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11. IMPACTS ON PROGRAMS/DEPTS:

What programs/departments will be affected by this proposed action? Include information on the Programs/Departments contacted (e.g., email, memo)

Only the CDFS BA Program. No other programs will be affected.

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12. POSITIVE AND NEGATIVE IMPACTS

Please specify **positive and negative** impacts on other courses, programs and departments resulting from the proposed action.

There will be no change for any other courses, programs or departments.

13. 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 current course proposal supports minor course changes that will allow completion of the ECE 480 1-credit course earlier within the program than the prior stated requirement that would have completion coincide with completion of the capstone clinical practices.

ECE 480 is a newer class that was approved during the spring of 2011 for admissions into the 2012-2013 academic catalog as a CDFS program requirement. The course was developed to introduce a standardized program portfolio template. Because of course pre-requisites, there were not any students ready to take the course until spring of 2014.

ECE 480 was introduced with an e-portfolio template and piloted with a small group of 2 students during spring 2014 and again with a group of 3 students during summer 2014. Student feedback led to the understanding that this course would be more supportive to students if they were allowed to begin the portfolio process earlier in the program. Earlier access to the portfolio template and expectations for completion will allow students to be introduced to the template, become familiar with use and then follow through with reflective, strategically planned submissions of program artifacts as they progress through program requirements.

The thought has come up regarding the question; "Should the course remain a 400 level number if anyone can take the course?" and "Would the course better serve students if it were a lower number?" The answer to these questions is no. The course should remain with the current number of 480 since the completed portfolio is the last form of assessment for graduating candidates. Leaving the number as 480 – the last number within the program sequence stresses the message that the portfolio is the last assessment of importance within the program sequence.

Though completion of this Pass (P) Fail (F) course does have specified course outcomes that lead into the beginning phases of portfolio development, the course is currently re-designed as an introduction so that students can understand expectations of the portfolio as a whole and get started with development.

Final assessment of the program portfolio will take place towards the end of the final semester; once a student has completed all program requirements and is an upcoming graduation candidate. The final portfolio will be assessed by three people using a specifically developed rubric. The people chosen for this role will be the CDFS program head, 1 other faculty member (chosen by the CDFS program), and a third person of the student's choice. After completion, rubric documents will be collected by the CDFS program head, who will average the points received. Final program expectations would be a norm final score with a minimum of 80% possible points; equal to a letter minimum grade of B.

Each student will choose their own artifacts demonstrating their competencies within the standards set by the National Association for the Education of Young Children. The portfolio template is located at the following web link should you choose to peruse. https://sites.google.com/a/alaska.edu/uaf-cdfs-e-portfolio/

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UNIVERSITY OF ALASKA FAIRBANKS

College of Rural and Community Development

Child Development and Family Studies (CDEV)

Course Syllabus

Course Title: Child Development and Family Studies Portfolio

Course No: ECE 480

Credits: 3 (.5 + 0 + 1.5)

Prerequisites: Engl 211X or 213X and Completion of all CDFS major and

concentration requirements.

Instructor: Veronica Plumb

2175 University Ave. #220C

Phone:

455-2038

E-mail:

vmplumbalaska.edu

Office or Contact hours: I will be available through email or at this Fairbanks phone

number (907) 455-2038.

Location:

Audio / Blackboard

Dates:

Beginning Fall 2015

Times:

Day / Time Audio Access 1-800-570-3591 PIN 8930368 - First meeting

will be held with the entire group on Date; we will hold another group meeting the following week. We will have one additional meeting with the

group to share and discuss the portfolio process and expectations for completing. Additional meetings will be made accordingly between

individually between students as students need assistance

The student will have the entire semester to complete portfolio assigned work. Students will be expected to continue to work on them through out their program; turning it in following the completion of their concluding CDFS course.

The instructor will be available for any discussion and trouble-shooting as needed by the student.

Text:

No specific text required for ECE 480.

Portfolio template is located within Alaska.edu sites – Google Sites at this web link: https://sites.google.com/a/alaska.edu/uaf-cdfs-e-portfolio/

Additional Resource Information:

NAEYC Standards for Early Childhood Professional Preparation Advanced Programs. Available at the following web site.

http://www.naeyc.org/files/ncate/file/NAEYC%20Initial%20and%20Advanced%20Standards%206_2011-final.pdf

Course Description:

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Course Goals:

Students will analyze and synthesize their Child Development and Family Studies course work. They will have opportunity to reflect, learn and grow as professionals. The final course goal for ECE 480 is to learn about the portfolio process, and compile information and artifacts developed from the knowledge and experiences gained through the CDFS program into a program portfolio.

Student Learning Objectives:

Upon completion of this course the student will be able to:

- a. Analyze, synthesize and articulate what they have learned and how they have grown professionally through their Child Development and Family Studies course work.
- b. Learn the CDFS portfolio process and expectations.
- c. Adopt program portfolio template under own ownership.
- d. Develop Introduction of self and personal bio to post under the introduction section of portfolio template.
- e. Articulate their personal philosophy for early childhood education in conjunction with family studies.
- f. Students will complete 6 entries into the portfolio template by end of this first introductory semester inclusionary of introduction page and beginning philosophy.

By completion of the program and portfolio process, the student project portfolio will reflect and address all of the following National Association for the Education of Young Children standards.

Standard 1: Supporting child development and learning

Standard 2: Building family and community relations

Standard 3: Observing, documenting and assessing to support young children and their families

Standard 4: Using developmentally effective approaches to connect children and families

Standard 5: Using content knowledge to build meaningful curriculum

Standard 6: Becoming a Professional

Instructional Methods:

The method of instruction will be a combination of instructor and student discussion and student field work to evaluate and synthesize all program course work into a final program portfolio. Other communication will take place through email.

Requirements and Assignments:

The final portfolio will be developed out of the following assignments: Any areas in addition to the Portfolio Introduction paragraph with bio, and Beginning philosophy of Education may be completed as the additional 4 entries.

Review and Selection of final papers and projects from previous CDFS course work.

Final papers and projects will be used to develop the final program portfolio. Previous course work will be reviewed and placed within selections that address the NAEYC standards to document knowledge constructed during the CDFS program.

• Portfolio Introduction Photograph and Bio:

An introduction will be written to explain what your portfolio is and how it was developed.

• Beginning Philosophy of Education for young children.

A final written philosophy of education will be included within the portfolio either prior to or following the NAEYC standard selections.

• Standard Introduction, artifacts demonstrating competency and final reflections:

Each standard section will have an introduction and a final reflection written with the selected documentation coursework from previous classes as content.

• Final portfolio concluding reflection.

A concluding reflection will be written that critiques your knowledge development as well as brings your final thoughts together for a final concluding statement.

• Complete Bibliography:

Complete bibliography of all sources used throughout all papers, projects and other written work.

• The portfolio will be written using APA formatting.

Course Evaluation:

A Pass (P) or Fail (F) grade will be issued for participants. Passing grade will be 80% and

above. Failing grade will be 79% and below. Grading will be based on:

Beginning development of portfolio with inclusion of introductory reflection and beginning philosophy.

400 100%

TOTAL

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All coursework will be evaluated on the following:

- a) Sharing Portfolio Link 0 pts. Remember, this piece is critical to assessing your portfolio.
- b) Organization 50 pts.
- c) Demonstration of the six NAEYC standards 50 pts.
- d) Reflection of course content 50 pts.
- e) Thoughtful assimilation/accommodation with evidence of conceptual connections and understanding of content 100 pts.
- f) Written work contains no or less than 5 distracting elements such as spelling errors 100 pts.
- g) APA formatting techniques 50 pts.

Passing (P) 100-80%	Failing (F) 80% below
a) All required items are included and	All required items are not included and possibly
organized according to table of contents.	not organized according to table of contents.
50 – 40 points	39 points and below
b) Items posted clearly demonstrate the six	Items do not clearly demonstrate the six NAEYC
NAEYC standards	standards
50 – 40 points	39 points and below
c) Reflections illustrate the ability to	Reflections do not illustrate the ability to
effectively critique work, and to suggest	effectively critique work, with or without
constructive practical alternatives.	constructive practical alternatives.
50 – 40 points	39 points and below
d) Items are clearly introduced, well	Items clearly demonstrate some or most of the
organized, and creatively displayed,	desired learning outcomes for the term. The
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100 - 80 points	concepts and applications.
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e) Written work contains no or few	Written work contains some or many distracting
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Portfolio Grading Rubric

Grade	Points	Definition
P = 100% - 80%	400- 320	An honor grade. Demonstrates your work has met and exceeded
		criteria (a) though (f).
F = 79% and	319 - 0	Student was not able to meet 79% or more of criteria (a) through
below		(f).

Draft Course Calendar:

This schedule is fluid and may be updated during the semester. The instructor will inform students of changes in a timely manner. Any changes will be updated on the class Bb site. Students are responsible for keeping track of schedule changes once announced.

1) Formal Meeting	September 9, 2014 Review portfolio expectations; introductions of group. It will be handy to have your computer ready and opened to the template if possible. Instructor is available for individual assistance throughout the semester.
2) Formal Meeting	September 16, 2014 Go over portfolio presentation. Discussion to provide assistance for refining work.
Informal Meetings	Meetings set at the discretion of individual students as they wish to discuss points of the portfolio process or have questions answered.
3) Final Meeting	Individualized meetings. • Finalize portfolio and turn into instructor for review.

Support Services:

The instructor is available upon appointment for additional assistance outside normal session/class hours and posted office hours

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

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

Writing Center

http://www.alaska.edu/english/studentresources/writing/

The Writing Center is a student-staffed, student-oriented service of the English Department.

801 Gruening Bldg., P.O. Box 755720

Fairbanks, Alaska 99775-5720

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.

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

For more off campus help go to:

http://www.uaf.edu/library/instruction/ls101/other/Distance Resources.html

Computer, Internet and Software

Problem: you cannot get your email Make sure your Internet connection is working; to test it, you can try to go to a new web page and see if it loads.

- If you are having problems with a UAF account, you will need to contact the **UAF help desk 1.800.478.4667**. If it is another company's account, you will need to contact their customer support. There is very little we can do to assist you as we have no control or access to the computers that serve the email.
- Check with your email program's Help.

Problem: you forgot your password

• Only the organization that issued your password can do anything to change it. You will need to contact them. For UAF email and Blackboard it is the UAF help desk 1.800.478.4667. For most 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

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.

The Disability Services program, located in 208 Whitaker, provides services to students with documented disabilities on the Fairbanks campus as well as the Bristol Bay, Chukchi, Interior Aleutians, Kuskokwim, Northwest, and Community and Technical College campuses, Distance Education, and the College of Rural and Community Development. The goal of Disability Services is to ensure equal access to educational opportunities at UAF. Academic accommodations are free of charge and available to any student who qualifies as an individual with a disability and is enrolled in at least 1 credit hour.

Disability Services operates an assistive technology lab with specialized software. UAF has an accessible shuttle bus service equipped with a wheelchair lift for transportation on campus and most campus buildings are accessible. Accessible living accommodations are available through Residence Life. There is a swimming pool with a hydraulic lift in the Patty Center.

For more information contact the director of Disability Services at 907-474-5655 or 907-474-1827 (TTY), email <u>uaf-disabilityservices@alaska.edu</u>, or online at <u>www.uaf.edu/disability/</u>.