

## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

### COURSE OUTLINE – Winter 2023

#### CD 1370 (EC): Guiding Children's Behaviour I – 2 (3-0-0) 30 Hours for 15 Weeks

Northwestern Polytechnic acknowledges that our campuses are located on Treaty 8 territory, the ancestral and present-day home to many diverse First Nations, Metis, and Inuit people. We are grateful to work, live and learn on the traditional territory of Duncan's First Nation, Horse Lake First Nation and Sturgeon Lake Cree Nation, who are the original caretakers of this land.

We acknowledge the history of this land and we are thankful for the opportunity to walk together in friendship, where we will encourage and promote positive change for present and future generations.

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**CALENDAR DESCRIPTION:** This course is designed to help students understand children's behaviour and what it means to use a positive guidance approach in supporting children's social, emotional, and moral development. Environmental and developmental factors, which influence behaviour are examined, as are the principles of the guidance approach and ways in which these principles can be applied in early learning and childcare settings.

**PREREQUISITE(S)/COREQUISITE:** None

**REQUIRED TEXT/RESOURCE MATERIALS:** Access to MyClass

**DELIVERY MODE(S):** Online

**COURSE OBJECTIVES:** This course will introduce students to:

- An early educator's role in supporting and guiding young children as they learn the intricacies of socially appropriate behavior.
- The various caregiving styles that affect children's behaviours.
- Theories that set the base for understanding child guidance.
- The role of child development in a behaviour context.
- The importance of supportive environments in child guidance.
- Positive guidance and discipline strategies.

**LEARNING OUTCOMES:** As a result of this course learners will effectively:

- Explain how guidance, discipline, and punishment differ.
- Explain how development influences behavior.
- Identify environmental factors that can influence children’s behavior.
- Outline strategies practitioners can use to create positive interpersonal environments.
- Identify positive and respectful communication practices and attitudes in guiding children’s behavior.
- Discuss developmentally appropriate, positive prevention strategies when guiding children’s behavior

“Flight: Alberta’s Early Learning and Care Framework”, is a leading curriculum for the early learning and child care profession. Concepts from the framework will be covered in a variety of different ways in each of our Early Learning and Childcare courses.

**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:**

Your final grade for this course will be based on:

- Discussion Forum Posts – 20% of your final grade.
- Learning Activities – 20% of the final grade.
- Assignments – 60% of the final grade.

**GRADING CRITERIA:**

Please note that a pass in ELCC courses is a C-.

Alpha Grade	4-point Equivalent	Percentage Guidelines		Alpha Grade	4-point Equivalent	Percentage Guidelines
A+	4.0	90-100		C+	2.3	67-69
A	4.0	85-89		C	2.0	63-66
A-	3.7	80-84		C-	1.7	60-62
B+	3.3	77-79		D+	1.3	55-59
B	3.0	73-76		D	1.0	50-54
B-	2.7	70-72		F	0.0	00-49

## COURSE SCHEDULE/TENTATIVE TIMELINE:

Unit & Dates	Learning Activities Due Date	Assignment Due Date	Discussion Board Due Date
Unit 1 Weeks 1-3 January 4 – January 22	January 15	January 22	January 15
Unit 2 Weeks 4-5 January 22 – February 5	February 5	No Assignment	February 5
Unit 3 Weeks 6-8 February 5 – February 26	February 19	February 26	February 19
Unit 4 Weeks 9-11 February 26 – March 26	March 19	March 26	March 19
Unit 5 Weeks 12-end March 26 – April 16	April 9	April 16	April 9

\*all work is due by 11:59 p.m. on the dates indicated above

### STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES:

Northwestern Polytechnic expects students' conduct to be in accordance with basic rights and responsibilities. Please refer to the NWP 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 <https://www.nwpolytech.ca/programs/calendar/> or the College Policy on Student Misconduct: Plagiarism and Cheating at <https://www.nwpolytech.ca/about/administration/policies/index.html>

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

### Additional Information:

Each unit contains:

- *An overview* which introduces you to the unit and outlines the learning objectives.
- *Course notes* which include background information about the specific topics. Along with the information in your text, course notes are the “meat” of the unit and set the stage for your other readings and activities.
- **Discussion Forum:** There will be a question posted to discuss during each Unit (for a total of 5 questions). As a minimum, you are expected to make one substantial posting with a thoughtful and

substantial response to the question, to make one response to a posting that someone else has done (and your response needs to have thoughtful content - - not just a statement of agreement), and you need to read all of the postings. The system allows me to track your access to various postings as well as to read what you write. These posts can be considered as “thinking papers.” The goal is for you to integrate the knowledge from the course to your practice and reflect on the effectiveness of your learning. There will be rigid due dates for your posts.

***The Discussion Forums are worth 20% of your final grade for this course. For a complete rubric please see the discussion board and learning activity rubric in the welcome module.***

- *Learning Activities.* Each unit has special tasks for you to complete. These learning activities are to be submitted to your instructor for feedback and marking. They allow your instructor to monitor your learning throughout the course and to provide you with helpful feedback. Each learning activity will be looked at by your instructor. However, only one per unit will be graded with feedback. **ALL ACTIVITIES MUST BE COMPLETED TO PASS THE COURSE.**

*Learning activities are worth 20% of your final grade for this course.*

#### **Criteria for Grading Learning Activities**

Each learning activity will be graded out of 10 marks. The grading will be based on the following criteria:

- The thoroughness and clarity of your completed work.
- The depth of understanding you have demonstrated regarding the topic.
- The academic quality of your work (spelling, grammar, sentence structure, presentation etc.).

For a complete rubric please see the discussion board and learning activity rubric in the welcome module.

- *Readings.* Each unit has readings from your text that you are to complete. Some units have additional on-line readings that you will complete.
- *References.* Each unit has a list of references to show you where course information was obtained. Some units also include *further reading* recommendations on specific topics. To learn about any topic in more depth, locate the article, book, or web-site cited in the list of references.
- **Assignments:** these are an important part of your learning. Each unit assignment **must** be completed and submitted to your instructor for feedback and marking. **All course assignments must be completed in order to receive a course mark.**

**Your instructor has set specific deadlines for each of the assignments in this course. Late assignments will be penalized by a deduction of 2% per day up to a maximum of ten days.**

It is strongly recommended that you **keep copies of each assignment before submitting them to your instructor.** Save a copy on your computer or Google drive. **60% of your final grade for the course is based on the quality of work shown in your assignments.**

**For a complete assignment rubric please see the appropriate unit assignment folder.**