

NorthWest Arkansas Community College
Division of Social and Behavioral Sciences, Education and
Wellness, Legal and Protective Services

CHED 1201 (Field Experience)

Catalog Description:

This course provides students with an introduction to the types of programs that employ graduates of Early Childhood Development programs. Students complete a total of 20 hours working in a variety of settings with infant to school-age children.

Co-requisites: CHED 1203.

Credit Hours/Contact Hours/Load Hours:

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Course Objectives:

- Demonstrate their knowledge of developmentally appropriate practices in their journal entries and observation entries completed at the approved childcare facilities. (NAEYC 1a, 1b, 1c, 4b, SS1, 3, 4)
- Evaluate early childhood environments for developmentally appropriateness using available tools and knowledge of early childhood education. (NAEYC 1, 3,4b, 4d, 5)
- Apply new knowledge regarding how children grow and learn in a childcare setting designed for children Birth through Pre-kindergarten, including children with special needs (NAEYC 1a, 1b, 4c, 4d)
- Demonstrate knowledge of a variety of observational and authentic assessment options and their appropriate use with children Birth through Pre-kindergarten, including children with special needs (NAEYC 3a, 3b, 3c, 3d)

Learning Outcomes:

The students will be able to apply knowledge of developmentally appropriate practices and developmental stages of children in practical applications as they assess children, plan learning environments, and create activities and lesson plans for a group of children (and individual children within that group). Students will complete homework assignments and projects with a combined grade of 70 percent or better.