Northwest Arkansas Community College

(Social & Behavioral Sciences Division)

Discipline Code

ECTC

Course Number

2703

Course Title

Preschool Curriculum

Catalog Description

This course is based on the foundation of research in child development and focuses on planning and implementing enriching environments with appropriate interactions and activities for young children (ages 3 to 5 years) including those with special needs, to maximize physical, cognitive, communication, creative, language/ literacy, and social/ emotional growth and development. Competencies are based on Standards developed by the National Association for the Education of Young Children for quality early childhood settings. Also covered: Information on the Quality Approval process and Accreditation for Early Childhood settings in Arkansas, now called Better Beginnings, and Arkansas Child Development and Early Learning Standards (CDELS).

Prerequisites

CHED 1003 & CHED 2033

Credit Hours

3 credit hours

Contact hours

45 contact hours

Load hours

3 load hours

Semesters Offered

Fall

ACTS Equivalent

N/A

Grade Mode

A-F

Learning Outcomes

Students completing this course will be able to:

- Advocate for developmentally appropriate practices in settings where preschool children are developing and learning
- Model developmentally appropriate environments and curriculum for parents and colleagues
- Define and describe developmentally appropriate practices for all preschoolers to families and colleagues, including environments, activities, schedules, and interactions
- Implement developmentally appropriate practices in a preschool setting

General Education Outcomes Supported

N/A

Standard Practices

Topics list

N/A

Learning activities

N/A

Assessments

N/A

Grading guidelines

N/A

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