

**SIMON FRASER UNIVERSITY**

**EDUCATION 464-4**

**EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION**

Regular Summer Semester, 1991  
(May 6 – August 2)  
Tuesdays  
1:00 - 4:50 p.m..  
Location: MPX 8620

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**PREREQUISITE**

Educ. 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-page thought papers on specific readings.
2. Final examination -- essay format.

**TEXTS**

Ministry of Education. Primary Program Curriculum Guide.

Egan, Kieran. (1990). Primary Understanding. Routledge.