SIMON FRASER UNIVERSITY

EDUCATION 464-4

Early Childhood Education

Summer Intersession, 1989

(May 8 - June 16)

Tuesday & Thursday, 1:00 - 4:50 P. M.

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PREREQUISITE:

Education 401/402 or equivalent.

DESCRIPTION:

This course is designed for persons interested in the education of young children aged 2-8 years, including programs in day care, preschool, and kindergarten, with a slight concentration on kindergarten.

- 1. Students will engage in historical, sociological and philosophical issues in ECE.
- 2. Students will explore the psychological foundations of a variety of ECE instructional practices, from teacher-directed lessons to instructionally designed play environment.
- 3. Students will learn to apply a general theoretical framework to comprehensive programming for young children in both preschool and the primary grades.

REQUIREMENTS:

- 1. Five two-age thought papers on specific readings.
- 2. Students will write a scholarly review of a book selected from a list provided.

TEXTS:

Bruner, Jerome. (1986). <u>Actual minds. possible worlds</u>. Cambridge, Mass.: Harvard Univ. Press. ISBN 0-674-00365-9.

Donaldson, M. (1978). Children's minds. New York: W. W. Norton. ISBN 0-393-95101-4.

Tough, Joan. (1977). <u>Talking and learning</u>. London: Ward Lock. ISBN 0-706-23603-3.