

MASTER COURSE OUTLINE

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COURSE TITLE Inclusive Education

GENERAL COURSE INFORMATION

Dept.: EDUC&Course Num: 204CIP Code: 13.1202Intent Code: 21Credits: 5Total Contact Hrs Per Qtr.: 55Lecture Hrs: 55Lab Hrs:Distribution Designation: General Elective (GE)

(Formerly:) Program Code: 402

Other Hrs:

COURSE DESCRIPTION (as it will appear in the catalog)

Introductory course in recognition and identification of exceptionality in children from birth through high school. Includes policies and regulations concerning state and federal provisions of special education and related services, as well as adaptations for serving students with special needs in general education classrooms. Course may include fieldwork.

PREREQUISITES

None

TEXTBOOK GUIDELINES

Allen, E., & Cowdery, G. E. (2014). *The Exceptional Child: Inclusion in Early Childhood Education*, 8th edition. Or other appropriate texts as determined by instructor/department

COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES

Upon successful completion of the course, students should be able to demonstrate the following knowledge or skills.

- 1. Discuss the history, policies, and competencies that guide special education in the State of Washington.
- Recognize core concepts and values that are essential to special education including confidentiality, person-first language, family-centered and culturally responsive practice, natural environments, inclusion, and least restrictive environments.
- 3. Identify the milestones of human development and risk factors that may impact development.
- Explain the IFSP/IEP/504/RTI/Transition Plan sequence as carried out in the education setting. Describe evidence-based techniques and adaptations for supporting culturally, linguistically, and ability diverse children and their families.

INSTITUTIONAL OUTCOMES

IO1 **Communication**: Students will be able to communicate clearly and effectively within a workplace context

COURSE CONTENT OUTLINE

- 1. An Inclusive Approach to Early Education
- 2. Federal Legislation: Early Intervention and Prevention

- 3. Inclusive Programs for Young Children
- 4. Normal and Exceptional Development
- 5. Developmental Disabilities: Causes and Classifications
- 6. Sensory Impairments: Hearing and Vision
- 7. Physical Disabilities and Health Problems
- 8. Learning and Behavior Disorders
- 9. Partnership with Families
- 10. Assessment and the IFSP/IEP process
- 11. Characteristics of Effective Teachers in Inclusive Programs
- 12. The Developmental-Behavioral Approach
- 13. Arranging the Learning Environment
- 14. Facilitating Self-Care, Adaptive, and Independence Skills
- 15. Facilitating Social Development
- 16. Facilitating Speech, Language, and Communication Skills
- 17. Facilitating Pre-Academic and Cognitive Learning
- 18. Managing Challenging Behaviors
- 19. Planning Transitions to Support Inclusion

DEPARTMENTAL GUIDELINES (optional)

Course may include, but not limited to the following activities:

- 1. Student presentations on various topics outlined in textbook
- 2. Washington State Early Learning Guidelines
- 3. Summaries of articles from professional journals, magazines, or websites
- 4. Quizzes/assessments of student's knowledge
- 5. Review of Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA)
- 6. Observations in self-contained special education and least restrictive classroom environments (B-3, 3-5 and K-12 classrooms)
- 7. Interview special education teacher
- 8. Interview parent of a child with a disability
- 9. Attend parent meeting for children with special needs (Autism support group, Parent-to-Parent, etc.)
- 10. Field trip to Autism Therapy Services
- 11. Guest speakers (e.g. ESIT program-IFSP process, SPED Director-IEP process, Autism Therapy Services)
- 12. Reflections of student learning
- 13. Review of NAEYC Code of Ethical Conduct
- 14. Review of PESB Paraeducator and PESB Teacher Standards
- 15. Video clips to reinforce specific skills

DIVISION CHAIR APPROVAL

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