

PROGRAMS OF STUDY

ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE TRANSFER DEGREE IN EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

PROGRAM OUTCOMES

PROMOTING CHILD DEVELOPMENT AND LEARNING STUDENTS WILL BE ABLE TO:

- Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of children's characteristics and needs.
- Identify, analyze, and reflect upon multiple influences on child development and learning.
- Create safe, healthy, respectful, challenging, and culturally supportive environments for learning.

BUILDING FAMILY AND COMMUNITY RELATIONSHIPS STUDENTS WILL BE ABLE TO:

- Describe and reflect upon family and community characteristics within Native communities.
- Support and empower families and communities through respectful and reciprocal relationships.
- Involve Native families and communities in their children's development and learning.
- Assist families in reinforcing resilience and accessing resources.

OBSERVING, DOCUMENTING, AND ASSESSING STUDENTS WILL BE ABLE TO:

- Articulate the goals, benefits, uses, and culturally responsible uses of assessment.
- Use observation, documentation, and other appropriate assessment tools.
- Articulate uses of assessment in partnership with families and other professionals serving Indigenous communities.

TEACHING AND LEARNING STUDENTS WILL BE ABLE TO:

- Demonstrate their ability to connect with children.
- Use developmentally and culturally effective approaches.
- Demonstrate an understanding of content knowledge in early education.
- Build meaningful, culturally engaged curriculum.

INTEGRITY, ADVOCACY, WARMTH, JOY, AND ATTENTION TO CHILDREN (COMMONLY REFERRED TO AS "PROFESSIONALISM") STUDENTS WILL BE ABLE TO:

- Identify with and involve selves in the early childhood field, engaging in continuous, collaborative learning.
- Act with integrity, engaging in informed advocacy for children, families, early learning programs, and themselves as early childhood educators.
- Integrate knowledgeable, reflective, and critical perspectives on early education.
- Display warmth, joy, and attention with a commitment to relationship-based care and education.

