



**CAP Lower Division Eight Courses and Student Learning Outcomes Indexed with the
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Course: Child, Growth, and Development

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<p align="center">Course: Child, Growth, And Development</p>	<p align="center"> Physical Development</p>
<p>Analyze major developmental milestones for children from conception through adolescence in the areas of physical, psychosocial, cognitive, and language development using standard research methodologies.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Learning Experience 6 • Learning Experience 9 • Learning Experience 10
<p>Analyze how cultural, economic, political, historical contexts affect children’s development.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Learning Experience 8 • Learning Experience 13
<p>Compare and contrast various theoretical frameworks that relate to the study of human development.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Learning Experience 7
<p>Apply developmental theory to the analysis of child observations, surveys, and/or interviews using investigative research methodologies.</p>	
<p>Differentiate characteristics of typical and atypical development at various stages.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Learning Experience 1 • Learning Experience 11 • Learning Experience 12
<p>Analyze the importance of the early years and the interaction between maturational processes and social/environmental factors and the effects on various areas of development.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Learning Experience 2 • Learning Experience 3 • Learning Experience 4 • Learning Experience 5 • Learning Experience 7
<p>Additional Specific CAP Objectives and Course Content/Topics – See Appendix A</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Learning Experiences 1 through 13

Note to faculty: See Appendix A for a detailed list of the CAP Student Learning Outcomes and objectives indicated for this instructional guide’s domains and learning experiences.



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<p align="center">Course: Child, Family, And Community</p>	<p align="center"> Physical Development</p>
<p>Analyze theories of socialization that address the interrelationship of child, family and community.</p>	
<p>Critically assess how educational, political, and socioeconomic factors directly impact the lives of children and families.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Learning Experience 7
<p>Synthesize and analyze research regarding social issues, changes and transitions that affect children, families, schools and communities.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Learning Experience 6
<p>Critique strategies that support and empower families through respectful, reciprocal relationships to involve all families in their children’s development and learning.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Learning Experience 9
<p>Critically assess community support services and agencies that are available to community and families.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Learning Experience 2
<p>Analyze one’s own values, goals and sense of self as related to family history and life experiences, assessing how this impacts relationships with children and families.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Learning Experience 8
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Course: Introduction to Curriculum

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<p align="center">Course: Introduction to Curriculum</p>	<p> Physical Development</p>
<p>1. Investigate and apply developmentally appropriate principles and teaching strategies to positively influence all young children’s development and acquisition of knowledge and skills.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Learning Experience 1 • Learning Experience 6 • Learning Experience 7 • Learning Experience 11 • Learning Experience 12 • Learning Experience 13
<p>2. Evaluate the teachers’ role in providing best and promising practices in early childhood programs.</p>	
<p>3. Compare and contrast play-based curriculum that supports children’s cognitive, language, creative, physical and social/emotional development.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Learning Experience 2 • Learning Experience 3 • Learning Experience 4 • Learning Experience 5 • Learning Experience 12
<p>4. Design and implement curriculum based on observation and assessment to support play and learning using developmental, inclusive and anti-bias principles in collaboration with families to support <i>all</i> children.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Learning Experience 8 • Learning Experience 9 • Learning Experience 10
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Course: Principles and Practices of Teaching Young Children

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<p align="center">Course: Principles and Practices of Teaching Young Children</p>	<p align="center"> Physical Development</p>
<p>Interpret best and promising teaching and care practices as defined within the field of early care and education’s history, range of delivery systems, program types and philosophies and ethical standards.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Learning Experience 6 • Learning Experience 7
<p>Identify the underlying theoretical perspective in forming a professional philosophy.</p>	
<p>Assess early childhood settings, curriculum, and teaching strategies utilizing indicators of quality early childhood practice that support all children including those with diverse characteristics and their families.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Learning Experience 8 • Learning Experience 9 • Learning Experience 13
<p>Examine the value of play as a vehicle for developing skills, knowledge, dispositions, and strengthening relationships among young children.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Learning Experience 2 • Learning Experience 3 • Learning Experience 4 • Learning Experience 5 • Learning Experience 10
<p>Examine a variety of guidance and interaction strategies to increase children’s social competence and promote a caring classroom community.</p>	
<p>Analyze the relationship between observation, planning, implementation and assessment in developing effective teaching strategies and positive learning and development.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Learning Experience 1 • Learning Experience 11 • Learning Experience 12
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Course: Observation and Assessment

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<p align="center">Course: Observation and Assessment</p>	<p> Physical Development</p>
<p>1. Critically compare the purpose, value and use of formal and informal observation and assessment strategies and ethical implications within cultural and social contexts in early childhood settings.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Learning Experience 1 • Learning Experience 6 • Learning Experience 10 • Learning Experience 11
<p>2. Describe and evaluate the characteristics, strengths and limitations of common assessment tools with all children’s developmental, cultural and linguistic characteristics.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Learning Experience 13
<p>3. Demonstrate systematic observation methods to provide data to assess the impact of the environment, interactions and curriculum on all domains of children’s learning and development.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Learning Experience 10
<p>4. Assess the value of partnerships with families and other professionals in utilizing interpretations of observational data to inform teaching responses and strategies.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Learning Experience 7 • Learning Experience 9
<p>5. Embed activities related to assessment within play-based environments, curriculum and care routines for typically and atypically developing children.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Learning Experience 1 • Learning Experience 3 • Learning Experience 4 • Learning Experience 5 • Learning Experience 11 • Learning Experience 12
<p>Additional Specific CAP Objectives and Course Content/Topics – See Appendix A</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Learning Experience 1 • Learning Experience 3 • Learning Experience 4 • Learning Experience 5 • Learning Experience 6



Course: Observation and Assessment – Continued

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<p align="center">Course: Observation and Assessment – Continued</p> <p>Additional Specific CAP Objectives and Course Content/Topics – Continued See Appendix A</p>	<p> Physical Development</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Learning Experience 7 • Learning Experience 9 • Learning Experience 10 • Learning Experience 11 • Learning Experience 12 • Learning Experience 13



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Course: Health, Safety, and Nutrition

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<p align="center">Course: Health, Safety, and Nutrition</p>	<p> Physical Development</p>
<p>Assess strategies to maximize the mental and physical health of children and adults in programs for all young children in accordance with culturally, linguistic and developmentally sound practice.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Learning Experience 10
<p>Identify health, safety, and environmental risks in children’s programs.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Learning Experience 2 • Learning Experience 5
<p>Analyze the nutritional needs of children at various ages and evaluate the relationship between healthy development and nutrition.</p>	
<p>Evaluate regulations, standards, policies and procedures related to health, safety, and nutrition in support of young children, teachers and families.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Learning Experience 5 • Learning Experience 6 • Learning Experience 7 • Learning Experience 8
<p>Distinguish aspects of quality in programs for young children as related to health and safety, acknowledging the value of collaboration with families and the community.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Learning Experience 9
<p>Additional Specific CAP Objectives and Course Content/Topics – See Appendix A</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Learning Experience 2 • Learning Experience 5 • Learning Experience 6 • Learning Experience 7 • Learning Experience 8 • Learning Experience 9 • Learning Experience 10



Course: Teaching in a Diverse Society


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<p align="center">Course: Teaching in a Diverse Society</p>	<p align="center"> Physical Development</p>
<p>Critique theories and review the multiple impacts on young children’s social identity.</p>	
<p>Analyze various aspects of children’s experience as members of families targeted by social bias considering the significant role of education in reinforcing or contradicting such experiences.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Learning Experience 7 • Learning Experience 8 • Learning Experience 9
<p>Critically assess the components of linguistically and culturally relevant, inclusive, age-appropriate, anti-bias approaches in promoting optimum learning and development.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Learning Experience 6 • Learning Experience 13
<p>Evaluate the impact of personal experiences and social identity on teaching effectiveness.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Learning Experience 2
<p>Additional Specific CAP Objectives and Course Content/Topics – See Appendix A</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Learning Experience 2 • Learning Experience 6 • Learning Experience 7 • Learning Experience 8 • Learning Experience 9 • Learning Experience 13



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Course: Practicum-Field Experience

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<p align="center">Course: Practicum-Field Experience</p>	<p> Physical Development</p>
<p>Integrate understandings of children’s development and needs to develop and maintain healthy, safe, respectful, supportive and challenging learning environments for all children.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Learning Experience 3 • Learning Experience 4 • Learning Experience 5 • Learning Experience 7 • Learning Experience 12
<p>Evaluate the effectiveness of early childhood curriculum, classroom, teaching strategies and how teachers involve families in their children’s development and learning to improve teaching practices for all children.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Learning Experience 2 • Learning Experience 6 • Learning Experience 8 • Learning Experience 13
<p>Design, implement and evaluate curriculum activities that are based on observation and assessment of young children.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Learning Experience 1 • Learning Experience 10 • Learning Experience 11
<p>Apply a variety of effective approaches, strategies and techniques supporting positive relationships with children and adults.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Learning Experience 9 • Learning Experience 13
<p>Critically assess one’s own teaching experiences to guide and inform practice.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Learning Experience 7
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