

CREATIVE EXPERIENCES/YOUNG CHILDREN

I. Course Information:

- Title: Creative Experiences for Young Children
- Division: Education/Humanities
- Course Number: ECE 2113
- Prerequisites: None
- Credit Hours: 3 hrs
- Textbook: Creative Activities for Young Children by Mary Mayesky; 9th ed; Delmar: Cengage. 2009

II. Course Description: This course is a study of constructing and maintaining an environment for young children that fosters aesthetic sensitivity and creativity. It focuses on the selection, construction, and use of materials, activities, and experiences that encourage the young child's creativity in the visual arts, music, body movement, dramatic play, language, science, mathematics, nutrition, social studies, and health and safety curriculum areas.

III. Learning Outcomes: Students will:

- a. Describe the roles of creativity and aesthetics in the child's overall development.
- b. Plan developmentally appropriate creative curriculum that addresses the individual child's physical, social, emotional, and cognitive needs.
- c. Describe an appropriate physical environment for creative experiences.
- d. Plan, present and evaluate creative experiences
- e. Explain the teacher's role as a facilitator of children's creative experiences
- f. Choose materials that have good aesthetic and creative potential