

Northern Virginia Community College 2009-2010 Catalog

EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT

Associate of Applied Science Degree

AL, LO, MA

Purpose: The curriculum is designed for persons who seek employment involving the care and education of young children, or for those persons presently employed in these situations who wish to update and enhance their competencies. Occupational opportunities include program leaders, supervisors, and/or directors in child development programs.

| Two Years | | Credits |
|----------------------|---|--------------|
| 1st Semester | | |
| CHD | 118 Language Arts for Young Children | 3 |
| CHD | 120 Intro to Early Childhood Education | 3 |
| CHD | 145 Teaching Art, Music and Movement to Children | 3 |
| ENG | 111 College Composition I | 3 |
| PSY | 235 Child Psychology | 3 |
| SDV | Elective | <u>1</u> |
| | Total | 16 |
| 2nd Semester | | |
| CHD | 119 Introduction to Reading Methods | 3 |
| CHD | 165 Observation/Participation/Early Childhood/Primary Settings | 3 |
| CHD | 166 Infant and Toddler Programs | 3 |
| CHD | 205 Guiding the Behavior of Children | 3 |
| ENG | 112 College Composition II | 3 |
| ¹ PED/RPK | Elective | 1 |
| ¹ PED | 116 Lifetime Fitness & Wellness | <u>1</u> |
| | Total | 17 |
| 3rd Semester | | |
| CHD | 146 Math, Science, Social Studies for Children | 3 |
| CHD | 210 Introduction to Exceptional Children | 3 |
| CHD | 215 Models of Early Childhood Education Programs | 3 |
| CHD | 216 Early Childhood Programs, School and Social Change | 3 |
| EDU | 235 Health, Safety, and Nutrition Education | 3 |
| ² ___ | Humanities/Fine Arts elective | <u>3</u> |
| | Total | 18 |
| 4th Semester | | |
| CHD | 265 Adv. Observation/Participation/Early Childhood/Primary Settings | 3 |
| CHD | 270 Administration of Child Care Programs | 3 |
| CHD | 298 Seminar and Project (Portfolio) | 1 |
| CST | 100 Principles of Public Speaking | 3 |
| ³ MTH | 151 Math for Liberal Arts I or Laboratory Science Elective | 3-4 |
| ⁴ ___ | Social Science Elective | <u>3</u> |
| | Total | 16-17 |

Total credits for the A.A.S. Degree in Early Childhood Development = 67- 68

¹ The PED requirement may be met by one of the following options: PED 116, 2 cr.; PED 116, 1 cr. plus a PED activities course, 1 cr.; or PED 116, 1 cr. plus RPK activities course. PED 116 is offered as both a 1-credit and a 2-credit course.

² Humanities/fine arts elective may be selected from the humanities/fine arts courses listed under General Education Electives.

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³ The laboratory science elective may be selected from biology, chemistry, physics, geology, or natural science courses with a lab component, listed under General Education Electives. Some four-year colleges require a two-semester sequence.

⁴ The social science elective may be selected from the social/behavioral sciences courses listed under General Education Electives.