Eastern WV Community & Technical College Master Course Record

Course Prefix and Number: EDF 276

Course Title: Early Childhood Capstone

Recommended Transcript Title: Early Childhood Capstone

Date Approved/Revised: June 28, 2005

Credit Hours: 3

Contact hours per week (Based on 15 week term):

Lecture: Lab:

Prerequisite: Students must be enrolled in final semester and eligible for graduation.

Corequisite:
Pre/Corequisite:

Grading Mode: Letter Grade

Catalog Description: The Early Childhood Capstone course is designed to integrate coursework, technical skills and theory to demonstrate a mastery of concepts through application in a project. Students develop a project exploring a problem, opportunity or new trend in early childhood development. Students critically review the professional and educational experience through reading, study and the development of a project in collaboration with one or more of the following: advisor, instructor, agency representative, or other appropriately designated person(s). Students will research and analyze information from traditional and electronic sources using the results to assess the problem under investigation.

Course Outcomes:

Students will be able to:

- 1. Define a topic for critical investigation.
- 2. Identify critical issues impacting problem resolution.
- 3. Conduct a review of available literature.
- 4. Analyze and provide recommendations based on facts and available information from multiple sources.
- 5. Apply effective written communication skills.
- 6. Demonstrate practical application of critical reasoning skills.

Implementation Cycle: Fall/Spring

Role in College Curriculum: (Check all that apply)

General Education Core (Specify category)

E Technical Core (Specify Program) - Early Childhood Development

Restricted Elective (Specify program)

General Elective

Workforce Education

Other (Please specify)

Course Fee: None

Instructor's Qualifications: Masters Degree with a minimum of 18 credit hours in early childhood education or related experience.

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Date Prepared: /Revised: July 3, 2005

Date Course Approved by LOT: Program approved October 2003; Revisions approved July 8, 2005

Expanded Course Description:

The capstone course integrates coursework, knowledge, skills and experiential learning to demonstrate a broad mastery of learning across the curriculum through application to a project. Students develop a project exploring a problem, opportunity or new trend in Early Childhood Development. Students will research and analyze information from traditional and electronic sources using the results to present a written project.

This course is an independent study. All meetings are arranged by appointment. Contacts will be made via telephone and e-mail with scheduled meetings prior to major assignment submissions to discuss the assignment and address questions and overall project progress. Project guidelines will be provided to the student by the instructor.

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