### CHLD 90.4 Course Outline as of Spring 2002

## **CATALOG INFORMATION**

Dept and Nbr: CHLD 90.4 Title: INTRO TO CURRICULUM

Full Title: Introduction to Curriculum

Last Reviewed: 2/28/2022

Units		Course Hours per Week		Nbr of Weeks	<b>Course Hours Total</b>	
Maximum	3.00	Lecture Scheduled	3.00	17.5	Lecture Scheduled	52.50
Minimum	3.00	Lab Scheduled	0	17.5	Lab Scheduled	0
		Contact DHR	0		Contact DHR	0
		Contact Total	3.00		Contact Total	52.50
		Non-contact DHR	0		Non-contact DHR	0

Total Out of Class Hours: 105.00 Total Student Learning Hours: 157.50

Title 5 Category: AA Degree Applicable

Grading: Grade Only

Repeatability: 00 - Two Repeats if Grade was D, F, NC, or NP

Also Listed As:

Formerly: CHILD 90.4

### **Catalog Description:**

An introduction to planning age-appropriate curriculum for young children, including how to use the environment as a foundation for curriculum and how to plan and implement ongoing curriculum and activities based on a framework. This course emphasizes design and implementation of curriculum. Access to a supervised group of children is required.

# **Prerequisites/Corequisites:**

Chld 10 and Chld 51 OR 3 units of Chld 110 and Chld 51.

## **Recommended Preparation:**

Presently working with children.

#### **Limits on Enrollment:**

#### **Schedule of Classes Information:**

Description: An introduction to techniques of planning curriculum for young children, including how to use the environment as a foundation for curriculum and how to plan and implement ongoing curriculum and activities based on framework. This course emphasizes design and implementation of curriculum. Access to a supervised group of children is required. (Grade Only)

Prerequisites/Corequisites: Chld 10 and Chld 51 OR 3 units of Chld 110 and Chld 51.

Recommended: Presently working with children.

Limits on Enrollment: Transfer Credit: CSU;

Repeatability: Two Repeats if Grade was D, F, NC, or NP

## **ARTICULATION, MAJOR, and CERTIFICATION INFORMATION:**

AS Degree: Area Effective: Inactive: CSU GE: Transfer Area Effective: Inactive:

**IGETC:** Transfer Area Effective: Inactive:

**CSU Transfer:** Transferable Effective: Fall 1987 Inactive:

**UC Transfer:** Effective: Inactive:

CID:

CID Descriptor:ECE 130 Introduction to Curriculum

SRJC Equivalent Course(s): CHLD90.4

## **Certificate/Major Applicable:**

Certificate Applicable Course

## **COURSE CONTENT**

# **Outcomes and Objectives:**

Students will be able to:

- 1. develop and implement appropriate curriculum that reflects age and diversity of the children served.
- 2. create a thematic, integrated curriculum plan.
- 3. develop curriculum around a framework using the environment of the classroom for a foundation.
  - a. room arrangement
  - b. materials
  - c. interest areas
- 4. include the concept of emergent curriculum in a curriculum plan.
- 5. include play as a major element in curriculum design and implementation
- 6. develop a parent involvement component in curriculum

#### **Topics and Scope:**

- 1. Framework for planning curriculum
  - a. physical environment as a foundation of curriculum
  - b. how children learn through play
  - c. developmentally appropriate expectations for each age
  - d. the teacher's role in curriculum
    - 1) interacting with children (the interpersonal role)
    - 2) managing the classroom (safety, record keeping, meetings, parent conferences)

- 3) serving as a liaison to parents
- 4) observing and assessing children
- 5) planning and evlauating curriculum
- 6) developing personal qualities (self-awareness, proactivity)
- 7) developing professional qualities
  - a) solid foundation in ECE and Child Development body of knowledge
  - b) ongoing participation in continuing education
- 2. Planning curriculum to meet the needs of children
  - a. age appropriateness
  - b. emergent curriculum
  - c. antibias curriculum
- 3. Utilization of different curriculum models
  - a. thematic
  - b. emergent
  - c. developmental areas
  - d. project approach
- 4. How to plan curriculum
  - a. identifying goals and objectives that reflect children's age as well as individual learning.
  - b. planning monthly, weekly and daily for a designated age group
  - c. planning individual activities

### **Assignment:**

- 1. Observation and evaluation of program environment.
- 2. Development and implementation of age appropriate activities that are part of an integrated, thematic curriculum.
- 3. Develop a monthly, weekly and daily plan for a designated age group: IT, preschool and primary age children.
- 4. Read text and misc. handouts.
- 5. Prepare and present and evaluate appropriate activities to both children and to fellow classmates.
- 6. Plan curriculum utilizaing a variety of curriculum models.
- 7. Develop a parent involvement plan for program curriculum.

#### Methods of Evaluation/Basis of Grade:

**Writing:** Assessment tools that demonstrate writing skills and/or require students to select, organize and explain ideas in writing.

Written homework, Essay exams, Observation, written program and activity plans.

Writing 10 - 50%

**Problem Solving:** Assessment tools, other than exams, that demonstrate competence in computational or non-computational problem solving skills.

Homework problems

Problem solving 10 - 50%

**Skill Demonstrations:** All skill-based and physical demonstrations used for assessment purposes including skill performance exams.

Class performances

Skill Demonstrations 20 - 50%

**Exams:** All forms of formal testing, other than skill performance exams.

**ESSAY/SHORT ANSWER** 

Exams 30 - 50%

**Other:** Includes any assessment tools that do not logically fit into the above categories.

None

Other Category 0 - 0%

## **Representative Textbooks and Materials:**

The Creative Curriculum for Early Childhood Education, 3rd Ed., Diane Trister Dodge & Laura Colker, Teaching Strategies, Inc. ISBN - 1-879537-06-0