



Fall 2025

# College of the Redwoods



## Course Information

Semester & Year: Fall 2025

Course ID & Section #number: ECE 11 V0276

Instructor's name: Michelle Hancock

Course units: 3



## Instructor Contact Information

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Communication is critical to the success of our class! You need answers to your questions in a timely manner to do your best on assignments and meet deadlines. Don't hesitate to contact

me if you can't find the answer to your question after reviewing our class syllabus, postings, or announcements. The best way to contact me is to either 1) send me an email, or 2) text me. I check email *at least* once a day, (usually more) except Weekends (messages returned on Monday). If you have not received a response in 24 hours, assume I have not received it, confirm the email address you used and try again, and/or a different method.

*Very important:* In all forms of communication, be sure to include your full name and the class you are enrolled in prior to asking your question. Remember, good communication is a two-way street. We will all need to work at it to make sure we communicate well during the semester. When we do, everyone benefits!



## Required Material

The free online textbook will be available in our Canvas modules.



## Catalog Description

A study of research-based approaches related to the care and education of infants and toddlers in group settings. Examines theories of learning and development, regulations, and essential practices that lead to quality care and developmentally appropriate curriculum and environments for children birth to 36 months. Emphasizes strategies to promote healthy relationships in the care and education of infants and toddlers. Note: This course meets the Community Care Licensing requirement for course work in Infant-Toddler Care. 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

- Summarize essential policies, regulations, and practices that define quality infant and toddler care and education.
- Use course-provided information to design individualized care strategies that promote relationships, development growth, and inclusion in infant and toddler settings.

- Evaluate infant and toddler curriculum and caregiving practices using observation, documentation, and reflection.



## Course Calendar

Week	Topic	Readings	What's Due
Week 1 August 25	Introductions	Syllabus and Overview of 3 Textbooks – Familiarize yourself with all 3	Introduction Posts (Tues/Sun) Note to Michelle (Tues) Introduction Quiz (Sun)
Week 2 September 1	Regulations/Standards: Licensing	Licensing Regulations (See Classroom)	Discussion Forums – Fri/Sun Content Quiz – Sun Key Points - Sun
Week 3 September 8	Regulations/Standards: NAEYC	NAEYC Program Standards (See Classroom)	Discussion Forums – Fri/Sun Content Quiz - Sun
Week 4 September 15	Regulations/Standards: Teacher Quals	Licensing Regulations (See Classroom)	Discussion Forums – Fri/Sun Content Quiz – Sun Key Points - Sun
Week 5 September 22	Quality Indicators	I/T L & D Program Guidelines 2-5	Discussion Forums – Fri/Sun Content Quiz – Sun Needs and Services Plan – Sun Key Points - Sun



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Week 6 September 29	Schedules and Routines	Virtual Lab School (See Classroom)	Discussion Forums – Fri/Sun Content Quiz – Sun Key Points - Sun
Week 7 October 6	Relationships – The Key	I/T L & D Prog. Guidelines 41-44, 66-70 ECE Competencies 29-36 I/T Foundations 7-13	Discussion Forums – Fri/Sun Teacher Interview - Sun Content Quiz – Sun Key Points - Sun
Week 8 October 13	Relationships – The Key	I/T Curriculum Framework 89-93, 68-74, 110-115, 132- 137	Discussion Forums – Fri/Sun Content Quiz – Sun Key Points - Sun
Week 9 October 20	Classroom Environments	ECE Competencies Pages 72-74	Discussion Forums – Fri/Sun Content Quiz – Sun Key Points - Sun
Week 10 October 27	Space and Design	Supplemental: Infant/Toddler Spaces	Discussion Forums – Fri/Sun Content Quiz – Sun Key Points - Sun
Week 11 September 3	Materials and Equipment	I/T Curriculum Framework 67-68, 88-89, 107-110, 130-132	Discussion Forums – Fri/Sun Classroom Design - Sun

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			Content Quiz – Sun Key Points - Sun
Week 12 November 10	Curriculum/Planning/ Assessment	I/T Curriculum Framework Pages 19-27	Discussion Forums – Fri/Sun Content Quiz – Sun Key Points - Sun
Week 13 November 17	Curriculum/Planning/ Assessment	I/T Curriculum Framework Pages 28-48	Discussion Forums – Fri/Sun Content Quiz – Sun Key Points - Sun
Week 14 December 1	Aesthetics/Adult Spaces	Supplemental Reading	Weekly Discussion (Fri/Sun) Journal Entry (Fri)
Week 15 December 8	An overview of Infant/ Toddler Development	I/T Foundations pages 43- 46, 59-64	Weekly Discussion (Fri/Sun) Reading Quiz (Sun) <b>Daily Health Checks (Sun)</b>
Week 16 December 15	Finals Week		Power Point Presentation



# 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 assignments. Remember, this is a college class, so college level work is expected. Standard font sizes, proper capitalization/punctuation, etc. A rubric will be provided for each assignment.

The following policies applied to **late work** during our time together:

- 1) One missing discussion post will be accepted from each student during the semester for 50%.
- 2) You may request 1 missing quiz be reopened the final week of class.
- 3) Assignments (other than discussion posts and tests) can be turned in for a reduction of 5% per day, so if you submit 2 days late, the score will be reduced by 10%.

If you know there will be a major event that is going to 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 the situation before it occurs. The late policies still apply, but we can discuss how you can complete your work in advance.



## Prerequisites / Co-requisites / Recommended Preparation

ECE 2 or ECE 31





## 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, or bipolar disorder
- 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

- Neurodevelopmental disorders such as a learning disability, intellectual disability, autism, acquired brain injury, or ADHD
- Vision, hearing, or mobility conditions

Available services include extended test time, quiet testing environments, academic assistance and tutoring through the **LIGHT Center** 

(<https://www.redwoods.edu/services/sass/light.php>), counseling and advising, alternate formats of course materials (e.g. audio books or E-texts), assistive technology, learning disability assessments, approval for personal attendants, interpreters, priority registration, on-campus transportation, adaptive physical education and living skills courses, and more. If you believe you might benefit from disability- or health-related services and accommodations, please contact **Student Accessibility Support Services (SASS)**  (<https://www.redwoods.edu/services/sass/index.php>).

If you are unsure whether you qualify, please contact SASS for a consultation: [SASS@redwoods.edu](mailto:SASS@redwoods.edu) (<mailto:SASS@redwoods.edu>).

## SASS office locations and phone numbers

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### Eureka campus

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- Phone: 707-476-4280,
- Locations: Student Services building, first floor SS113

### Del Norte campus

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- Phone: 707-465-2353
- Location: Main building, near the Library

### Klamath-Trinity campus

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- 707-476-4280



## Academic Integrity

In the academic community, the high value placed on truth implies a corresponding intolerance of scholastic dishonesty. In cases involving academic integrity, 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 a lack of academic integrity, 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 2024-2025 College Catalog and CR Board and Administrative Policies.



## AI Use Class Policy

Recent advancements in generative artificial intelligence (AI) have made large language models such as ChatGPT and Google's Bard widely available. However, overuse of these tools in this class can undermine your learning and curtail the development of your critical and creative thinking skills. In addition, AI outputs are often unreliable and frequently subject to bias. For these reasons, the policy of this class is that AI cannot be used at any point in the completion of class assignments, including discussion posts, journals and quizzes. Any or all of your assignment submissions and discussion posts may be screened by AI detection software, but the real penalty for AI misuse is that you will miss out on an opportunity to learn. If your assignment has a high AI content, you will receive a zero on the assignment. Essentially, make sure you do your own work, in your own words, with your own thoughts unless you include a citation in an appropriate assignment.

