

Early Childhood Coursework (PDO)

ECE Workforce



Spring 2023 Semester Courses

March 20th to May 12th

- **ECE 211 – Introduction to Infant & Toddler Development** (1 credit) - This course introduces infant-toddler development from birth – 36 months, focusing on the importance of these first years of brain development and the role that relationships play in building brain architecture. The course is designed as modules introducing the relationship-based approach as a lens for creating responsive early childhood experiences for infants and toddlers. It also covers introductory material on family systems and parenting; observation as a tool for assessing development; and genetics & prenatal development.
- **ECE 212 - Infant-Toddler Growth** (1 credit, Co-Req; Pre-Req: ECE 211) - This course explores the fundamentals of infant and toddler development across the domains of emotional, social, cognitive, language and motor learning. The material in this course draws upon the foundations introduced in ECE 211, continuing the use the relationship-based approach as a lens to examine and understand the tremendous developmental changes occurring in the first 36 months of life. This course is constructed into 5 modules covering developmental milestones within the context of brain development and focuses on why certain early education practices support or hinder a young child's learning.
- **ECE 203 – Connecting Culturally Sustaining Pedagogy to ECE** (1 credit) -This course explores the fundamental scholarship related to childhood development, through the lens of Culturally Relevant and Sustaining Pedagogy. Specifically, this course argues that intersecting proponents of Culturally Relevant and Sustaining Pedagogy to the teaching practices, programming, and infrastructure of early childhood programs, is a critical component to the holistic success of young children. Therefore, this course explicitly focuses on equity, attitude, assumptions, and knowledge base regarding Culturally Relevant and Sustaining Pedagogy.

NOTE: The courses will be offered fully online using Cabrini's Blackboard Learning Management System. You can sign up for 1, 2, or all the classes. Applications are due by **Wednesday, March 15, 2023.**

All application materials must be completed with all required information in order to be enrolled. Students will receive support and should realize that there is work associated with the 1 credit classes that is spread out over the weeks in a manageable format.

