Community College Student Health and Wellness

Resources, tools, and trainings regarding health, mental health, wellness, basic needs and more designed for California community college students, faculty and staff are available on the California Community Colleges [Health & Wellness website](#).

[Wellness Central](#) is a free online health and wellness resource that is available 24/7 in your space at your pace.

Students seeking to request a counseling appointment for academic advising or general counseling can email counseling@redwoods.edu.

Emergency procedures / Everbridge

College of the Redwoods has implemented an emergency alert system called Everbridge. In the event of an emergency on campus you will receive an alert through your personal email and/or phones. Registration is not necessary in order to receive emergency alerts. Check to make sure your contact information is up-to-date by logging into WebAdvisor <https://webadvisor.redwoods.edu> and selecting 'Students' then 'Academic Profile' then 'Current Information Update.'

Please contact Public Safety at 707-476-4112 or security@redwoods.edu if you have any questions. For more information see the [Redwoods Public Safety Page](#).

In an emergency that requires an evacuation of the building anywhere in the District:

- Be aware of all marked exits from your area and building
- Once outside, move to the nearest evacuation point outside your building
- Keep streets and walkways clear for emergency vehicles and personnel

Do not leave campus, unless it has been deemed safe by the campus authorities.

Del Norte Campus Emergency Procedures

Please review the [Crescent City campus emergency map](#) for campus evacuation sites, including the closest site to this classroom (posted by the exit of each room). For more information, see the [Redwoods Public Safety Page](#).

Eureka Campus Emergency Procedures

Please review the [campus emergency map](#) for evacuation sites, including the closest site to this classroom (posted by the exit of each room). For more information on Public Safety go to the [CR Police Department-Public Safety](#). It is the responsibility of College of the Redwoods to protect life and property from the effects of emergencies within its own jurisdiction.

In the event of an emergency:

1. Evaluate the impact the emergency has on your activity/operation and take appropriate action.
2. Dial 911, to notify local agency support such as law enforcement or fire services.
3. Notify Public Safety 707-476-4111 and inform them of the situation, with as much relevant information as possible.
4. Public Safety shall relay threat information, warnings, and alerts through the Everbridge emergency alert system, Public address system, and when possible, updates on the college website, to ensure the school community is notified.
5. Follow established procedures for the specific emergency as outlined in the College of the Redwoods Emergency Procedure Booklet, (evacuation to a safe zone, shelter in place, lockdown, assist others if possible, cooperate with First Responders, etc.).
6. If safe to do so, notify key administrators, departments, and personnel.
7. Do not leave campus, unless it is necessary to preserve life and/or has been deemed safe by the person in command.

Klamath Trinity Campus Emergency Procedures

Please review the responsibilities of, and procedures used by, the College of the Redwoods, Klamath-Trinity Instructional Site (KTIS) to communicate to faculty, staff, students and the general public during an emergency. It is the responsibility of College of the Redwoods, Klamath-Trinity Instructional Site (KTIS) to protect life and property from the effects of emergency situations within its own jurisdiction.

1. In the event of an emergency, communication shall be the responsibility of the district employees on scene.
 - a. Dial 911, to notify local agency support such as law enforcement or fire services.
 - b. If safe to do so, notify key administrators, departments, and personnel.
 - c. If safe to do so, personnel shall relay threat information, warnings, to ensure the school community is notified.
 - d. Contact 530-625-4821 to notify of situation.
 - e. Contact Hoopa Tribal Education Administration office 530-625-4413

- f. Notify Public Safety 707-476-4111.
2. In the event of an emergency, the responsible district employee on scene will:
 - a. Follow established procedures for the specific emergency as outlined in the College of the Redwoods Emergency Procedure Booklet.
 - b. Lock all doors and turn off lights if in lockdown due to an active shooter or similar emergency.
 - c. Close all window curtains.
 - d. Get all inside to safe location Kitchen area is best internal location.
 - e. If a police officer or higher official arrives, they will assume command.
 - f. Wait until notice of all is clear before unlocking doors.
 - g. If safe to do so, move to the nearest evacuation point outside building (Pooky's Park), directly behind the Hoopa Tribal Education Building.
 - h. Do not leave site, unless it has been deemed safe by the person in command. Student Support Services (required for online classes)

Student Support Services

The following online resources are available to support your success as a student:

- [CR-Online](#) (Comprehensive information for online students)
- [Library Articles & Databases](#)
- [Canvas help and tutorials](#)
- [Online Student Handbook](#)

[Counseling](#) offers assistance to students in need of professional counseling services such as crisis counseling.

Learning Resource Center includes the following resources for students

- [Academic Support Center](#) for instructional support, tutoring, learning resources, and proctored exams. Includes the Math Lab & Drop-in Writing Center
- [Library Services](#) to promote information literacy and provide organized information resources.
- [Multicultural & Diversity Center](#)

Special programs are also available for eligible students include

- [Extended Opportunity Programs & Services \(EOPS\)](#) provides services to eligible income disadvantaged students including: textbook award, career academic and personal counseling, school supplies, transportation assistance, tutoring, laptop, calculator and textbook loans, priority registration, graduation cap and gown, workshops, and more!
- The TRiO Student Success Program provides eligible students with a variety of services including trips to 4-year universities, career assessments, and peer mentoring. Students can apply for the program in [Eureka](#) or in [Del Norte](#)
- The [Veteran's Resource Center](#) supports and facilitates academic success for Active Duty Military, Veterans and Dependents attending CR through relational advising, mentorship, transitional assistance, and coordination of military and Veteran-specific resources.
- Klamath-Trinity students can contact the CR KT Office for specific information about student support services at 530-625-4821