

# ECE 34 Curriculum and Strategies for Children with Special Needs

## Course Information

Semester & Year: Fall 2024

Course ID and Section number: ECE-34-V7482

Instructor's name: Dr. Susan Rosen

Course units: 3.0

## Instructor Contact Information

Office Online: text 707-267-4933 and we will meet on Zoom by appointment

Office hours: by appointment

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Communication notes: I will be checking my email and responding at least every 24 hours and will respond quickly. If you need faster response, please text me and include your name.

## Catalog Description

Covers curriculum and intervention strategies for working with children with special needs in partnership with their families. Focuses on the use of observation and assessment in meeting the individualized needs of children in inclusive and natural environments. Includes the role of the teacher as a professional working with families, collaboration with interdisciplinary teams, and cultural competence. Note: This course may be used to partially fulfill ECE unit requirements for the Master Teacher Child Development Permit 6- unit Specialization.

## Course Student Learning Outcomes

1. Evaluate program, educational and professional policies, based on special education laws and evidence- based practices.
2. Design curriculum techniques based on children's individualized needs in inclusive and natural environments.
3. Identify strategies to establish and maintain effective partnerships with families, interdisciplinary team members, and community resource specialists.

## Prerequisites/corequisites/ recommended preparation

None

## Educational Accessibility & Support

College of the Redwoods is committed to providing reasonable accommodations for qualified students who could benefit from additional educational support and services. You may qualify if you have a physical, mental, sensory, or intellectual condition which causes you to struggle academically, including but not limited to:

- Mental health conditions such as depression, anxiety, PTSD, bipolar disorder, and ADHD
- Common ailments such as arthritis, asthma, diabetes, autoimmune disorders, and diseases
- Temporary impairments such as a broken bone, recovery from significant surgery, or a pregnancy-related disability
- A learning disability (such as dyslexia, reading comprehension), intellectual disability, autism, or acquired brain injury
- Vision, hearing, or mobility challenges

Available services include extended test time, quiet testing environments, tutoring, counseling and advising, alternate formats of materials (such as audio books or E-texts), assistive technology, on-campus transportation, and more. If you believe you might benefit from disability- or health-related services and accommodations, please contact [Student Accessibility Support Services \(SASS\)](#). If you are unsure whether you qualify, please contact SASS for a consultation: [sass@redwoods.edu](mailto:sass@redwoods.edu).

### SASS office locations and phone numbers

#### Eureka campus

- Phone: 707-476-4280
- Location: Student Services Building, first floor

#### Del Norte campus

- Phone: 707-465-2324
- Location: Main Building, next to the library

#### Klamath-Trinity campus

- Phone: 707-476-4280

## Student Support Services

Good information and clear communication about your needs will help you be successful. Please let your instructor 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.

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

### [CR Online Learning Support](#)

Tech support, laptop loans, guides to using Canvas, installing Office 365 for free, and more.

## [Library Articles & Databases](#)

Find the best library databases for your research.

## [Online Tutoring Resources](#)

Participate in tutoring over Zoom.

To learn more about the resources available to you, click on a title bar below, or click the down arrow to expand them all.

Klamath-Trinity students can contact the CR Klamath-Trinity Office for specific information about student support services at 530-625-4821.

# **Community College Student Health and Wellness**

## [National Suicide Prevention Lifeline](#)

If you are in distress or are with someone at risk right now, call or text the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline.

**Call the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline**  
1-800-273-TALK (8255)

**Text the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline**  
741-741

## [Timely Care](#)

When you're not feeling well physically or distressed mentally, Timely Care can offer the help you're looking for in just a few quick taps. Students can schedule an appointment anytime via phone, video, and chat. [Log in or set up an account with Timely Care.](#)

## [Mental Health Counseling](#)

Students should text, email, or fax Shawna Bell directly for scheduling and/or services.

- Text: 707-496-2856
- Email: shawnabmft@gmail.com
- Fax and voicemail: 707-237-2318

## [Wellness Central](#)

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 [Wellness Central](#).

## Counseling

[Counseling and Advising](#) can assist students in need of academic advising and professional counseling services. Call, email or stop by one of our offices to make an appointment!

### Counseling and Advising office locations and contact info

#### Eureka campus

- Phone: 707-476-4150
- Location: Student Services Building, first floor
- Email: [counseling@redwood.edu](mailto:counseling@redwood.edu)
- Hours: Monday through Friday, 9am to 4pm. Summer hours may vary

#### Del Norte campus

- Phone: 707-476-2300
- Location: Main Building, next to the library
- Hours: Summer hours may vary

#### Klamath-Trinity campus

- Phone: 530-625-4821
- Email: [KT-staff@redwoods.edu](mailto:KT-staff@redwoods.edu)
- Hours: Summer hours may vary

## Basic Needs Center

[The Basic Needs Center](#) provides for the health and safety of students by providing access to healthy food, financial resources, and referrals to safe and secure housing. [Submit a request for services and information.](#)

#### Basic Needs Center contact info

- Phone: 707-476-4153
- Email: [the-grove@redwoods.edu](mailto:the-grove@redwoods.edu)

## Learning Resource Center

The Learning Resource Center includes the following resources for students:

### Library Services

[Library Services](#) promotes information literacy and provides organized information resources.

### Multicultural and Equity Center (MCE)

The [Multicultural and Equity Center](#) is a dynamic and inclusive place that supports all students in their academic and personal journeys at the college. We do this by creating community, home away from home, and a safe place for cultural expression, cross-cultural learning, access to college and dignity resources, and social justice work opportunities. The MEC is committed to retention and student success

by offering activities related to leadership development, student connectedness and student equity. We are a student-centered program that fosters respect for all people.

### Academic Support Center

The [Academic Support Center](#) offers tutoring and test proctoring for CR students.

### Student Tech Help

[Student Tech Help](#) provides students with assistance around a variety of tech problems.

## Extended Opportunity Programs and Services (EOPS)

[Extended Opportunity Programs and Services](#) (EOPS) provides services to eligible income disadvantaged students including: textbook awards, grants, career academic and personal counseling, transportation assistance, tutoring, laptop, calculator and textbook loans, priority registration, graduation cap and gown, workshops, and more!

## TRiO Student Success Program

The TRiO Student Support Services Program provides eligible students with a variety of services including academic advising, career assessments, assistance with transfer, and peer mentoring. Students can apply for the program with the [Eureka TRiO office](#) or the [Del Norte TRiO office](#).

## Veterans Resource Center

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.

## CalWORKS

California Work Opportunity & Responsibility to Kids ([CalWORKs](#)) provides supportive services to student parents with children under the age of 18, who are receiving cash assistance (TANF benefits), to become self-sufficient. Services include: transportation assistance, basic student supplies, tutoring, priority registration, laptop and calculator loans, career, academic, and personal counseling, and more!

## Required Textbook

**Adapting Early childhood Curricula for Children with Disabilities and Special Needs**, by Ruth E. Cook, M. Diane Klein, and Deborah Chen, 10<sup>th</sup> Edition which is available through the CR Bookstore.

## Evaluation & Grading Policy

Course grades, and specific comments about assignments, may be accessed at any time during the semester by clicking on the *Grades* link in the navigation bar. Accuracy, clarity, and appropriateness of the work completed determine the grade for all assessments. Grades are based on the points you earn and all points in the class contribute toward your total percentage, which can be viewed at any time during the course in the *Grades* link.

The following policies apply to late work during our time together:

- 1) One missed discussion will be accepted for 50% of the original value and should be emailed to the professor.
- 2) You may request that 1 missing quiz be reopened the final week of class.
- 3) Assignments (other than discussions posts and quizzes) will receive a 5% reduction per day it is late.
- 4) If you know of an upcoming major life event that will create havoc with your schedule (i.e. you're about to give birth), please contact me at the beginning of the semester so we can discuss potential solutions before the assignment due dates. The late policies still apply, but we can discuss how you can complete your work in advance.

Important – please communicate concerns and questions with the instructor as soon as possible. We can work together to create a plan forward for almost any situation.

## Fall 2024 Dates

| Date        | To Remember   |
|-------------|---|
| August 23   | Last day to register for classes (day before the first class meeting) |
| August 24   | Classes begin   |
| August 30   | Last day to add a class   |
| September 2 | Labor Day Holiday (district wide closure)                             |
| September 6 | Last Day to Drop & Receive a Refund                                   |
| September 8 | Last Day to Drop w/out a "W"  |
| September 9 | Census Date (20% of class)  |
| October 31  | Last Day to Petition to Graduate & Petition for Certificate           |
| November 1  | Last Day for Student/Faculty Withdrawal                               |

| Date           | To Remember                                   |
|----------------|---|
| November 11    | Veteran's Day Holiday (District Wide Closure) |
| November 25-26 | Fall Break (No Classes)                       |
| November 27-29 | Thanksgiving Holiday (District Wide Closure)  |
| December 14-20 | Final Examinations                            |
| December 20    | Last Day to File P/NP Option                  |
| December 20    | Semester Ends                                 |
| December 27    | Grades Due                                    |
| January 3      | Grades Available for Transcript Release       |

## 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 [2023-2024 College Catalog](#) and [CR Board and Administrative Policies](#).

## AI Use Class Policy

Generative AI tools, such as ChatGPT and Google's Bard, are likely to be widely used in the workplace moving forward. It's important for you to understand how to use them ethically and effectively. For that reason, in this class, you will sometimes be invited to use such a tool in the completion of an assignment. In this class, using generative AI tools is not cheating if the outputs are screened by you for accuracy, bias, appropriateness, and fidelity to your perspective.

## 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. Additional information about the rights and responsibilities of students, Board policies, and administrative procedures is located in the

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## 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.

## Canvas Information

- Log into Canvas at [My CR Portal](#)
- For help logging in to Canvas and general tech help, visit [Student Technical Support](#)
- Once you're logged in to Canvas, you click on the Help icon on the left menu
- Canvas online orientation workshop: [Canvas Student Orientation Course](#)

### Setting Your Preferred Name and Pronouns in Canvas

Students have the ability to display personal pronouns and an alternate first name in Canvas. Students may change their pronouns on their own in Canvas (Account :: Settings :: Edit Settings). To request a change to your preferred list name, contact [Admissions & Records](#). 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 \(pdf\)](#).

## 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](#) and selecting 'Students' then 'Academic Profile' then 'Current Information Update.'

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

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.