

Course Outline

Childhood Studies, ELCC Diploma Program

Winter, 2024

ELCC 340

Anti-Bias Education in Child Care

3 credits, 45 hours lecture

This programming course emphasizes the importance of providing a curriculum that demonstrates the four goals of Anti-Bias Education. Students are encouraged to recognize their own social and economic biases, and critically examine their program for evidence of human diversity, and develop strategies to promote self-awareness, confidence, family pride and positive social identities. Students will be involved in an action project to implement change in practice.

Prerequisite: ELCC Certificate or equivalent

NOTE: Not available to students with credit in ELCC 308.

Instructor

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Office Hours

I am available to meet online after lectures. If you require confidential assistance please email to schedule a time to meet online. Your email will be returned within 48 hours. Emails sent on weekends will be answered on the next business day. Any casual course-related questions are encouraged to be posted on the course forum within Moodle.

Hours of Instruction

Online with Zoom classes held biweekly on Thursdays 6:30 PM - 9:30 PM (Please note: date and time subject to change - the intent is for this course to be fully online over the seven weeks, however, seminars have been scheduled if needed)

Required Resources

Derman- Sparks, L., LeeKeenan, D. & Nimmo, J. (2015). *Leading anti-bias early childhood programs: A guide for change*. New York, NY: Teachers College Press. ISBN: 9780807755983

- e-book ISBN: 9780807773406

Derman-Sparks, L. & Olsen Edwards, J. (2010). *Anti-Bias education for young children and ourselves*. Washington D.C.: NAEYC. ISBN:9781938113574

- e-book ISBN: 9781938113581

Online Resources

Indigenous Early Learning and Child Care Framework. (2018). Retrieved from <https://www.canada.ca/en/employment-social-development/programs/indigenousearlylearning/2018-framework.html>

Makovichuk, L., Hewes, J., Lirette, P., & Thomas, N. (2014). Flight: Alberta’s early learning and care framework. Retrieved from flightframework.ca

Course Outcomes

Upon successful completion of this course, the student shall be able to:

1. Critically evaluate their program with regards to providing an anti-bias curriculum.
2. Develop and implement a plan to become a reflective practitioner who is sensitive and responsive to aspects of diversity.
3. Recognize their own social and economic biases.
4. Analyze and discuss their own anti-bias education practice.
5. Examine the issues surrounding systemic privilege, prejudice and discrimination.
6. Develop and implement an anti-bias curriculum that supports all children’s identities and empowers children to become social justice activists.
7. Connect the issues discovered in the readings, with real situations through linkages to their personal lives.
8. Recognize and address potential conflict that may arise with families, staff and self as part of the change process.
9. Use ‘A Practice of Relationships’ from the Alberta Curriculum Framework to support an anti-biased curriculum.

The class will proceed throughout the semester according to the needs, skills and interests of the group. Each group of people presents a unique blend of personalities and abilities. Accordingly, the course content will reflect the needs and nature of the group and the individuals within the group.

Evaluation: *detailed assignment instructions and rubrics will be online.*

Assignment	Value	Due
<p>Becoming an Anti-Bias Educator Reflections: Using Derman- Sparks, LeeKeenan, & Nimmo, J. and Derman-Sparks & Olsen Edwards texts as well as the Alberta Curriculum Framework, students will be required to complete a series graded reflections. Initial posts are due each Friday, with peer responses due by Monday.</p>	35%	Weekly on Fridays
<p>Course Activities Throughout the course you will be asked to complete a variety of course Learning Activities such as self-assessments, sharing books, or creating a tool to use with families. Please complete each activity as directed. These activities are to help you develop a deeper understanding of course material. All graded activities are indicated in Moodle.</p>	15%	Weekly on Mondays

<p>Assignment 1 - Becoming an Anti-bias Program In preparation to implement an anti-bias program, analyze your own program. Identify the assets, allies, and strengths of your program that will help you in becoming an anti-bias program. Identify obstacles and challenges that may hinder you. Include goals</p>	<p>20%</p>	<p>End of week 3</p>
<p>Assignment 2 - Anti-bias Curriculum Plan and Implementation: Students will demonstrate their implementation of providing an anti-bias curriculum with planning notes, documentation panels. Students will be expected to share results with class.</p>	<p>30%</p>	<p>End of week 6 (or after reading week)</p>

Proposed Schedule of Topics

Week 1- Module 1- Introduction to diversity and anti-bias education (Course Outcomes 1,4)

Week 2 - Module 2 - Reflective writing and practice (1, 2, 3, 7)

Week 3 - Module 3 - Becoming an anti-bias teacher (1,3, 4, 5, 7)

Week 4 - Module 4 - Creating community with educators and families (7, 8, 9)

Week 5 - Module 5 – Culture, Equity and Fairness (4, 5, 7)

Week 6 - Module 6 – Conflict and Change (5, 6, 8)

Week 7 – Module 7 - Leading and Sustaining Anti bias Curriculum (1, 2, 4, 6, 7)

Please Note: Date and time allotted to each topic is subject to change.

The minimum passing grade for this course is a C- (60%), which is required for progression or transfer.

Grading System

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Performance Requirements and Student Services Student Responsibilities

It is your responsibility as a student to contact the Office of the Registrar to complete the forms for Withdrawal or Change of Registration, and any other forms. Please refer to the list of important dates as

4.0 Grade Scale	Alpha Grade	Percentage Grade
4.0	A+	96-100
4.0	A	90-95
3.7	A-	85-89
3.3	B+	81-84
3.0	B	77-80
2.7	B-	73-76
2.3	C+	69-72
2.0	C	65-68
1.7	C-	60-64
1.3	D+	55-59
1.0	*D	50-54
0.0	F	0-49

Responses fail to demonstrate appropriate noted in the Academic Schedule in the Keyano College credit calendar. The Keyano College credit calendar also has information about Student Rights and Code of Conduct. It is the responsibility of each student to be aware of the guidelines outlined in the Student Rights and Code of Conduct Policies.

Student Attendance

Class attendance is useful for two reasons. First, class attendance maximizes a student's learning experience. Second, attending class is a good way to keep informed of matters relating to the administration of the course (e.g., the timing of assignments and exams). Ultimately, you are responsible for your own learning and performance in this course.

It is the responsibility of each student to be prepared for all classes. Students who miss classes are responsible for the material covered in those classes and for ensuring that they are prepared for the next class, including the completion of any assignments and notes that may be due.

Academic Misconduct

Students are considered to be responsible adults and should adhere to principles of intellectual integrity. Intellectual dishonesty may take many forms, such as:

- Plagiarism or the submission of another person's work as one's own;
- The use of unauthorized aids in assignments or examinations (cheating);
- Collusion or the unauthorized collaboration with others in preparing work;
- The deliberate misrepresentation of qualifications;
- The willful distortion of results or data;
- Substitution in an examination by another person;
- Handing in the same unchanged work as submitted for another assignment; and
- Breach of confidentiality.

The consequences for academic misconduct range from a verbal reprimand to expulsion from the College. More specific descriptions and details are found in the Student Rights and Code of Conduct section of the Keyano College credit calendar. It is the responsibility of each student to be aware of the guidelines outlined in the Student Rights and Code of Conduct Policies.

In order to ensure your understanding of the concept of plagiarism, you must successfully complete the online tutorial found on ilearn.keyano.ca. Then print the certificate, sign it, and show it to each of your instructors. Your course work may not be graded until you show this signed certificate.

All student services are available during Keyano business hours: Monday to Friday, 8h30-16h30.

Accessibility Services: provides accommodations for students with disabilities. Students with documented disabilities, or who suspect a disability, can meet with a Learning Strategist to discuss their current learning barriers and possible accommodations. Students who have accessed accommodations in the past are encouraged to contact us to request them for the semester. Please note that requesting accommodations is a process and requires time to arrange. Contact us as soon as you know you may require accommodations. For accessibility services supports and to book a virtual appointment, please contact accessibility.services@keyano.ca.

Accessibility Services also provides individual and group learning strategy instruction for all students, as well as technology training and supports to enhance learning. Meet with a Learning Strategist to learn studying and test-taking strategies for online classes. Schedule an appointment with the Assistive Technology Specialist to explore technology tools for learning. Book an appointment today by emailing accessibility.services@keyano.ca

Wellness Services: offers a caring, inclusive, and respectful environment where students can access free group and individual support to meet academic and life challenges. Mental Health Coordinators offer a safe and confidential environment to seek help with personal concerns. All individual appointments will continue virtually.

Wellness Services welcomes students to participate in any of the virtual group sessions offered throughout the academic year addressing topics including mindfulness and test anxiety.

Individual virtual appointments can be made by emailing wellness.services@keyano.ca.

Library Services: provides students with research and information supports as they engage in their studies. Library staff are available to support you both virtually and in person throughout the semester. For a detailed list of library supports and services, go to www.keyano.ca/library. For any inquiries, please email askthelibrary@keyano.ca.

Begin your research with the [Library's FIND page](#). Search for sources using OneSearch, the Library's Catalogue, or by searching in a specific database selected from the [A-Z Database List](#).

Individual support with the Information Librarian is available virtually. Appointments can be requested by using the [Book A Librarian online form](#).

Research and Subject Guides are helpful resources when beginning your research or addressing other information needs. To view a subject or course specific guide, go to the Subject Guide webpage [here](#).

To access additional research resources, including Citation Guides (APA, MLA, Chicago, or IEEE), go to the [Research Help Library page](#).

The Loanable Technology collection is available to support students in their online learning pursuits. Items available for borrowing include mobile projectors, webcams, noise cancelling headphones, Chromebooks, and laptops. For an up-to-date list of technology available for borrowing, go to the Library's [Loanable Technology webpage](#).

Skill Centre: Provides academic support services to students registered in credit programs at Keyano College in the form of tutoring, assignment/lab support, writing support groups, facilitated study groups, workshops, and study space. This service is free and is available for all Math, Sciences, Humanities and Trades courses offered at Keyano.

While most courses are being offered online, the Skill Centre will be offering mostly virtual services and in-person sessions as requested. Please email Skill@keyano.ca to get in contact with our Academic Content Specialists. The Skill Centre is located in CC-119 at the Clearwater Campus.

For the most up to date information on how to book a session, please view the [Keyano Skill Centre homepage](#).

Academic Success Coaching: offers you support and access to resources for your academic success to help you to find the Keys to your Success. The Academic Success Coach will work with you to develop an academic success plan, develop your study and time management skills, and connect you with the right resources here at Keyano. Academic.success@keyano.ca is the best way to access resources during virtual service delivery. The Academic Success Coach is located in the Skill Centre in CC-119 at the Clearwater Campus.

E-Learning

Technology and internet will impact your online learning experience. It's important that you are able to watch an online video and other course materials, take online quizzes, and participate in a live class with your instructor and other students.

Keyano College operates in a Windows based environment and having the correct tools for online learning is important. Here's a list of recommended system requirements.

Internet Speed

Minimum Internet speeds of 5 Mbps.

Recommended Internet speeds of 25 Mbps (especially if you are sharing your internet at home). Check your internet speed with Fast.com.

System requirements:

Microsoft Windows	Apple
<p>Minimum Requirements:</p> <p>A Windows 10 computer/laptop · Minimum 4GB of RAM.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · 10GB+ available hard drive storage. · Enough available hard drive space to install the Microsoft Office suite (approximately 3GB). <u>Microsoft Office</u> software is free to all Keyano students and employees. · Microphone, webcam and speakers. A headset with a microphone is recommended. · System updates must be regularly installed. · Anti-Virus / Anti-Malware software 	<p>Minimum Requirements:</p> <p>A Macintosh (V10.14 and above) computer/laptop · Minimum 4GB of RAM.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · 10GB+ available hard drive storage. · Enough available hard drive space to install the Microsoft Office suite (approximately 3GB). <u>Microsoft Office</u> software is free to all Keyano students and employees. · Microphone, webcam and speakers. A headset with a microphone is recommended. · System updates must be regularly installed. · Anti-Virus / Anti-Malware software.
<p>Recommended Requirements</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · 8GB of RAM · A method of backing up/synchronizing to local or cloud-based storage such as OneDrive is highly recommended. This is included if you complete the setup of KeyanoMail and download MS Office using your Keyano email for free. 	<p>Recommended Requirements</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · 8GB of RAM · A method of backing up/synchronizing to local or cloud-based storage such as OneDrive is highly recommended. This is included if you complete the setup of KeyanoMail and download MS Office using your Keyano email for free.

Chromebooks are **not** recommended as they are not compatible with testing lockdown browsers.

A Microsoft Surface or iPad or iPad Pro may be possible alternatives in some program areas.

Specific Department Requirements:

Business and OA programs require Windows 10.

Other programs may utilize Windows based tools as well.

Computer Software

Students will be able to get access to Microsoft Office 365 for free using Keyano credentials by [clicking here](#).

Recording of Lectures and Intellectual Property

Students may only record a lecture if explicit permission is provided by the instructor or by Accessibility Services. Even if students have permission to record a lecture or lecture materials, students may not share, distribute, or publish any of the lectures or lecture materials, this includes any recordings, slides, instructor notes, etc. on any platform. Thus no student is allowed to share, distribute, publish or sell course related content (instructor, or students) without permission. It is important to recognize that the Canadian Copyright Act contains provisions for intellectual property. The Academic Integrity Policy provides additional information on Keyano College’s expectations from students as members of the intellectual community.

ITS Helpdesk

If you are having issues with your student account, you can contact the ITS Helpdesk by emailing its.helpdesk@keyano.ca or calling 780-791-4965.

Authorization

This course outline has been reviewed and approved by the Program Chair.

Sally Abbas, Instructor

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Date Authorized

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