Course Description:
1) A study of the child, family, community, and schools, including parent education and involvement, family and community lifestyles, child abuse, and current family life issues;
2) course content must be aligned as applicable with State Board for Educator Certification Pedagogy and Professional Responsibilities standards;
3) requires students to participate in field experiences with children from infancy through age 12 in a variety of settings with varied and diverse populations; and
4) course includes a minimum of 16 hours of field experiences.

Semester Hours: 3

Lecture/Lab Hours: The class meets for three (3) lecture hours and one (1) hours of lab per week

Prerequisite: None required


Course Outcomes: Upon completion of this course, the student will be able to:
1. Discuss contributions of key historical and contemporary theorists to the field of early childhood education.
2. Explain the features of a developmentally appropriate program for young children.
3. Define development and define each of the four basic developmental areas.
4. Describe the types of early childhood programs.
5. Analyze future trends and issues in the early childhood profession.
6. Demonstrate an understanding of the characteristics and developmental stages of an early childhood professional.

Teaching Methods:
Lecture, discussions, videos and group activities

Evaluation Method: Will be based on the following criteria
- Assignments 20%
- Chapter Questions 15%
- Tests and Final 30%
- Field Experience 20%
- PowerPoint Presentation 10%
- Attendance 5%
Student Contribution: Each student is expected to be self-motivated and spend three (3) hours per week preparing for class. Attendance is crucial for success in the course. Students are expected to be punctual out of courtesy for others, but also to ensure that they will not miss out on important announcements or be late for tests, or special activities. Habitual lateness and absenteeism will affect the student’s participation grade. Student may be dropped from the course after (3) consecutive or unexcused absences.

Student Learning Outcomes:
Utilizing teamwork and personal responsibility in discussion identify 4 types of child abuse.

Target: 90% of students after watching video will identify 4 types of child abuse with 70 accuracy or better.

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See at: GL (Legal)

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For more information, contact: in Alice at sdalice@coastalbend.edu; Beeville at sdbeeville@coastalbend.edu; Kingsville at sdkingsville@coastalbend.edu; and Pleasanton at sdpleasanton@coastalbend.edu.

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See at: FLB (Local) and FM (Local).

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