Northern Marianas College
CURRICULUM ACTION REQUEST
Course: ED145 Safety, Nutrition, and Health for Young Children

Effective Semester / Session: Fall 2021
Type of Action:

- New
- Modification [X] Modification
- Move to Inactive (Stop Out)
- Cancellation

Course Alpha and Number: ED145

Course Title: Safety, Nutrition, and Health for Young Children

Reason for initiating, revising, or canceling:
This course guide is being modified to incorporate the course as a requirement for the Certificate of Completion in Early Childhood Education, as well as update the Catalogue Course Description, Degree or Certificate Requirements met by the Course, Course Prerequisites, Method of Evaluation, Course Outline, Instructional Goals, Student Learning Outcomes, and Assessment Measures of Student Learning Outcomes.

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1. **Department**  
School of Education  

2. **Purpose**  
The purpose of this course is to introduce prospective teachers in the Early Childhood Education field with basic knowledge, skills, and guidance to ensure high quality nutrition, health services, and safe environments for young children. It offers students information on implementing strategies that promote best practices in the nutrition, health, and safety of young children.  

3. **Description**  

   **A. Required/Recommended Textbook(s) and Related Materials**  
   Required:  
   *Health, Safety, and Nutrition for the Young Child | 10th Edition*  
   Lynn R. Marotz  
   Copyright 2020 | Published  
   ISBN: 9780357040775  
   *Caring for School-Age Children | 6th Edition*  
   Phyllis M. Click/Jennifer Parker  
   Copyright 2012 | Published  
   ISBN: 97811111298135  

   Recommended: None  

   **B. Contact Hours**  
   1. **Lecture:** 3 per week / 45 per semester  
   2. **Lab:** None  
   3. **Other:** None  

   **C. Credits**  
   1. **Number:** 3  
   2. **Type:** Regular Degree Credits  

   **D. Catalogue Course Description**  
   This course is a requirement for the Certificate of Completion in Early Childhood Education. This course teaches strategies to promote nutrition, health, and safety of young children in early childhood settings. This includes strategies that promote best practices in nutrition, overall health, and designing developmentally appropriate learning environments. English Placement: EN 095 (offered Fall and Spring).
E. Degree or Certificate Requirements Met by Course
   This is a required course for the Certificate Certificate of Completion in Early Childhood Education.

F. Course Activities and Design
   This course is designed to incorporate lectures, readings, in-class assignments, demonstrations and teach-back, assigned projects, reflective essays, topic discussions, student participation, collaboration and engagement.

4. Course Prerequisite(s); Concurrent Course Enrollment
   Prerequisites: None
   Concurrent Course Enrollment: None

   Required English/Mathematics Proficiency Level(s)
   English Placement Level: EN095
   Mathematics Placement Level: None

5. Estimated Cost of Course; Instructional Resources Needed
   Cost to the Student: Tuition for a 3-credit course, instructional material fees, and textbook.

   Cost to the College: Salary of instructor, supplies, materials and internet.

   Instructional resources needed for this course include: internet, projector, and whiteboard.

6. Method of Evaluation
   Students will be evaluated on the basis of attendance, in-class assignments, demonstrations, a teach-back, assigned projects, reflective essays, topic discussions, participation, collaboration, engagement, midterm and final exams. NMC’s grading and attendance policies will be followed.
7. **Course Outline**
   This is a topical outline and does not necessarily indicate the sequence in which the material will be presented.

1.0 Child Nutrition, Food Safety, and Dietary Guidelines

2.0 Prevention and Early Intervention of Child Illnesses and Diseases

3.0 Observing and Reporting Suspected Child Illnesses and Diseases

4.0 Oral Health

5.0 Mental Health

6.0 Staff Wellness

7.0 Identifying and Reporting Suspected Child Abuse and Neglect

8.0 Children's Indoor and Outdoor Areas

9.0 Emergency Preparedness and Universal Precautions

10.0 Nutrition, Health, and Safety Ongoing Monitoring
8. **Instructional Goals**

The course will introduce students to:

1.0  Overview of Nutrition, Health, and Safety for Young Children;

2.0  Components of Nutrition, Health, and Safety for Young Children;

3.0  Importance of Ensuring Children’s Nutrition, Health Services, and Safe Environments; and

4.0  Strategies and Techniques Used in Promoting Children’s Safety and Wellness.
9. **Student Learning Outcomes**

   Upon successful completion of this course, students will be able to:

   1.0  Explain nutrition, food safety, and dietary guideline for young children;

   2.0  Discuss the importance of maintaining the overall health of young children;

   3.0  Identify different strategies and techniques to prevent child illnesses and diseases;

   4.0  Identify prevention and early intervention strategies for child injury—including conducting daily health and safety checks;

   5.0  Describe procedures for observing and reporting suspected illnesses and diseases;

   6.0  Describe the importance of maintaining staff wellness;

   7.0  Explain emergency preparedness and procedures for young children;

   8.0  Discuss the safety issues for children’s indoor and outdoor areas; and

   9.0  Discuss procedures for observing and reporting suspected child abuse and neglect.

10. **Assessment Measures of Student Learning Outcomes**

    Assessment of student learning may include, but not be limited to, the following:

    1.0  Oral Presentation;

    2.0  Midterm; and

    3.0  Final Exams.