



DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

COURSE OUTLINE – FALL 2021

CD 2045 A2 Practicum 3 – 4 (0-2-28) 7 Weeks Seminar 6 Weeks Practicum

Grande Prairie Regional College respectfully acknowledges that we are located on Treaty 8 territory, the traditional homeland and gathering place for many diverse Indigenous peoples. We are honoured to be on the ancestral lands of the Cree, Dene/Beaver and Métis, whose histories, languages, and cultures continue to influence our vibrant community. We are grateful to have the opportunity to work, learn, and live on this land.

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Feel free to drop by during the day, if I am unavailable please make an appointment.

LOCATION: Off Campus: Various locations throughout the community
On Campus: E302

CALENDAR DESCRIPTION: This is normally a six week practicum in a community early childhood setting such as a child care center, nursery school, kindergarten, family day home or a special placement such as a play program for children in a woman's shelter or an early intervention program. Students will attend weekly seminars throughout the practicum weeks.

PREREQUISITE(S)/COREQUISITE: Certificate in ELCC, CD2050, HS1217 and CD2380

REQUIRED TEXT/RESOURCE MATERIALS: None

DELIVERY MODE(S): This practicum course consists of practical experiences with children in community programs such as child care centers, preschools, family day home, kindergartens, and special placement. The practicum seminar provides a forum for students to integrate theory with practice and to reflect and explore issues related to the field of early childhood education, their studies and their practicum experiences. Students are required to actively participate in discussions.

COURSE OBJECTIVES:

Upon successful completion of this practicum, the student will demonstrate:

- 1) skills in developing a positive rapport with children / skill in interacting with children in a nurturing, supportive manner.
- 2) skill in effectively guiding children's behavior.
- 3) practices that ensure the nutritional, health and safety needs of young children.
- 4) skill in facilitating, extending and enriching children's play in a variety of areas.
- 5) the ability to plan curriculum that supports children's development in all areas.
- 6) the ability to effectively implement and evaluate experiences based on the observed developmental needs and interests of the children.
- 7) the ability to effectively plan, implement, and evaluate learning centers based on the observed developmental needs and interests of the children.
- 8) skills in planning and carrying out group times based on the observed developmental needs and interests of the children.
- 9) the ability to communicate effectively and work collaboratively with other adults in the program.
- 10) professional behavior.

TRANSFERABILITY:

Please consult the Alberta Transfer Guide for more information. You may check to ensure the transferability of this course at the Alberta Transfer Guide main page <http://www.transferalberta.ca>.

** Grade of D or D+ may not be acceptable for transfer to other post-secondary institutions. **Students are cautioned that it is their responsibility to contact the receiving institutions to ensure transferability**

EVALUATIONS: CREDIT/NO CREDIT

All Practicum tasks and a favorable practicum evaluation is required.

GRADING CRITERIA: The credit/no credit grading system is used to determine the final course grade. Attendance is mandatory and students must successfully fulfill all observation and seminar requirements in order to receive credit in this course. This includes completing a variety of planned experiences with young children and in class tasks which must be handed in at the end of some seminar classes.

EXAMINATIONS: None

STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES:

College expects students' conduct to be in accordance with basic rights and responsibilities. Please refer to the GPRC College calendar regarding rights and responsibilities.

STATEMENT ON PLAGIARISM AND CHEATING:

Cheating and plagiarism will not be tolerated and there will be penalties. For a more precise definition of plagiarism and its consequences, refer to the Student Conduct section of the College Calendar at <http://www.gprc.ab.ca/programs/calendar/> or the College Policy on Student Misconduct: Plagiarism and Cheating at <https://www.gprc.ab.ca/about/administration/policies>

**Note: all Academic and Administrative policies are available on the same page.