

MORAVIAN COLLEGE

EDUC 222, Emerging Language and Literacy, Birth to age 5 • Dr. Connie Unger • Fall 2011 Office: 610-625-7902 • <u>ungerc@movavian.edu</u> Hours: M, Th 2:00-4:00 & by appointment

EDUC 222 introduces students to language development and how to facilitate reading, writing, speaking, and listening prior to formal instruction and in the early years of schooling, birth through kindergarten. . Language arts are essential to everyday life and central to all learning. Children come to understand the world through reading, writing, listening and talking. This course will develop the knowledge needed to understand how young children's language and literacy develops and how early childhood teachers can help children become fluent, flexible, effective users of oral and written language.

Students in EDUC 222
must have:

A minimum grade
point average of 2.7
Completed EDUC 160
and 216

Taken with EDUC 212
Stage 2 field
experience of 40 hours
in Head Start or early
care center (Field Handbook)
Current clearances
needed

OVERVIEW OF PROGRAM:

The educational philosophy of Moravian College's Early Childhood Education program is built on social justice, respect for diversity and the importance of understanding individual differences. The program is designed to provide students with the beginning knowledge and skills to interact with young children 0 to 9 years and their families in a variety of educational and service settings. Major developmental theories drive this program and each course addresses developmentally appropriate practices. Students will engage in critical thinking, observational fieldwork, data collection and research including the use of technology. Collaboration products, reflective evaluation, communication and academic writing provide a compass for evaluating learning. The focus of this program is on training educators to be leaders and advocates for families and their young children and provides undergraduate preparation for careers in child-related professions, including infant, toddler, preschool, school readiness, and elementary education. All Early Childhood Education courses are aligned with Pennsylvania State Department of Education Competencies – Sub-competencies and the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) Initial Licensure Standards.

EDUCATIONAL FRAMEWORK:

To develop professionals who become educational leaders because they think and act critically in a collaborative environment. Our goal is to transform lives through pursuing the values of academic excellence, collaboration, diversity and life-long learning; to the commitment to technology and best practices; to focus on each individual child; and to teach so that words and actions inspire a will to learn.

PRINCIPLES FOR MEETING THE NEEDS OF CHILDREN THROUGH AGE NINE:

The Early Childhood program will prepare educational professionals who are capable to serve a diverse population of young children and their families in a wide variety of educational settings. For each course there will be specific content materials offered and experienced, but there are a number of principles that will be prevalent throughout the ECE certification program. These principles are:

- It is a given belief that all children can learn and it is the educational program that must be altered to support the learning of each individual child and his/her family. This would include children with special needs.
- Developmentally appropriate practice and research based learning will be the bases for all course work and experiences. Whole group, small group and individual activities will be developed in a variety formats so that children can learn in varied domains. The use of national and Pennsylvania standards has been incorporated in the content of all courses to foster the growth of our youngest learners to grade four.

PURPOSE OF COURSE:

The course begins with a brief overview of the recent key national policies and initiatives that have impacted the teaching of literacy from birth to kindergarten. Students will learn key aspect of language and literacy that will promote early reading success in preschool and childcare settings. They will be able to apply their learning into practice with a field experience. Students will expand their knowledge of the initial reading instruction practices that develop real readers. In this course, students will also learn ways of preventing reading difficulties through developmental interventions. Assessment methods always informs programs so students know if a child is making progress in reading related skills and early reading. Student will also learn how to work with parents, and policy makers who always influence early learning programs and who make decisions regarding early reading instruction.

Expected Student Outcomes:

- 1. Application of effective, developmentally appropriate (appropriate for diverse ages, individual characteristics, cultures) curriculum and assessment. IA1; IIIA-R; IVA-D; VA-T
- 2. Understand phonological development involving phonological awareness, memory, and retrieval. IAc,e,f
- 3. Develop relationships between early spoken language and early pre-literacy abilities. IAg
- 4. Apply spoken language skills. IAc
- 5. Awareness of language comprehension and expressive language skills directly related to early literacy. IAc,d,h, IB1,2
- 6. Understand and apply emergent literacy in context of stories and narratives. IAd,e,g; IB4a; IB5c,d; IB6a
- 7. Realize the influences of parent/child interactions in early-shared storybook interactions. IVA,B,C; V
- 8. Develop conceptual, experiential and language foundations for learning to read and write. IA1a,b,c,d,e,g,h
- 9. Use of tactile kinesthetic and auditory cues in reading and writing. IA1h
- 10. Address difficulties involving language and literacy development. IAg; VBc; IB6a; VM
- 11. Continued development of foundations in literacy research and theory. IB1
- 12. Learn, understand, apply word level instructional strategies, reading/writing connections, instructional approaches and materials, and appropriate assessment of literacy. IB
- 13. Focus on every child and their appropriate needs. VA-T

LEARNING ACCOMMODATIONS:

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, any student has the right to request reasonable accommodations for a disability. Accommodations can be requested through the Academic Support Services on campus. Please note that you will need to present documentation of your disability to the Disabilities Office. Students are encouraged to contact the appropriate individual as soon as possible to enhance the likelihood that accommodations are implemented in a timely fashion. Accommodations cannot be provided until the instructor has received appropriate authorization. Moravian College does not discriminate in any of its programs on the basis of disability.

Day students who wish to disclose a disability and request accommodations for this course must contact Mr. Joseph Kempfer, Assistant Director of Learning Services for Disability Support, (extension 1510).

Comenius Center students who wish to disclose a disability and request accommodations for this course must contact the Dean of the Comenius Center, (extension 1400).

TECHNOLOGY STATEMENT:

Integrated into all coursework are identified competencies in the use of technology. Technology will be used to enhance the learning experience, to address learning modalities, to model good teaching, and to increase content knowledge. Smart Board technology will be available to faculty and students. Most coursework will use *MyEducationLab* to enhance the textbook learning by use of videos, vignettes, study guides, etc. The courses are also dependent on the use of Blackboard. All syllabi, agendas, assignments, assessment tools, videos, and journal articles will be placed on Blackboard. Students will utilize Discussion Boards, Blogs, and Evaluation Center. Students have access to web searches and library holdings through databases both on and off campus. Computer labs, MAC and PC, are available.

PDE STANDARDS AND ASSESSMENT ANCHORS STATEMENT:

PDE has produced Infant/Toddler Standards, Early Learning Standards, Kindergarten Standards, and academic standards for the following content areas: Math, Social Studies, Science/Technology, Language Arts, Health, Safety, and Physical Activities. PDE has also developed Assessment Anchors. These Standards and Anchors inform student about what they need to know and be able to do at the completion of a course at each grade level. Teacher candidates will be aware of and develop lesson plans using the PA Academic Standards.

REQUIRED TEXT:

Vukelich, Carol, Christie, James F., & Enz, Billie Jean. (2008). *Helping Young Children Learn Language and Literacy: Birth Through Kindergarten, 3/E.* NY: Allyn & Bacon
 Beaty, Janice. (2009). *50 Early Childhood Literacy Strategies, 2/E.* NJ: Merrill.
 BlackBoard and MyEducationLab are required for this course. Most buildings are wireless.

FIELD COMPONENT STATEMENT:

The purpose of the field experiences is to provide students with appropriate classroom experiences in a developmental and sequential manner. All field experiences are directly related to coursework and must be successfully completed to pass the education course. Students are required to follow all the procedures and guidelines as outlined in the field experience handbooks, and course syllabi. Failure to accurately report attendance and performance will be considered a violation of academic honesty policy and will result in appropriate sanctions as outlined in the Student Handbook. The Director of Field Experiences is responsible for securing all field placements. Students will be placed in field experiences only when all required clearances documents are current and indicate, "no record exists". Students are also required to have a negative result on a current tuberculosis test.

OTHER INFORMATION:

<u>Absence Notification</u> = Attendance in class is very important. Should a personal emergency arise it is important that you let me know this as soon as possible. This will assist me in the design of small group team projects. Please call when you are going to be absent for that day. Missing any class without a phone call or e-mail prior to class time will significantly lower your overall grade. If you are ill, you must give me a doctor's excuse for an excused absence. If you do not have an acceptable reason, your final grade will reflect it. Attendance is of critical importance in order for you to participate actively in discussions, etc.

Food = Water is allowed, but we will be moving around too much to be eating.

<u>Cell Phones</u> = Turn them off. If there is an emergency, you can make arrangements with me before class. If your cell goes off, you will be asked to bring in a snack for everyone the next day we have class. If you text message in class, you will loose all your participation points.

Expected Work Load – For this course, it is expected that you will work between 6-10 hours for preparation outside of class for each week. You also may be asked to apply some experiences in a field experience that you will be having during the time of this course.

References and formatting = Use the <u>Publication of the American Psychological Association</u>, (Current edition) for references. The formatting of your papers must be in Arial 12 font. You will be expected to provide accurate documentation and proper citations for all your written work.

<u>Plagiarism</u>: Always cite your sources if the ideas are not original. If you transcribe words from another work, identify the passage as a quotation and cite the author. If you paraphrase, cite the source. Academic dishonesty will result in notification to the Academic Dean, in accordance with College policy. This will result in a failing grade if rules were broken. This course will follow all the rules for Academic Honesty as found on AMOS.

Grading:

Your performance in all areas will be graded in accordance with Moravian College's standards of academic achievement as stated in the Student Handbook.

94-100 %	А	90-93.99 %	A-
87-89.99 %	B+	84-86.99 %	В
80-83.99 %	B-	77-79.99 %	C+
74-76.99 %	С	70-73.99 %	C-
67-69.99 %	D+	64-66.99 %	D
60-63.99 %	D-	0-59.99 %	F

F= This indicates failure.

- **D**= 64-67% (D- = 60-64%) (D+ = 67-69%) These grades indicate unsatisfactory work, below the standard expected by the college.
- **C**= 74-76% (C- = 70-73%) (C+ = 77-79%) You meet all requirements adequately.
- **B**= 84-86% (B- = 80-83%) (B+ = 87-89%) You go beyond the requirements enhancing your work by doing such things as adding additional resources, related areas or topics, etc.
- A= 94-100% (A- = 90-93%) Your work is definitely outstanding. It goes beyond requirements and shows perception and insightfulness. Extraordinary!!! Everyone can earn an "A" if they care to, though not everyone will put forth the necessary extra effort and time.

It is within the instructor's purview to apply qualitative judgment in determining grades for all of your assignments and your final grade for this course.

Late work:

• A <u>written explanation</u> handed in on due date; the "Work" will be evaluated and lowered only a half grade if handed in by the end of due week; an additional late week with written explanation means one grade lower.

Written work requirements:

- All handed in written work needs to be done on a computer. Use your spell checker. Meaning and mechanics both are graded.
- It needs to be organized and identified.
- Please do not hand in work in the plastic page holders.

Class Arrangements:

We meet once a week for half of a semester. Our class structure will vary. There will be

interactive small and large group assignments. For many of the activities, you will physically be participating. You will present demo lessons and activity engage in others lessons. Since you will be in a field experience, many of the assignments will be field-tested including your unit.

Professionalism:

Since this is a course to prepare students to think and act like professional educators, it is expected that students' attitudes and behaviors reflect those responsibilities. Attendance, punctuality, and coming prepared to learn, and collaborating with others are all professional behaviors. These behaviors are important to acquire and are needed for this course. Each person will need to be actively involved with class discussions, prepared to present given tasks to the whole class and remain engaged while others are presenting. Assignments and readings must be done to develop a community of learners. Attendance and participation will be calculated and averaged. It is worth 10% of your total grade.

Professionalism Scoring Rubric	
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Attendance	Arrived and left on time	Late or left early	Missed class, but called and had legal excuse	Missed class and did not call, but had a legal excuse
	50%	40%	30%	10%
Participation	Encourages others, strong participant, stays on topic, shares ideas, facilitates activities, mentors others, comes "over" prepared 50%	Collaborates well with others, stays focused, is adequately prepared, actively participates, shares in group work 40%	Participates when called on, supports group projects, comes to class not quite prepared or is occasionally busy eating 20%	Talks while others are talking, often not engaged in class discussion or group activities, comes to class not prepared or is busy eating 10%

Student and professor will do this.

Evidence of Learning:

- 1. Tests = 35%
- 2. Written class assignments and response questions = 15%
- 3. Micro teaching strategy lesson = 20%
- 4. Cooperating Teacher's assessment & Field Journal with all required activities based on text and class = 25%
- 5. Professionalism = 5%

Weekly Schedule

Week Fall 2011	Assignment	Торіс	Assessment FJ =placed in Field Journal	Competency I =Dev. Cog I= Sub. Matter
Sept. 2 Introduction to course, requirements, and text features; plus field experience	Sign onto BlackBoard & MyEducationLab, Preview syllabus and textbooks Read chapter 1	Small group –discussion and share their part of syllabus Discussion: Chapter 1 goals Complete hand-out 1.1 <i>Reminiscing about my literacy</i> <i>learning</i> , small to whole group discussion	Professionalism Observation of participation Collect hand-out	I.F I.B.5.h

handbook		Table work: Blended		
Tranubook		Instruction: Identify components and be prepared to explain Discussion : Slides 1.3-4 Book sharing: model read aloud Homework: 1.2-1.3 worksheets; design a graphic organizer for the five components of language; know all four theories of language acquisition Internet search : Show PA Infant/Toddler Standards, Early Learning Standards, Kindergarten Standards and Language Arts Content Standards; other areas at PDE website, NAEYC Standards, and	Observation of use of laptop computers	
September 9	Read chapters 1	IRA position papers Small Group: Reflect on	Professionalism	I.B.2
Chapter 1 Foundations of Language and Literacy	and 2; submit worksheets and graphic organizer; be prepared to work with chapter 2	principles of effective literacy instruction and focus on accommodations for children's developmental and linguistic diversity (Hwk. Handout 1.3) Whole Group: (Hwk. Handout 1.2) Share some of your early literacy experiences. Introduction: Chapter 2 Gather into language development perspective groups: Get ready to share your team's explanation of viewpoint Discussion Table teams: Share your graphic organizers for 5 components of language	Oral presentations Written assessment using scoring rubric Handout 1.2 Collect graphic organizers and handout 1.3	I.D I.E I.I I.B.a I.I I.B.c I.B.2 I.B.4 IV.A V.
September 16 Chapter 2 Oral Language Development	Answer ch. 2 discussion questions & view video: <i>The</i> <i>Human: To Talk</i> Interview two child care givers or parents about lang. development	Team discussion: PPT 2.1 Language Acquisition Theories, PPT 2.2 Language is, Slides 24 Linguistic Components Why do babiesDiscussion from video on Dr. Meltzoff's findings about the linguistic journey from cooing to "Motherease" to "language explosion" PPTS: 2.37 debates, & handouts on Parentease, Language Delays, Eng. Lang. learners, hearing loss, brain basics	Professionalism PPTS on BlackBoard	I.B.2 I.C I.D I.E I.B.2 I.B.3 III.D IV.A
Sept. 23 Chapter 3 Family Literacy and Language Development	Read and be prepared to apply contents Written and oral responses Begin stage 2 field experience in childcare setting.	Micro teaching of an application by each team of two – questions Small group: Answer given questions with follow-up discussion PPTS: 3.14 Discussion Table talk: Identify things families can do to encourage	Professionalism Written assessment Self assessment and assessment of peers Write up	I.A.1 I.A.c I.A.e I.A.d I.A.g IV.A IV.C

Sept. 30 Chapter 4 Organizing Early Language and Literacy Instruction	Video clips of family reading Read ch.4 and be able to apply	literacy development View video clips and use assessment tool (DesJardin's research) DI: Thick and thin questions (ppt. 3.6) Field observation 2.1-2.4 (do 2) Test Table Talk Questions: Answer and share: environment and schedule Discussion on applying read alouds to field experience View Bobbi Fisher's <i>Classroom</i> <i>Environment</i> Draw: Design principles for literacy environment-Share Micro teaching of a strategy by each team of two -2 Field observation 3.2-3.6 (do 3).	observations (Field Journal - FJ) Ch. 1, 2 & 3 test Professionalism Self assessment and assessment of peers Observations (FJ)	I.A.7 I.B.6 I.A.c
Oct. 7 Chapter 4 Organizing Early Language and Literacy Instruction	Answer response question about chapter 4 Observe the use of environmental and functional print - record	Micro teaching of an application by each team of two - 4 Discussion- Analyze PPTS 4.1- 4.5; share team's thoughts Table teams: Venn diagram for environmental and functional print, chart paper and markers, whip around to share Draw a dramatic play center stick and create it on construction paper. List as many uses and functions as you can. Find partners and add to both. Group share. How was lang. & literacy developed?	Professionalism Written responses Critical analyzes of environments Self assessment and assessment of peers Kid watching (FJ)	I.A.g, IV.A IV.B IV.C V
Oct. 14 Chapter 5 Facilitating Early Language Learning	Respond to ch. 5 questions Observe dramatic play and environmental and functional print in field	Micro teaching of application by each team of two -2 Discussion: Oral Language Development – share personal experience to respond to main concept questions Table teams: Handout 5.1 & 5.2 – Develop a plan for explicit teaching of new vocabulary and definitions Pairs: List ways for developing discourse with YC. (PPTS: 5.3- 5.6) focus on teacher, play centers, sharing & meeting times	Professionalism Written response Self assessment and assessment of peers Quality of dramatic center Written observation of play and print (FJ)	I.A.h I.A.b I.A.i
Oct. 21 Chapter 6 Sharing Good Books with Young Children	Bring in 2 quality EC books to read, 1 old and 1 new	Analyzing of Children's books by students in small groups, use handout 6.1 and pp. 122-124 in text to assess books Discussion: 6.2 effective read aloud strategies Table talk: Share some of the	Professionalism Do read aloud in the field (FJ)	IV.B.4

		language of your books Books on Chalkboard: Students select a few books to discuss and read aloud		
Oct. 28 Chapter 6 Sharing Good Books with Young Children	Observe a read aloud	View Learning to Read by Reading (unpublished NZ video) Apply: 6.2 and plan a read aloud using 6.3 and at least one extension (pps. 136-140)	Professionalism Written observation of Read aloud (FJ)	I.A.c I.A.d I.A.h I.B.1 I.B.2
Nov. 4 Chapter 7 Teaching Early Reading Skills	Emergent reading checklist in field	Partners: Fill in handout 7.1 and 7.2; go to outside sources such as ReadWriteThink, etc.; site work – to be collected on Nov. 11 th . Video clips on reading to children – assessment form	Professionalism Checklist on emergent reading (FJ) Written responses	I.B.4.g
Nov. 11 Chapter 7 Teaching Early Reading Skills	Respond to key questions Obtain and bring to class copies of the national student content English language arts standards (IRA) & PA Lang. arts standards Hand in handouts, 7.1-7.2	Group discussion: key questions from chapter 7 Table teams: Define and apply terms: Phonological awareness, phonemic awareness & phonics; share including one developmentally appropriate activity to teach those particular aspects of each term Laptops- What other standards and anchors does PA have? PPTS: 7.2-7.5 applications; 7.6- 7.11 phonics rules	Ch. 4, 5, & 6 test Professionalism Written responses Developmentally appropriate applications of terms from chapter (FJ)	I.F I.B.5.h III.F III.K III.P III.Q III.R IV.A
Nov. 18 Chapter 8 Teaching Early Writing	Response to main concept questions	Table teams: Respond to main concepts Partners Discussion: Assess young children's early writing (slides 8.1-8.6) Figure out the developmental levels; handout 8.1 vignettes –what knowledge and skills portrayed? 8.3 handout=emergent writing checklist Table teams 8.4-8.5 handouts- design application for each writing strategy	Professionalism Written responses Finished unit handed in for classroom work	I.A1 I.B.5 I.B.5.h
Dec. 2 Chapter 9 Assessing Young Children's Early Literacy: Finding Out What They Know and Can Do	Response to main concept questions	Table teams- Key conceptdiscussionPPTS: 9.1-9.4 Informationgathering tools and ongoingassessmentShare field journal – oneinteresting thing from each	Written responses Professionalism Assess field journal	IV.A IV.B IV.C IV.D V
Do	1 – 9:00 AM			

Assessment Tool for Micro Teaching

Micro Teaching Lesson on Concept

Assessment Form For:

Date: _____

Section:_____

Concept Title:_____

Printed work to be handed in: Well written description of concept, which includes:

Overview of strategy: 60 pts.

____/3 pts. Your name, section, and title of concept plus mechanics are correct

____/10 pts. Explanation or description of what is the general concept

____/10 pts. Why develop concept?

____/10 pts. Relate concept to developmentally appropriate practices

____/10 pts. Explanation of possible activities to develop concept (two or more)

- ____/5 pts. Modifications for delayed learners
- _____/5 pts. Modifications for English language learners
- ____/4 pts. One additional research article cited in written text about the concept

(a copy of the research article will be attached to written work)

____/3 pts. Have printed copies of a brief overview for everyone at time of microteaching

Planning for Micro Teaching: 40 pts.

Complete **sample lesson plan for one application lesson** that could be used with children for concept taught in our class for us

Total points earned = _____

Micro Teaching: Oral Presentation on an EC Concept for Pre-service Teachers

Assessment Form For:

Date:	Section:
Strategy Lesson Title:	
5= Exceeds Competency 4= Meets Compete 2= Emerging Development 1= Needs Impro	
Explanation of Concept	
Attitude towards teaching the lesson to us Demonstrate belief in the strate Enthusiastic Passionate Add a touch of theater	
Overview of total lesson= Tell us your age	enda for the whole lesson
Visuals/technology to help and support yo	our concept and lesson applications
Well-stated introduction so we know exact	tly what the concept is
Motivation us to want to know about the us?	importance of your concept: Did you really hook
Restate what the concept is and why we	should develop it
State the "developmentally appropriate p	ractice" of concept
Clear explanation with artifacts or video of	f how to apply concept with at least two samples
First applicationSecond application	
Explain how to differentiate concept ELL Delayed learners General education 	
Professional attire & Time –20 minutes of Total possible points = 50 pts.	IESS
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Grade earned = <u>%</u>____

Helping Young Children Learn Language and Literacy: Birth Through Kindergarten, 2nd Ed.

Written Class Assignments, Response Questions and Practice. Homework provides students with the opportunity to extend their learning outside the classroom. At the collegiate level homework provides an opportunity to deepen understanding of new concepts and idea. This form will also be used for in-class work that is handed in.

5 points

- □ Follows the reflection guidelines exactly
- □ Topics or ideas clearly stated
- □ In each reflection, at least two points are fully elaborated
- □ Free of mechanical errors

Comments:

3 points

- Generally follows the reflection guidelines
- Topics or ideas may be unevenly developed
- □ In each reflection, at least two points are elaborated
- □ Some mechanical errors

Comments:

1 point

- Did not follow the reflection guidelines
- □ Topics or ideas not well developed
- □ In each reflection, only one point is fully elaborated
- Many mechanical errors

Comments: