# MIDDLESEX COMMUNITY COLLEGE EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION DEPARTMENT ECE 106- Music and Movement for Young Children



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Class Time: Thursday 6:35pm-9:05pm (Hybrid)

Credits: 3

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CRN# 3097

Semester: Fall 2018

**Room: 521** 

**Snow Hall Room 508** 

# **Course Description:**

This course is designed for students to acquire skills to plan and implement creative music and movement experiences for children from infancy through age eight. Areas of exploration will include singing, listening to music, rhythmic activities, chants, creating music, using instruments with children, exploring multicultural music, dance, movement, and the daily integration of music and movement in early childhood education settings. Students will develop an understanding of: the importance of music and movement experiences in an early childhood environment, the role that music plays in the growth and development of young children, and how these experiences can be creatively planned, implemented and integrated throughout the daily curriculum.

<u>**TEXT:**</u> Pica, Rae. <u>**Experiences in Movement & Music -Birth to Age Eight.**</u> (5<sup>th</sup> Edition) Wadsworth, Cengage Learning. 2013.

### **Course Objectives:**

Upon completion of course, students will be able to:

• Describe the role of movement education in the child's physical, social/emotional, and cognitive development.

- Understand the importance of enhancing creativity and creative expression in young children's development.
- Implement a repertoire of music and movement activities for infants, toddlers, preschoolers, and early-elementary children.
- Enhance cultural awareness through music and movement activities.
- Create lesson plans that promote movement activities that include all the elements of movement.
- Describe how to use music and movement activities from a problem-solving approach.
- Explain the importance of choosing a variety of music and movement activities to contribute and expose children to multicultural education.
- Understand how movement and music can be used for transitions within the classroom.
- Describe general accommodations made for the inclusion of children with physical challenges, hearing impairments, visual impairments, emotional disabilities, and limited understanding for music and movement activities.
- Create movement activities using a variety of props typically available in early-childhood settings.
- Use a variety of articles regarding music and movement for young children as a teaching tool to share with peers, staff, and parents.
- Incorporate music and movement activities throughout the early childhood curriculum to support and enhance intentional teaching methods.

Course Requirements/Grading Grid/ Grading Description

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A	Discussion Posts	100		
В	Article Review	200		
C	Mid-Term Exam	250		
D	Song Picture Book Activity	200		
$\mathbf{E}$	Final Project/ Presentation	250		
	Music and Movement Lesson			
	<b>Total Points</b>	1000		

# **Course Requirements/Description:**

## A. Discussion Post (5x20 points each): (100 points).

Each week that we meet online, you will be responsible for posting an initial response thread in the discussion link located in the course menu. You will also need to respond to someone else's thread. (You may respond to more than one if you wish). The initial thread must directly relate to the discussion question posted. (More information about discussion boards will be found in the discussion board link in Blackboard).

## B. Article Review: (200 points).

This assignment has two parts:

During on-ground class time, we will be discussing various articles on the effects of music and movement on the developing child. You are to choose an article provided in class, and as part of a small group, do a class presentation no longer than ten minutes summarizing the article. Opportunities will be given for classmates to ask questions and to discuss the article in detail. In addition, each student in the group is responsible for submitting individually a two page typed-written **reflection** on your thoughts and reactions about the article.

## C. MID-TERM EXAM: (250 points).

The mid-term exam will be the only test grade you will receive for this class. It will cover Chapters 1 through 6 as well as the notes and activities discussed in class. It will consist of a series of short answers in addition to some short-type essays. A study guide will be distributed and reviewed in class prior to the exam date. It will be provided both on-ground and online.

# D. SONG PICTURE BOOK ACTVITY: (200 points).

You will need to locate a book that contains an illustrated version of children's songs that can be used in an early childhood education setting. The book will have illustrations for the children to make connections and the words to the familiar song. As a group we will all share our books during a class discussion. Additional information will be distributed in class for this assignment.

# E. <u>FINAL PROJECT/PRESENTATION</u>: (250 points).

## **Music and Movement Lesson Plan**

This project will consist of a complete music and movement curriculum lesson plan that you will be responsible for planning and demonstrating in class using your peers as participants. Your lesson plan should contain the following activities in this exact order:

- Greeting Song
- Stationary Warm-Up Movement Activity
- Locomotor Warm-Up Movement Activity
- Exploration of One Element Activity
- Cool Down Activity
- Ending Song

A form will be distributed in class where you are required to put the above information in writing. In addition, you will be leading a small group as you demonstrate and present your music and movement lesson. It is strongly recommended that you include props and movement materials (ex: musical instruments, bean bags, rhythm sticks, children's music, etc.) in your lesson activity to add variety and excitement. Examples will be practiced in class throughout the semester.

**WRITTEN COMMUNICATION STANDARDS:** Proper written communication is a vital professional skill. All written course work must include Standard English Practices. These include: spelling and punctuation, capitalization, sentence and paragraph structure, grammar, clarity of expression, and organization.

## **NOTE FOR ALL ASSIGNMENTS:**

Assignments must be typed with 12-size font and double-spaced and must be submitted on due dates. No hand written work will be accepted. All assignments must creatively have cover page to include student's name, instructor's name, course title and number, course CRN#, clear assignment topic or heading, and submission date. All biographic notations of any articles, other sources reviewed to complete assignments, or cited in the report must be acknowledged in the reference list.

Use APA or MLA format in writing your references. See websites below.

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### **Instructor's Expectations of Students in class:**

- A) Class participation is expected and is needed for small group activities. Many of the class activities involve small groups and are intended for students to engage in active learning.
- B) Students are responsible for all reading assignments and all materials covered in class.
- C) All assignments are due on the dates indicated. Assignments will not be accepted after the due date unless the instructor has been consulted prior to the due date.
- D) Please turn off or turn to vibrate cell phones upon entering the class. Refrain from texting during class as it can be a distraction/disrespectful to the instructor or other students.

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**COURSE OUTLINE** 

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Date	Topics	Assignments
Week 1	Introductions/Ice Breaker	Read Chapter 1
8/30/18	Review Syllabus/Course Overview/	
(On-ground)	Group Activity	
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Week 2	PART I-The Basics of Movement Education	Read Chapters 2
9/6/18	Chapter 1-Movement's Role in	
(On-ground)	Child Development	
	Articles Available for Article Review	
Week 3	Chapter 2-Movement's Role in Musical and	Read Chapter 4
9/13/18	Creative Development	
<b>Online</b>	Crount to Be veropinent	
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Week 4	Chapter 4- Content of the Movement Program	Read Chapter 3
9/20/18		
(On-ground)	(Students will meet with their group for article	
	presentations)	
Week 5	<b>Chapter 3-</b> Child Development Characteristics	Read Chapter 5
9/27/18	And Their Impact on the Movement Program	
<b>Online</b>		
Week 6	Part II-Planning for Movement and Music	Read Chapter 6
10/4/18	Chapter 5-Lesson Planning	
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(On-ground)	Article Presentations Due!	
Week 7	<b>Chapter 6-</b> The When, Where, and What of	Study for Mid-Term
10/11/18	Movement Sessions	
<b>Online</b>	Review for Mid-Term	
Week 8		Read Chapter 7
10/18/18	MID-TERM EXAM	
<b>Online</b>		
Week 9	Chapter 7- Choosing and Using Music	Read Chapter 8
10/25/18		
(On-ground)	Article Presentations Due!	
Week 10	PART III- Facilitating Movement	Song Picture Book
11/1/18	<b>Experiences</b>	Activity Due 11/8/18
Online	Chapter 8-Teaching Methods	
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Week 11 11/8/18 (On-ground) 11/12/18	Sharing/Discussing Song Picture Book Activity  Last day to Withdraw from Class.	Read Chapter 9
Week 12 11/15/18 <b>Online</b>	Chapter 9-Creating and Maintaining a Positive Learning Environment	Read Chapter 10
Week 13 11/22/18	No Class!!  Happy Thanksgiving!!	
Week 14 11/29/18 (On-ground)	Part IV-Movement and Music Through The Day Chapter 10-Movement Across the Curriculum	Read Chapters 11and 12
Week 15 12/6/18 (On-ground)	Chapter 11-Using Movement and Music for Transitions Chapter 12- Bringing Movement Education Outdoors	Work on Final Movement Lesson
Week 16 12/13/18 (On-ground)	LAST CLASS –Final Music and Movement Lessons Due!	

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