



STARK STATE COLLEGE

GENERAL SYLLABUS

Course Information

Course Name: Introduction to Early Childhood Education
Course Number: EDU121

Required Materials

Textbook(s): Gordon, A.M. & Browne, K.W. (2016). Beginning Essentials in Early Childhood Education. Boston, Massachusetts. Cengage Learning – 3rd Edition The class textbook is available through instant access in Brightspace. You will have a digital textbook available the first day of class by using the link provided in Blackboard. The cost of the textbook was included. You will NOT need to purchase a textbook on your own.

Required Readings: None

Additional Materials: None

Course Outline/Calendar

The date of coverage and order of coverage may be modified based on the faculty member and events beyond the control of faculty members that interfere with class times and teaching.

16 Week Calendar

Week	Chapter/Topic/Lab
1	Introductions & Syllabus and Observation Information Chapter 1: History & Current Issues of Early Childhood Education Assignments due in Brightspace Syllabus Discussion Discussion on convenient time to complete observations and OCCRRA & BCI info
2	Chapter 1: History & Current Issues of Early Childhood Education <u>Assignments due in Blackboard</u> Quiz Chapter 1 Chapter 1 Assignment
3	Review Chapter 1 and Chapter 2: Types of Programs Assignments due in Brightspace Quiz Chapter 2 3 Observation Research papers due on the 3 schools we will visit as a class

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4	Chapter 3: Defining the Child Assignments due in Brightspace Quiz Chapter 3 Chapter 3 Assignment
5	Stark State College Career Services Visit Theorist presentation explained Assignments due in Brightspace Career Assessment Quiz and Reflection Teacher video reflection #1 of your choice
6	Chapter 4 Developmental and Learning Theories Assignments due in Brightspace Observation Packet for observation #1 due Choose Theorist and begin working on the theorist presentation due Quiz Chapter 4
7	Chapter 5: Teaching- lecture Assignments due in Brightspace Continue working on the theorist presentation due in class Chapter 5 Assignment Quiz Chapter 5
8	Theorist Presentations in class and Peer Feedback due during class- attendance required. Assignments due in Brightspace
9	Chapter 6: Observation and Assessment and Chapter 7: Guidance Essentials Pick a partner for childcare poster project, exchange phone numbers Assignments due in Brightspace Observation Packet for observation #2 due Quiz Chapter 6 Quiz Chapter 7
10	Lecture Chapter 8: Families and Teachers: An Essential Partnership Brainstorm with your partner for poster project. Discuss childcare center research from week 3 regarding parent partnerships as a guide for the parent section. Discuss “high quality” environments in the past class site observations. Sketch a poster outline and a list of materials (cut-outs shapes, color photos, poster border, etc....) that can be found next week in the ECRC production lab. Poster due in class Assignments due in Brightspace Upload a photo of your sketch and materials list Quiz Chapter 8
11	Meet at the Early Childhood Resource Center during class time Address: 1718 Cleveland Ave NW, Canton, OH 44703 Take notes during the visit from the director and tour. One question from every student is required- work with your partner here today on the poster <u>Assignments due in Brightspace</u> Teacher video reflection #2 of your choice

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	ECRC Tour Reflection paper
12	Chapter 9: Creating Environments Assignments due in Brightspace Work with your partner on the Quality Child Care Poster Advertisement due Observation Packet for observation #3 due
13	NOW DUE: Presentations: Poster Sharing During Class- attendance required Choose a journal article from the professional journals in class to read and write your article critique due Work on your favorite observation site presentation due finals week in class Assignments due in Brightspace Quiz chapter 9 Observation Packet for observation #4 due
14	Chapter 10: Curriculum Essentials Assignments due in Brightspace Article Summary and Critique Work on your favorite observation site presentation due finals week in class Observation Packet for observation #5 due
15	Early Childhood Favorite Site Presentations- individual presentation Points awarded for attendance Assignments due in Brightspace Observation Packet for observation #6 due Chapter 10 Quiz Chapter 10 Assignment
16	No class- one assignment due in Blackboard Assignments due in Brightspace Teacher video reflection #3 of your choice