South Central College

CDEV 1270 Learning Environment and Curriculum

Course Outcome Summary

Course Information

Description
This course presents an overview of skills to provide appropriate learning environments for young children. It examines the role of the teacher in providing learning experiences to meet each child's needs, capabilities, and interests, and ways to implement the principles of developmentally appropriate practices.

Total Credits 3
Total Hours 48

Types of Instruction

Instruction Type Credits/Hours
Lecture

Pre/Corequisites
CDEV1210 or concurrent

Institutional Core Competencies

Communication - Students will be able to demonstrate appropriate and effective interactions with others to achieve their personal, academic, and professional objectives.

Course Competencies

1. Examine developmentally appropriate environments

   Learning Objectives
   - Examine how environment relates to individual children
   - Explore environment designs that facilitate the development of a sense of trust in infants and a sense of autonomy in toddlers
   - Provides safe structures and experiences for infants and toddlers to move and explore the environment, with special attention to their current developmental challenges, such as crawling, standing, walking, climbing, pushing, and pulling
   - Examine environments that support children's physiological needs for activity, sensory stimulation, fresh air, rest, hygiene, elimination, and nourishment

2. Examine space, equipment, material, and supplies

   Learning Objectives
   - Explore cognitive development equipment, materials, and supplies
Explore dramatic play equipment, materials, and supplies
Explore large muscle equipment, materials, and supplies
Explore manipulative equipment, materials, and supplies
Explore sensory equipment, materials, and supplies

3. **Create environments that are developmentally appropriate**
   Learning Objectives
   - Examine environments that are designed to increase prosocial behaviors
   - Plan environments
   - Create environment
   - Evaluate environment
   - Redesign environment

4. **Design literacy learning center**
   Learning Objectives
   - Explore literacy environment
   - Examine manipulative/fine motor materials in literacy center
   - Design literacy environment
   - Select literacy materials and supplies

5. **Design mathematics and science learning centers**
   Learning Objectives
   - Discuss cognitive development
   - Design mathematics learning environment
   - Select mathematics materials and supplies
   - Design science learning centers
   - Select science materials and supplies

6. **Design art learning center**
   Learning Objectives
   - Review creative/aesthetic development
   - Examine art environments that ensure that all children have access to opportunities that allow for individual creative expression.
   - Design art learning centers
   - Select art materials and supplies

7. **Design sensory center**
   Learning Objectives
   - Review sensory-motor development
   - Examine block play learning experiences
   - Examine construction learning spaces and materials
   - Examine sand/water learning materials
   - Select sensory equipment, materials, and supplies

8. **Explore music and movement**
   Learning Objectives
   - Examine music learning equipment, materials, and supplies
   - Examine indoor/outdoor environments that promotes movement
   - Examine movement equipment, materials, and supplies

9. **Explore dramatic play equipment, materials, and supplies**
   Learning Objectives
   - Explore dramatic play environment
   - Examine materials in dramatic play center
   - Design dramatic play environment
   - Select materials and supplies for dramatic play area

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