

REVISED Format 2 & Syllabus received 1/17/2012.

FORMAT 2

Submit originals (including syllabus) and one copy and electronic copy to the **Faculty Senate Office**  
 See <http://www.uaf.edu/uafgov/faculty-senate/curriculum/course-degree-procedures/> for a complete description of the rules governing curriculum & course changes.

**CHANGE COURSE (MAJOR) and DROP COURSE PROPOSAL**  
 Attach a syllabus, except if dropping a course.

**SUBMITTED BY:**

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**2. ACTION DESIRED: Changes to be made to the existing course.**

Change Course	<input type="checkbox"/>	If Change, indicate below what change.	Drop Course	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>PREREQUISITES</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<b>FREQUENCY OF OFFERING</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>CREDITS (including credit distribution)</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<b>COURSE CLASSIFICATION</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>CROSS-LISTED</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> No	Dept.	<input type="checkbox"/>	(Requires approval of both departments and deans involved. Add lines at end of form for such signatures.)
<b>STACKED (400/600) Include syllabi.</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> No	Dept.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Course #
<b>OTHER (please 0</b>				

**5. COURSE REPEATABILITY:**

Is this course repeatable for credit?

**JUSTIFICATION FOR ACTION REQUESTED**

The purpose of the department and campus-wide curriculum committees is to scrutinize course change and new course applications to make sure that the quality of UAF education is not lowered as a result of the proposed change. Please address this in your response. This section needs to be self-explanatory. If you ask for a change in # of credits, explain why; are you increasing the amount of material covered in the class? If you drop a prerequisite, is it because the material is covered elsewhere? If course is changing to stacked (400/600), explain higher level of effort and performance required on part of students earning graduate credit. Use as much space as needed to fully justify the proposed change and explain what has been done to ensure that the quality of the course is not compromised as a result.

**The CDFS program has been looking carefully at the courses provided and is currently involved in a major program change that will promote better opportuni**





UNIVERSITY OF ALASKA FAIRBANKS  
**College of Rural and Community Development**  
**Child Development and Family Studies (CDFS)**

*A. Course Syllabus*

**Course Title:** Assessment in Early Childhood

**Course No:** ECE 360

**Credits:** 3 (3 + 0)

**Prerequisites:** Engl 111X, 211X or 213X

*B. Instructor: TBA*

TBA

**Phone:** TBA

**E-mail:** [TBA](#)

**Office or Contact hours:** Instructor will post office hours for students at first class.

**Location:** Distance Delivered possibly in conjunction with local Fairbanks site.

**Dates:** TBA 2012

**Times:** TBA

Over the course of 11 weeks, ECE 360 will meet 20 times for 2 hours each.

**Text:**

Required

*McAfee, O. & Leong, D.J. (2002). Assessing and guiding young children's  
development and*

*learning 5<sup>th</sup> ed. Boston, MA. Allyn and Bacon.*

State of Alaska. (2007). Early Learning Guidelines

Occasional articles and other handouts that will be distributed in class.

**Course Description:**

Examination of policies and practices related to evaluation and assessment of young children's progress. Includes legal, ethical and professional responsibilities in assessment. Exploration of "what, when, why and how" to assess young children. Includes practice and analysis of various assessment styles and tools as well as how to use information gained through assessment. ECE 360 is required for the Child Development and Family Studies BA program within the Curriculum and Teaching concentration.

**Course Goal:**

*Students will develop understanding of all types of assessment and screening methods used with young children and apply skill of authentic assessment in regards to child goals and curriculum development.*

**Course Information and Instruction methodology:**



Written assignments and projects are to be formatted using APA and typed. Font size should be **10 – 12**, depending on the type of font. Spacing between lines should be **2.0**. Black ink on white paper is strongly preferred. Color graphics are acceptable, but not necessary.

**Small group activity:** The class will be divided into small groups that are intended to emulate groups of teachers in a program working together on curriculum development for facilitation. There will be specific assignments for each group to work on in regards to assessment and supporting curriculum development. \

**Homework:** will take place through reading assignments and written responses.

**Final project:** Each student will develop a plan for relevant assessment of a specific child. The assessment plan will be supported through curriculum activity that will allow the child to demonstrate his knowledge acquisition and skill within all learning areas. The student will turn in to the instructor a plan for assessment with reason of why these particular assessment strategies will be appropriate for this specific child, complete correlating activity plans (a minimum of 3 for each area of development), plan for parent inclusion, and a final reflection that ties together reasoning for all pieces including how the individualized plan for this child fits into the perspective of the group classroom environment as a whole. This will be development of a plan only; it will not be facilitated with an actual child.

**Course Evaluation:**

A letter grade will be issued for participants. (Note that you must receive a C or higher for this course to count towards your Child Development Family Study BA Degree. Grading is based on:

**Grading Policy:**

Small group activity	70 pts	17.5%
Homework (2 assignments @ 10 pts ea, and 3 @20 pts ea)	80 pts	20%
Special Project	250 pts	62.5%
Total Points	400 pts	100%

All coursework will be evaluated on the following:

- a) Organization
- b) Clarity
- c) Consistency of thought and format
- d) Reflection of course content
- e) Thoughtful assimilation/accommodation with evidence of conceptual connections and understanding of content
- f) Written work contains no or few distracting elements such as spelling errors.

Grade	Points	Definition
A = 100%-90%	400-360	An honor grade. Demonstrates originality, independence, a thorough mastery of the subject; completing more work than is regularly required. Demonstrates a deep understanding, presented with exceptional clarity & poise
B = 89% - 80%	359-320	Better than average. Above the average expectation. Projects or papers are presented neatly and thoroughly However do not have the depth and originality for an "A."
C = 79% - 70%	319-280	Average. The student grasps the essential information. Material is complete and presented on time.



D = 69% - 60%	279-240	Below average. Student misses significant aspects of the assignment. Material is not turned in on time; student is unprepared to present projects to class
F = below 60%	239 and below	Student was unable to complete the assignment on time with at least a 60% understanding and presentation

### Course Calendar Draft

Date	Topic and Assignment
1) Week 1: day 1	<p>Go over course structure introductions; introduce homework 1 assignment.</p> <p>Go over syllabus and answer questions.</p> <p>Housekeeping: Provide instructor Email that contains your name, mailing address, phone numbers for work and home and the Email address that you prefer using.</p>
2) Week 1 day 2	<p>Lecture / Group Discussion topic</p> <p>Homework 1 : Go over State of Alaska Early Learning Guidelines. Consider how they can affect the assessment process as well as development of curriculum.</p> <p>Write a reflection regarding your thoughts on the Early Learning Guidelines.</p> <p>Preparation for next meeting: Read chapter 2 in <i>Assessing and Guiding</i> text.</p>
3) Week 2 day 1	<p>Lecture / Group Discussion topic</p> <p>Legal, ethical and professional responsibilities.</p> <p>Homework 2: Write a reflection regarding your thoughts on ethic and professional responsibilities. Include a specific example from your own professional life. Was it handled as you would have liked? Why or why not? What would you have changed, if anything?</p> <p>Preparation for next class: Read chapter 3 in <i>Assessing and Guiding</i> text.</p>
4) Week 2 day 2	<p>Lecture topic: Thinking about assessment, why, what and when to assess.</p> <p>Homework 3: How do you use assessment? Is it relative to the lesson plans developed in your classroom? How? Or why not?</p> <p>Preparation for next class: Read chapter 4 in <i>Assessing and Guiding</i> text</p>
5) Week 3 day 1	<p>Lecture topic: Collecting and documenting information</p> <p>Preparation for next class: Read chapter 4 and 5 in text</p> <p>Prepare to discuss in-depth findings, thoughts and questions developed around chapters 4 and 5.</p>
6) Week 3 day 2	<p>Small group seminar style discussion on chapter 2.</p>

	Preparation for next class: Read chapter 3 in <i>Assessing and Guiding</i> text. Prepare to discuss in-depth findings thoughts and findings of chapter 3 in small group on February 26.
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Week 4 day 1

Lecture topic: Thinking about curriculum that ties to assessment.

Class will meet at a public park today. Specifics will be shared in class.

Preparation for next class:

Consider chapter information as well as lecture and BB discussions. Prepare to discuss in-depth findings, thoughts and questions developed around chapter 3.

		classroom: Analyze the assessment and development potential: Discuss the last half of the class in the Large group.
15)	Week 8 Day 1	Sharing of curriculum activities ages 3-5: with feedback
16)	Week 8 day 2	In your small groups discuss your projects, and get feedback and ideas.
17)	Week 9 day 1	Sharing of final projects
18)	Week 9 day 2	Sharing of final projects
19)	Week 10 day 1	Sharing of final projects
20)	Week 10 day 2	Share Final Project Closing of class.  Final assignment is due to instructor by July 8, 2011. Emailed to instructor

### **Student Support Services:**

The University has many student support programs. If you need assistance please contact any of the following service programs or departments.

### **UAOnline**

<http://uaonline.alaska.edu/>

Your resource for transcripts, accounts and other personal information

### **Disabilities Services:**

The Child Development and Family Studies program will work with the Office of Disability Services to provide reasonable accommodation to students with disabilities. Disability Services provide a variety of services to assure equal access for all students. Interpreting services, educational assistants, note taking, and exam accommodations for students are the most frequently provided accommodations.

The Office of Disability Services implements the American with Disabilities Act (ADA), and insures that the UAF students have equal access to the campus and course materials. (203 WHIT, 474-7043) I will work with the Office of Disabilities Services to provide reasonable accommodation to students with disabilities.

Disability services also provides assistance to the university's rural campuses. Bristol Bay, Chuckchi, Interior-Aleutions, Kuskokwim, and Northwest. Questions should be directed to the Director of Disability Services at (907) 474-5655 or online at <http://www.uaf.edu/disability/>

Representatives from the office also regularly meet students in the CTCC building. Check with the CTCC student services for more information, 455-2851 or 2849.

UAF Office of Disability Services 612 N. Chandalar, PO box 755590 University of Alaska Fairbanks, Alaska 99775-5590

Phone: (907) 474-5655 | TTY: (907) 474-1827 | FAX: 474-5688 Email: [fydos@alaska.edu](mailto:fydos@alaska.edu)

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Phone: (907) 474-5314 Fax: 1-800-478-5246

\* The UAF Writing Center and Computer Lab offers free writing tutoring to any student in any subject via telephone and fax or over the Internet. Students can call 907-474-5314 for information on how to fax a paper and have it tutored over the telephone, or engage in an interactive Internet session. Both services are free.

### **Rural Students Services**

<http://www.uaf.edu/ruralss/>

Rural Student Services (RSS) is an academic advising department with over 35 years of experience in working with students from all over the state of Alaska. We are here to assist you in achieving student success by linking you to current information pertinent to your education, lifestyle, and goals. RSS is known for its welcoming and friendly environment. Many students find meaningful connection at UAF through RSS. We can help you with:

- Academic requirements
- Registration for classes
- Finding financial aid
- Explaining housing options
- Declaring a major
- Career exploration

### **CONTACT US AT:**

P.O. box 756320, Fairbanks, AK 99775-6320

1-888-478-1452 (toll free within Alaska) or (907) 474-7871

Email us at [fyrss@uaf.edu](mailto:fyrss@uaf.edu)

### **Library Services for off campus students**

<http://library.uaf.edu/offcampus>

Off-Campus Library Services is a unit set up to serve rural UAF students and faculty who do not have access to appropriate information resources in their town or village. We work in support of The College of Rural & Community Development and The Center for Distance Education and Independent Learning.

We can supply your information needs for the courses you are taking. For example, if a research paper is required in the teleconference or correspondence course that you are taking, you can contact us, explain your information need, and we will send library materials to you so that you can write your paper.

Contact us at Off-Campus Services, Elmer E. Rasmuson Library

310 Tanana Loop, PO Box 756800

Fairbanks, Alaska USA 99775-6800

Phone: 1-800-478-5348 Email: [fyddl@uaf.edu](mailto:fyddl@uaf.edu)

### **For more off campus help go to:**

[http://www.uaf.edu/library/instruction/ls101/other/Distance\\_Resources.h2-m0 g\( \[offa Tw\( \)Tj-13.5es6 66.18u5 1T10.98 0](http://www.uaf.edu/library/instruction/ls101/other/Distance_Resources.h2-m0%20g%20%28%20%29%20Tj-13.5es6%2066.18u5%201T10.98%20)

web services there is a link you can click if you forgot your password. I also recommend writing them down somewhere for back up.

**Problem: you are having problems with Blackboard**

- You will need to contact the Blackboard administrator, at: <http://classes.uaf.edu/> Office of Information Technology Help Desk 474.6564 or 1.800.478.4667