

**Northwest Arkansas Community College**  
(Social & Behavioral Sciences Division)

**Discipline Code**

ECTC

**Course Number**

2903

**Course Title**

Future Perspectives in Early Childhood

**Catalog Description**

This course focuses on current trends, issues, and research in the field of early childhood and child development. Students will research and inform fellow students about a current trend, issue, or research. Students will develop a professional portfolio based on the NAEYC Associate Degree Standards, and they will use critical thinking skills as they relate to using the NAEYC Code of Ethical Conduct. It is recommended that this course be taken the semester that the student will graduate with an AAS degree in Early Childhood.

**Prerequisites**

CHED 1033, 1201, 1203 & 2033 or instructor consent

**Credit Hours**

3 credit hours

**Contact hours**

45 contact hours

**Load hours**

3 load hours

**Semesters Offered**

Spring

**ACTS Equivalent**

N/A

**Grade Mode**

A-F

**Learning Outcomes**

Students completing this course will:

- Describe and/or explain developmentally appropriate experiences for children birth through Pre-kindergarten including children with special needs.

- Develop a professional portfolio following NAEYC Standards for Associate Degree
- Programs
- Apply the NAEYC Code of Ethical Conduct to their professional characteristics
- Use current research to support developmentally appropriate strategies in the classroom while working with children Birth through Pre-kindergarten, including children with special needs.
- Provide evidence of membership in professional organizations related to the early childhood field.

## **General Education Outcomes Supported**

- N/A

## **Standard Practices**

### **Topics list**

- N/A

### **Learning activities**

- N/A

### **Assessments**

- N/A

## **Grading guidelines**

- N/A

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