

**NOVA COLLEGE-WIDE COURSE CONTENT SUMMARY**  
**CHD 145 – TEACHING ART, MUSIC, AND MOVEMENT TO CHILDREN (3 CR.)**

**Course Description**

Focuses on children's exploration, play, and creative expression in the areas of art, music, and movement. Emphasis will be on developing strategies for using various open-ended media representing a range of approaches in creative thinking. Addresses strategies for intervention and support for exceptional children and English Language Learners. Lecture 3 hours. Total 3 hours per week.

**General Course Purpose**

To prepare the student to provide for the development of children's creativity in art, music and movement using materials and activities which promote thinking and exploration of materials and concepts.

**Course Prerequisites/Corequisites**

Functional literacy in the English language; reading at the 12th grade level.

**Course Objectives**

Upon completing the course, the student will be able to:

- Describe the developmental characteristics of young children as they relate to the areas of art, music and movement.
- Explain the value of play based learning.
- Analyze lesson plans for developmentally appropriateness, alignment between standards, objectives, activities, and assessment.
- Create developmentally appropriate lesson plans aligned with the current standards in art, music, and movement for young children.
- Describe and analyze techniques for differentiated instruction and process learning in the areas of art, music and movement.
- Explain the importance of culturally diverse activities in the areas of art, music and movement.
- Describe and analyze techniques for adapting art, music and movement instruction for all learners
- Explain the value for ongoing, authentic assessment in art, music and movement activities with children.
- Describe and analyze techniques for including and communicating with families.
- Identify and apply current State and National standards and competencies as they relate to working with children and families.

**Major Topics to be Included**

- Play, development and creativity
- Creative environments
- Varieties of media appropriate for young children
- Partnering and Communicating with Families
- Developmentally appropriate creative activities in art, music, and movement experiences.