

**George Mason University  
College of Education and Human Development  
Early Childhood Education**

ECED 491.DL1 Seminar in Early Childhood Education for Diverse Learners  
3 Credits, Spring 2024, Online Bichronous  
1/16/2024-5/8/2024; Wednesdays/ 4:30-7:10 pm  
(Synchronous online meetings: 1/17, 1/31, 2/14, 2/28, 3/13, 3/20, 4/24)

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**Required Prerequisites**

ECED 490  
May be taken concurrently.

**University Catalog Course Description**

Provides opportunity to evaluate and reflect upon classroom practices and interactions with diverse young children, families, and other professionals. Examines evidence-based practices used in early childhood classrooms to respond to the individual and group strengths, needs, and interests of young children with varied abilities from culturally, linguistically, and socioeconomically diverse backgrounds.

**Course Delivery Method**

This course will be delivered online using a synchronous seminar format using Blackboard Learning Management system (LMS) housed in the MyMason portal. You will log in to the Blackboard (Bb) course site using your Mason email name (everything before @masonlive.gmu.edu) and email password. The course site will be available on January 16, 2024.

**Under no circumstances, may candidates/students participate in online class sessions (either by phone or Internet) while operating motor vehicles. Further, as expected in a face-to-face class meeting, such online participation requires undivided attention to course content and communication.**

*Technical Requirements*

To participate in this course, students will need to satisfy the following technical requirements:

- High-speed Internet access with standard up-to-date browsers. To get a list of Blackboard's supported browsers see

[https://help.blackboard.com/Learn/Student/Getting\\_Started/Browser\\_Support#supported-browsers](https://help.blackboard.com/Learn/Student/Getting_Started/Browser_Support#supported-browsers)

To get a list of supported operation systems on different devices see

[https://help.blackboard.com/Learn/Student/Getting\\_Started/Browser\\_Support#tested-devices-and-operating-systems](https://help.blackboard.com/Learn/Student/Getting_Started/Browser_Support#tested-devices-and-operating-systems)

- Students must maintain consistent and reliable access to their GMU email and Blackboard, as these are the official methods of communication for this course.
- Students will need a headset microphone for use with the Blackboard Collaborate web conferencing tool.
- Students may be asked to create logins and passwords on supplemental websites and/or to download trial software to their computer or tablet as part of course requirements.
- The following software plug-ins for PCs and Macs, respectively, are available for free download:
- Adobe Acrobat Reader: <https://get.adobe.com/reader/>
- Windows Media Player: <https://support.microsoft.com/en-us/help/14209/get-windows-media-player>
- Apple Quick Time Player: [www.apple.com/quicktime/download/](http://www.apple.com/quicktime/download/)

### *Expectations*

- Course Week: Our week will start on Wednesday and finish on Tuesday as indicated on the Schedule of Classes.
- Log-in Frequency: Students must actively check the course Blackboard site and their GMU email for communications from the instructor, class discussions, and/or access to course materials at least four times per week.
- Participation: Students are expected to actively engage in all course activities throughout the semester, which includes viewing all course materials, completing course activities and assignments, and participating in course discussions and group interactions.
- Technical Competence: Students are expected to demonstrate competence in the use of all course technology. Students who are struggling with technical components of the course are expected to seek assistance from the instructor and/or College or University technical services.
- Technical Issues: Students should anticipate some technical difficulties during the semester and should, therefore, budget their time accordingly. Late work will not be accepted based on individual technical issues.
- Workload: Please be aware that this course is **not** self-paced. Students are expected to meet *specific deadlines* and *due dates* listed in the **Class Schedule** section of this syllabus. It is the student's responsibility to keep track of the weekly course schedule of topics, readings, activities and assignments due.
- Instructor Support: Students may schedule a one-on-one meeting to discuss course requirements, content, or other course-related issues. Those unable to come to a Mason campus can meet with the instructor via telephone or web conference. Students should email the instructor to schedule a one-on-one session, including their preferred meeting method and suggested dates/times.

- Netiquette: The course environment is a collaborative space. Experience shows that even an innocent remark typed in the online environment can be misconstrued. Students must always re-read their responses carefully before posting them, so as others do not consider them as personal offenses. *Be positive in your approach with others and diplomatic in selecting your words.* Remember that you are not competing with classmates, but sharing information and learning from others. All faculty are similarly expected to be respectful in all communications.
- Accommodations: Online learners who require effective accommodations to ensure accessibility must be registered with George Mason University Disability Services.

### **Learner Outcomes or Objectives**

This course is designed to enable students to do the following:

1. Describe the legal status of teachers and students, including federal and state laws and regulations; school as an organization/culture; contemporary issues and current trends in education, including technology in education; local, state, and federal governance of schools, including the roles of teachers and schools in communities; and *Virginia's Guidelines for Uniform Performance Standards and Evaluation Criteria for Teachers.*
2. Discuss and reflect on examples from student teaching of various school crisis management and safety plans and identify ways they have worked to create a safe, orderly, inclusive classroom environment that engages individual children, including children with diverse abilities, in meaningful learning activities and social interactions.
3. Discuss examples from student teaching of research-based classroom and behavior management techniques, classroom community building, positive behavior supports, and individual interventions, including techniques that promote emotional well-being and teach and maintain behavioral conduct and skills consistent with norms, standards, and rules of the educational environment.
4. Discuss examples from student teaching of diverse, age-appropriate classroom and behavior management approaches based on culturally responsive behavioral, cognitive, affective, social, and ecological theory and practice that support professionally appropriate practices that promote positive redirection of behavior, development of social skills, and development of self-discipline.
5. Identify and reflect on strategies used during student teaching that demonstrate effective classroom management skills through methods that build responsibility and self-discipline, promote self-regulation, and maintain a positive learning environment.
6. Identify examples of modifying and managing the learning environments and experiences during student teaching to meet the individual needs of children, including children with disabilities, gifted children, children who are English learners, and children with diverse cultural backgrounds.
7. Identify a variety of age-appropriate techniques used during student teaching, informed by learning principles and knowledge of child development, that teach social and emotional skills to individual children and groups of children to assist with behavior management.
8. Provide examples from student teaching of the ways data were collected, analyzed, and used to inform instruction and guide children's behavior.
9. Discuss evidence-based instructional practices implemented during student teaching that promoted positive learning outcomes for young children.

10. Discuss ways they differentiated instruction in their student teaching experience to respond to the individual strengths, needs, and interests of young children.
11. Reflect critically on their practice and collaborations and discuss ways they engage in continuous learning.
12. Explain how historical, philosophical, and sociological foundations underlying the role, development, and organization of public education in the United States influence current teaching practices and environments and discuss ways to navigate school environments.
13. Exhibit standards of professionalism, ethical standards, and personal integrity with children, families, and professionals in the field and in interactions with classmates, the instructor, the field experience coordinator, and others.
14. Use writing as an instructional and assessment tool to generate, gather, plan, organize, and to communicate for a variety of purposes; integrate correct written conventions (i.e., grammar, usage, mechanics, and spelling); and format using current APA style.

### **Professional Standards**

Interstate Teacher Assessment and Support Consortium (InTASC) Teaching Standards, Division of Early Childhood (DEC) Initial Practice-Based Professional Preparation Standards for Early Interventionists/Early Childhood Special Educators (EI/ECSE), National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) Professional Standards and Competencies for Early Childhood Educators, Virginia Professional Studies Endorsement Competencies, Virginia Early Childhood Special Education Endorsement Competencies, and Virginia Early/Primary Education PreK-3 Endorsement Competencies

Upon completion of this course, students will have met the following professional standards:

### **Virginia Professional Studies Endorsement Requirements**

Classroom and Behavior Management  
Foundations of Education and the Teaching Profession

### **Virginia Early Childhood Special Education Endorsement Competencies**

Behavior Management  
Standards of Professionalism

### **Virginia Early/Primary Education PreK-3 Endorsement Competencies**

Methods

### **Required Texts**

American Psychological Association. (2020). *Publication manual of the American Psychological Association* (7th ed.). Author. ISBN: 978143383216-1

### **Recommended Texts**

Fields, M., Merritt, P., & Fields, D. (2018). *Constructive guidance and discipline: Birth to age eight* (7th ed.). Pearson. ISBN: 9780134547916

Tyminski, C. (2014). *Your early childhood practicum and student teaching experience: Guidelines for success* (3rd ed.). Pearson. ISBN: 9780132869959

### Required Online Documents

- Council for Exceptional Children. (2015). *What every special educator must know: Professional ethical and standards*. Author. Retrieved from <https://www.cec.sped.org/Standards/Ethical-Principles-and-Practice-Standards>
- Council for Exceptional Children Division for Early Childhood (2020). Initial practice-based professional preparation standards for early interventionists/early childhood special educators (EI/ECSE) (initial birth through age 8). Retrieved from [https://d4ab05f7-6074-4ec9-998a-232c5d918236.filesusr.com/ugd/95f212\\_6e8952cda15f48b3935a7729ddccb50d.pdf](https://d4ab05f7-6074-4ec9-998a-232c5d918236.filesusr.com/ugd/95f212_6e8952cda15f48b3935a7729ddccb50d.pdf)
- National Education Association for the Education of Young Children. (2020). Professional standards and competencies for early childhood educators. Retrieved from [https://www.naeyc.org/sites/default/files/globally-shared/downloads/PDFs/resources/position-statements/professional\\_standards\\_and\\_competencies\\_for\\_early\\_childhood\\_educators.pdf](https://www.naeyc.org/sites/default/files/globally-shared/downloads/PDFs/resources/position-statements/professional_standards_and_competencies_for_early_childhood_educators.pdf)
- National Association for the Education of Young Children. (2019). *NAEYC position statement: Advancing equity in early childhood education*. Retrieved from <https://www.naeyc.org/sites/default/files/globally-shared/downloads/PDFs/resources/position-statements/naeycadvancingequitypositionstatement.pdf>
- Virginia Department of Education. (2021). Virginia’s guidelines for uniform performance standards and evaluation criteria for teachers. Retrieved from [https://www.doe.virginia.gov/teaching/performance\\_evaluation/teacher/](https://www.doe.virginia.gov/teaching/performance_evaluation/teacher/)
- Virginia Department of Education. (2021). Virginia tiered systems of support. Retrieved from <https://vtss-ric.vcu.edu/>

### Course Performance Evaluation

Students are expected to submit all assignments on time in the manner outlined by the instructor (e.g., Blackboard, VIA, hard copy).

Assignments	Due Date	Points
Attendance and Participation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Readings and Reading Log</li> <li>Self-Evaluation</li> </ul>	Ongoing Weekly April 24	<b>25</b>
Classroom Management and Guidance Analyses <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Video Analysis 1 Chapter/Article reflections</li> <li>Video Analysis 2 Chapter/Article reflections</li> <li>Video Analysis 3 Chapter/Article reflections</li> </ul>	<i>Ongoing and based on weekly readings (submit to Bb before class)</i> 1/31 2/28 3/20	<b>15</b> 5 5 5
Internship Reflections <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Video 1: Tour</li> </ul>	Submit to Bb <b>before</b> class: 1/24	<b>20</b> 5

• Daily Plan and Video Clip 1	3/13	5
• Video 2: Tour and Update	4/3	5
• Daily Plan and Video Clip 2	4/24	5
Professional Resume	Draft – 3/13 Final – 4/10	<b>10</b>
Summative Reflective Statement Paper	Draft – 3/20 Final – 4/24	<b>30</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>100</b>

## Assignments and/or Examinations

### Classroom Management and Guidance Analyses (15 points)

This assignment is designed to assist students to explore and develop their own guidance and management practices. Students will (a) complete weekly readings and reflections related to classroom management and guidance philosophies, (b) maintain a reading log with quotes from each chapter, (c) engage in video analysis reflective experiences, and (d) engage in a Socratic seminar to analyze and discuss a particular guidance situation. Students are expected to follow the schedule and complete assignments according to the schedule.

### Internship Reflections (20 points)

Students will identify select artifacts from their internship to upload to Blackboard to be used during seminar discussions. Artifacts include the following:

#### *Introducing the Internship Placement (Video Tours)*

Students will upload two videos to *Blackboard* introducing their internship at two points during the semester (see class schedule). For both videos, they will narrate the video as they video record the various aspects of the internship (e.g., organization’s mission and vision, age/grade level of the children in the classroom, provide a tour of the internship setting). In their second video, they will also explain any changes they have made to their internship setting and goals.

#### *Daily Plans with Videos*

Students will upload to Blackboard and discuss during seminar two daily plans implemented during internship, one in the first 8 weeks and one in the second 8 weeks of the internship. They will be prepared to discuss (a) the planning process; (b) what they considered before, during, and after implementing the plan; (c) their reflections on the process and implementation of the plan; and (d) how the outcomes of this plan informed their future directions.

Students will select a video clip from the implementation of each of the two daily plans and upload to *Blackboard* for discussion. During seminar, students will present their video and reflections.

### Professional Resume (10 points)

Students will prepare a resume relevant to the positions they plan to seek. They will participate in feedback sessions, use feedback to revise their resume, and submit a final draft of their resume

to Blackboard.

### **Summative Reflective Statement Paper (30 points)**

Students will prepare a two-three page, single-spaced paper aligning chosen artifacts to each of the 6 NAEYC standards. Over the course of the semester, the intern will select at least 1 artifact each week and align the artifact to 1 NAEYC standard to upload to Bb. Upon completion of the internship experience, the intern will complete a Summative Reflective Statement. To complete the Summative Reflective Statement, the intern will select at least one artifact from their internship to demonstrate their understanding and implementation of each of the six NAEYC's Early Childhood Higher Education Professional Preparation Standards and Competencies ([NAEYC Standards and Competencies](#).)

For each reflective analysis, the intern will (a) describe the artifact and why it was chosen; (b) align the artifact with 1 of the NAEYC standards, identify the standard, and discuss how the artifact demonstrates their understanding of the identified professional standard; and (c) articulate how they will use this knowledge in the future to support young learners, their families, and other professionals in the field.

Note: If the intern engages in more than one professional internship experience a Summative Reflective Statement will be completed for each placement.

This paper is designed to help students organize their talking points for interviews, conversations with families, and collaborating with colleagues and other professionals. The paper will include the following:

- Cover page
- An introduction that provides an overview of the 6 NAEYC standards and competencies. Discuss the importance of understanding each standard as an early childhood educator.
- For each standard, write 1-2 paragraphs identifying and discussing the artifact, the NAEYC standard, elaborating on each of the ways the artifact demonstrates alignment with the standard.
- Conclusion paragraph that provides a summary of the 6 NAEYC standards and the important role understanding each contributes to providing quality early childhood education.
- APA- In-text citations and a reference list written in APA style to support the introduction, the 6 NAEYC standards and artifacts, and the conclusion.
- **Other Requirements**

### **Attendance and Participation (25 points)**

Because active participation and engagement are imperative for optimal learning, preparation for and participation in in-class and online activities will be evaluated based on the following criteria:

- Students attend class, arrive on time, and stay for the entire class period.
- Students use laptops and personal devices for instructional purposes only.
- Students complete readings and prepare for class activities prior to class as evidenced by their ability to discuss and write about the concepts presented and examined in the texts as well as participate fully in related activities.

- Students are actively involved in in-class and online learning experiences as evidenced by (a) participating in all activities, (b) engaging in small- and large-group discussions, (c) completing written work related to the activities, and (d) supporting the participation and learning of classmates.
- Students show evidence of critical reflective thinking through in-class and online discussions, activities, and written reflections.
- Students display professional dispositions at all times while interacting with the instructor and other students.
- Students complete participation activities across the semester that complement the scheduled course topic. Instructors will periodically collect artifacts from the activities. Students in attendance and who actively engage in the learning experience will receive credit for their efforts. Graded participation activities are not announced and are implemented at the discretion of the instructor.
- Students submit attendance and participation self-evaluation.

### **Written Assignments**

All formal written assignments will be evaluated for content and presentation. The American Psychological Association, Seventh Edition (APA) style will be followed for all written work. All written work unless otherwise noted must be completed on a word processor and should be proofread carefully. (Use spell check!) If students are not confident of their own ability to catch errors, they should have another person proofread their work. When in doubt, they should check the APA manual. Portions of the APA manual appear at the Style Manuals link on the Mason library website at <http://infoguides.gmu.edu/content.php?pid=39979>. Students may consult the Writing Center for additional writing support.

Students will do the following:

1. Present ideas in a clear, concise, and organized manner. (Avoid wordiness and redundancy.)
2. Develop points coherently, definitively, and thoroughly.
3. Refer to appropriate authorities, studies, and examples to document where appropriate. (Avoid meaningless generalizations, unwarranted assumptions, and unsupported opinions.)
4. Use correct capitalization, punctuation, spelling, and grammar.
5. Type the paper with double spacing, indented paragraphs, 1-inch margins all around, and 12-point Times New Roman font.

- **Grading**

A+ = 98 – 100    A = 93 – 97    A- = 90 – 92    B+ = 87 – 89    B = 83 – 86    B- = 80 – 82

C+ = 77 – 79    C = 73 – 79    C- = 70 – 72    D = 60 – 69    F = < 60

Incomplete (IN): This grade may be given to students who are passing a course but who may be unable to complete scheduled coursework for a cause beyond reasonable control.

All CEHD students are held to the university grading policies as described in the Academic Policies section of the current catalog, which can be accessed at <http://catalog.gmu.edu>. Those students seeking Virginia initial teaching licensure must earn a C or better in all undergraduate licensure coursework.



## Professional Dispositions

Students are expected to exhibit professional behaviors and dispositions at all times. See <https://cehd.gmu.edu/students/policies-procedures/>.

## Class Schedule

Date	Topics	Readings and Assignments Due
<p><b>Week 1</b> <b>Jan. 17</b></p> <p><b>Online Synch</b> <b>Zoom Meeting</b></p>	<p>Engaging in Critical Reflection on Teaching, Professional Collaborations, and Opportunities for Continuous Learning</p> <p>Professionalism, Ethical Standards, and Personal Integrity</p>	<p><i>Review the following:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>CEC Initial Preparation Standards &amp; ECSE Specialty Set</i></li> <li>• <i>NAEYC Initial Preparation Standards and Developmentally Appropriate Practices Position statement</i></li> <li>• <i>Virginia’s Guidelines for Uniform Performance Standards and Evaluation Criteria for Teachers</i></li> <li>• <i>Student Teaching Evaluation Materials</i></li> </ul>
<p><b>Week 2</b> <b>Jan. 24</b></p> <p><b>Asynchronous</b></p>	<p>The role of the early childhood environment and setting in promoting development and learning</p> <p>Considering Guidance and Discipline of Diverse Young Children in the Classroom</p> <p>Virginia Tiered Systems of Supports</p>	<p>Read: Fields et al, Chapter 1: Upload reading log with 5 Quotes</p> <p><b>Due to Bb by 1/24: Internship Reflections: Video Tour #1</b></p>
<p><b>Week 3</b> <b>Jan. 31</b></p> <p><b>Online Synch</b> <b>Zoom Meeting</b></p>	<p>Writing a Daily /Weekly/ Plan/Lesson plan</p> <p>Effect of Physical, Emotional, Social, and Intellectual Development on the Behavior and Discipline of Diverse Young Children</p> <p>Preparing for and Learning from Student Teaching Observations and Evaluations</p> <p>Virginia’s Guidelines for Uniform Performance Standards and Evaluation Criteria for Teachers</p>	<p>Read:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gadkari (2023). <i>Inclusive preschool settings: Strategies to support children’s development in the physical domain.</i></li> <li>• Collet (2017). “<i>I can do that!</i>” <i>Creating classrooms that foster resilience.</i></li> </ul> <p><b>Due to Bb by 1/31: Video Analysis #1: Chapter/Article reflections</b></p>

Date	Topics	Readings and Assignments Due
<p><b>Week 4</b> <b>Feb. 7</b> <b>Asynchronous</b></p>	<p>Classroom Management: Environment, Routines, Timing, transitions in Inclusive Classrooms</p> <p>Interpreting and Using Assessment of Diverse Young Children to Inform Practice</p>	<p>Read and upload reading log with 5 Quotes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Holland &amp; Ohle (2020). <i>“How can I help you?”: Reconsidering behavior management.</i></li> <li>• Blessing (2019). <i>Assessment in kindergarten: Meeting children where they are.</i></li> </ul>
<p><b>Week 5</b> <b>Feb. 14</b> <b>Online Synch Meeting</b></p>	<p>Teaching Desirable Behavior Through Example</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Building inclusive classroom community</li> <li>• Promoting well-being</li> </ul> <p>Implementing Evidence-Based Instructional Practices</p>	<p>Read: Fields, et al., Chapter 5: Upload reading log with 5 Quotes</p>
<p><b>Week 6</b> <b>Feb. 21</b> <b>Asynchronous</b></p>	<p>Communication Strategies with students, families, staff, and the community</p> <p>Collaborating with Diverse Families and Communities</p>	<p>Read and upload reading log with 5 Quotes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Xu (2020). <i>Engaging families of young children with disabilities through family-school-community Partnerships.</i></li> <li>• Steen (2023), Chapter 2, “Building Reciprocal Family Partnerships”</li> </ul>
<p><b>Week 7</b> <b>Feb. 28</b> <b>Online Synch Meeting</b></p>	<p>Preparing for a Professional Career in Early Childhood Education – Reference Letters Resume writing Interview protocol Professionalism</p>	<p>Read:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hickey (2019). <i>Becoming your best: Building professional competencies.</i></li> <li>• Feeney et al. (2020). <i>Professional boundaries in early childhood education: Working with families.</i></li> </ul> <p><b>Due to Bb by 2/28: Video Analysis #2 Chapter/article reflections</b></p>

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<b>Week 8 March 6</b>	Spring Break, NO CLASS	
<b>Week 9 March 13</b>  <b>Online Synch Meeting</b>	Using Plans and pacing guides to inform instructional, curricular, assessment, and partnership decisions	Read: Fields et al., Chapter 9: Upload reading log with 5 Quotes  <b>Due to Bb by 3/13: Professional Resume Draft</b>  <b>Due to Bb by 3/13: Internship Reflections: Daily Plan and Video Clip #1</b>
<b>Week 10 March 20</b>  <b>Online Synch Meeting</b>	Preparing for a Professional Career in Early Childhood Education – NAEYC and DEC standards and competencies Code of Practice	Read: Fields et al., Chapter 10.  <b>Due to Bb by 3/20: Video Analysis #3: Chapter/article reflections</b>  <b>Due to Bb by 3/20: Draft of Summative Reflective Statement Paper</b>
<b>Week 11 March 27</b>  <b>Online Synch Meeting</b>	Role of the Culture and Climate of the Early childhood setting Responding to Trauma <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Addressing children’s stress and vulnerabilities</li> </ul>	Read and upload reading log with 5 Quotes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Galinsky (2020). <i>Words matter: Moving from trauma-informed to asset-informed care.</i></li> <li>• Kroeger et al. (2019). <i>Tate and the pink coat: Exploring gender and enacting anti-bias principles.</i></li> </ul>
<b>Week 12 April 3</b> <b>Asynchronous</b>	Meeting the Diverse Needs of Young Children <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Culturally responsive approaches</li> <li>• Universal Design for Learning</li> </ul>	Read and upload reading log with 5 Quotes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Rice &amp; Dunn (2020). <i>Supporting children’s writing in inclusive classrooms with arts-based strategies.</i></li> </ul>

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Wanless &amp; Crawford (2016). <i>Reading your way to a culturally responsive classroom.</i></li> </ul> <p><b>Due to Bb by 4/3: Internship Reflections: Video #2 Tour and Update</b></p>
<p><b>Week 13 April 10</b></p> <p><b>In-person meeting WOLF TRAP (location TBD)</b></p>	<p>Preparing for a Career in Early Childhood Education</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Understanding how historical, philosophical, and sociological foundations underlying the role, development, and organization of public education in the United States influence current teaching practices and environments</li> </ul>	<p><b>Due to Bb by 4/10: Professional Resume final draft</b></p>
<p><b>Week 14 April 17 Asynchronous</b></p>	<p>Navigating and advocating for the Early childhood field</p>	
<p><b>Week 15 April 24</b></p> <p><b>Online Synch Meeting (Last Meeting)</b></p>	<p>Course reflection</p>	<p><b>Due to Bb by 4/24: Internship Reflections: Daily Plan and Video Clip #2</b></p> <p><b>Due to Bb by 4/24: Attendance and Participation Self-Evaluation</b></p> <p><b>Due to Bb by 4/24: Final Paper: Summative Reflective Statement Paper</b></p>
<p><b>Reading Days</b></p>	<p>No class</p>	

Note: Faculty reserves the right to alter the schedule as necessary, with notification to students.

## Core Values Commitment

The College of Education and Human Development is committed to collaboration, ethical leadership, innovation, research-based practice, and social justice. Students are expected to adhere to these principles: <http://cehd.gmu.edu/values/>.

## GMU Policies and Resources for Students

### *Policies*

- Students must adhere to the guidelines of the Mason Honor Code (see <https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/honor-code-system/>).
- Students must follow the university policy for Responsible Use of Computing (see <https://universitypolicy.gmu.edu/policies/responsible-use-of-computing/>).
- Students are responsible for the content of university communications sent to their Mason email account and are required to activate their account and check it regularly. All communication from the university, college, school, and program will be sent to students **solely** through their Mason email account.
- Students with disabilities who seek accommodations in a course must be registered with George Mason University Disability Services. Approved accommodations will begin at the time the written letter from Disability Services is received by the instructor (see <http://ds.gmu.edu/>).
- Students must follow the university policy stating that all sound emitting devices shall be silenced during class unless otherwise authorized by the instructor.

### *Campus Resources*

- Support for submission of assignments to VIA should be directed to [viahelp@gmu.edu](mailto:viahelp@gmu.edu) or <https://cehd.gmu.edu/aero/assessments>. Questions or concerns regarding use of Blackboard should be directed to <https://its.gmu.edu/knowledge-base/blackboard-instructional-technology-support-for-students/>.
- For information on student support resources on campus, see <https://ctfe.gmu.edu/teaching/student-support-resources-on-campus>.

**Notice of mandatory reporting of sexual assault, sexual harassment, interpersonal violence, and stalking:** As a faculty member, I am designated as a “Non-Confidential Employee” and must report all disclosures of sexual assault, sexual harassment, interpersonal violence, and stalking to Mason’s Title IX Coordinator per [University Policy 1202](#). If you wish to speak with someone confidentially, please contact one of Mason’s confidential resources, such as [Student Support and Advocacy Center](#) (SSAC) at 703-380-1434 or [Counseling and Psychological Services](#) (CAPS) at 703-993-2380. You may also seek assistance or support measures from Mason’s Title IX Coordinator by calling 703-993-8730 or emailing [titleix@gmu.edu](mailto:titleix@gmu.edu).

**For additional information on the College of Education and Human Development, please visit our website: <http://cehd.gmu.edu>.**