

EDUCATION 486-4

SPECIAL TOPICS: The Early Primary Years -  
Strategies and Methods for Kindergarten Teachers

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Wednesday, 4:30 - 8:20

LOCATION: on campus

COURSE DESCRIPTION

The course will introduce you to a survey of principles and practices of school programs for the early years - specifically at the Kindergarten and Year One levels in British Columbia.

The course will focus on such topics as:

- selected aspects of child growth and development as they relate to, and hold implication for, school programs in the initial years;
- goals and objectives of a Kindergarten/Year One program;
- creating learning environments and selecting, organizing, and implementing instructional strategies, materials, and content;
- appraising pupil learning, assessing teaching performance, and evaluating educational programs.

The course will comprise of a broad range of experiences (lectures, workshops, seminars, discussions groups, etc.) organized in such a way as to model a student-centered approach and to maximize individualization of learning.

COURSE REQUIREMENTS

Attendance and participation in all parts of the program.

Completion of readings, completion of major investigative project, and completion of various follow-up assignments.

Demonstration of competency in fulfilment of selected assignments.

TEXT - No required text.

A variety of recommended readings and resources.