

Master Course Syllabus

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ECD 131 LANGUAGE ARTS

Course Number	ECD 131
Course Title	Language Arts
Credit Hours	3
Prerequisites	None
Course Description	This course is a study of methods and material in age appropriate language experiences. Opportunities are provided to develop listening speaking, pre-reading and prewriting skills through planning, implementation, and evaluation of media, methods, techniques and equipment. Methods of selection, evaluation, and presentation of children's literature are included.
Course Objectives	<p>Identify language arts activities that are appropriate for the different stages of language development.</p> <p>Plan, utilize and evaluate a variety of media, methods, techniques, and equipment to support the age-appropriate language arts experiences for young children.</p> <p>Interrelate language activities, in all areas of the curriculum.</p> <p>Select, evaluate, and present quality literature that is appropriate for various stages of development.</p> <p>Print consistently with the style of manuscript that is used in public schools.</p>
Course Developer	Dr. Earlene Walker-Kelly
Means of Instruction	Lectures, classroom discussions, projects, lesson plans, handouts and class activities
Required Textbook/Written Materials/Supplies	<i>See Booklist online for current book.</i>

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General Education Core Competencies

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<p>Communication: Students will be able to communicate effectively through reading, writing, speaking and listening.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Prepare written documents in a professional manner.• Develop oral communication skills to present information in a professional and appropriate manner.• Demonstrate appropriate listening skills in one-on-one and small and large group settings.	<p>Each student will create and conduct a storytelling activity using an appropriate book for preschool child.</p> <p>Each student will compile a professional portfolio of artifacts related to the teaching/learning experience.</p>

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<p>Mathematical Reasoning: Students will apply those mathematical skills appropriate to their program of study.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Analyze and solve mathematical problems needed in the workplace, daily life and educational environment.• Interpret data using analytical methods.	
<p>Critical Thinking: Students will employ effective processes for resolving problems and making decisions.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Identify problems and potential causes.• Solve problems using basic research, analysis and interpretation.• Evaluate results of solutions and revise strategies as indicated by findings.	Each student will be required to design and make a teacher-made book.

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<p>Technology Utilization: Students will apply knowledge of computers on a level compatible with job and/or educational demands.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Demonstrate a basic knowledge of computer applications including word processing, spreadsheets, databases, and presentation software.• Use basic operating system functions competently (e.g. store and retrieve data, load software).• Demonstrate communication and research skills through use of the internet.	<p>Students may use e-mail to correspond with instructor, use internet to search for information to complete learning activities.</p> <p>Each student will be required to complete a printing package designed to allow the student to practice correct letter formation.</p> <p>Children's Literature Reviews-Students will read, summarize and evaluate 25 children's book. The evaluations shall be typed and placed in the student's Professional Portfolio. The Following information is required for each book: author, title of book, city of publication and name of Publisher, date of publication, age level, summary and evaluation</p>
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<p>Interpersonal Skills: Students will deal effectively and appropriately with others.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Interact well with individuals and groups from diverse backgrounds and cultures.• Work with others in situational analysis, problem solving, and task accomplishment.• Demonstrate respect for the rights, work, and views of others.	<p>Each student will plan and conduct a group activity with the class. A song, chant, or finger-play maybe used to actively engage students during this group activity</p>
<p>Professionalism: Students will exhibit professionalism through observances of a code of ethics, a sense of responsibility, good habits, and a positive attitude.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Demonstrate personal and business integrity and ethics.• Recognize, manage, and cope with the transitions of change.• Utilize informational resources for lifelong learning.	

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College Policies

Policy Type	Policy Description
Attendance Policy	<p>Williamsburg Technical College does not require specific attendance in a course. Acknowledging that participation supports student success in coursework, however, individual instructors may set attendance guidelines for the course. Those specific guidelines must be included in the course syllabus. (<i>See Syllabus Addendum provided by the instructor.</i>)</p> <p>In addition, students must attend during the first two weeks of class or inform the instructor of their intent to attend to remain on the class roster. If no prior arrangements have been made and the student does not attend during the first two weeks following the semester start date, the student will be dropped as a “no show” from that course following the second week of class.</p> <p>Class rosters will be final as of the end of the second week of classes.</p> <p>Students may withdraw from a class at any time by completing a withdrawal form in the Student Services Office. A student can only receive a “WP” grade if withdrawal is completed in the Student Services Office prior to the last date to receive a “WP” grade published in the academic calendar. Students who fail to withdraw by the specified time will receive a letter grade for the course. For specific procedures related to this policy, refer to WTC Procedure D-23.1.</p>
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Policy for Students with Disabilities	<p>The Student Affairs Division provides counseling and support services which help students with disabilities to pursue academic programs of their choice and participate fully in campus life.</p> <p>The AVP for Student Affairs can arrange counseling, special parking, priority registration, and other reasonable services needed by students with disabilities. Students with disabilities are encouraged to contact the AVP for Student Affairs to discuss needs and concerns as they arise.</p>
Policy for Academic Misconduct	All forms of academic dishonesty including, but not limited to, cheating on tests, plagiarism, collusion, and falsification of information will call for discipline. See the Student Code & Grievance Procedure in the Williamsburg Technical College Catalog for details.

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Grading Policy	<p>The College operates on the semester hour system, and the following symbols are used in grading:</p> <p>A-- Excellent B -- Above Average C -- Average D -- Passing F -- Failure I -- Incomplete WF -- Withdrawal while failing WP -- Withdrawal while passing</p>
Policy for Class Safety and Emergencies	<p>Injuries must be reported to the AVP for Student Affairs immediately. Insurance claim forms are available in the Student Affairs division. Please refer to the college catalogue for more information on how Williamsburg Technical College addresses safety and emergency issues. For additional information, contact Student Affairs at 843.355.4162.</p> <p>Students taking coursework at off-site locations are responsible for reading and adhering to all safety instructions and guidance at the off-site location.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Health Services and First Aid</p> <p>Williamsburg Technical College is a commuter institution; therefore, infirmary facilities are not provided. Basic first aid for minor injuries is available, and first aid kits are located in various departments of the College. Major illness or injury will be treated by health professionals. The campus is located adjacent to Williamsburg Regional Hospital.</p> <p>Each student is covered by accident insurance at no additional cost. This group insurance covers the student while on campus and during college-sponsored group travel.</p>