

# **Common Course Outline**

EDTR 273A Field-Based Experience: Early Childhood Education  
3 semester hours (6 hours per week)

## **The Community College of Baltimore County**

### **Overall Course Description:**

#### **Field-Based Experience: Early Childhood Education**

Provides students with a supervised field-based experience in an approved child care setting, where the student spends six hours per week during the semester. Students demonstrate their understanding of the coursework in the early childhood program by producing an application chapter as part of their portfolio. NOTE: Requires permission of Teacher Education Campus Coordinator before registering and minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5. Prerequisite: EDTR 121.

### **Overall Course Objectives:**

Upon completion of this course the student should be able to:

- Recognize the different levels of cognitive, physical, psychological and social development in young children
- Develop a lesson plan appropriate to the age of the population with which they are working
- Identify distinct roles played by staff, faculty and parents in an early childhood setting
- Lead a group activity
- Recognize and correct potentially harmful situations in an early childhood setting
- Identify and employ various strategies for successful reading support to the classroom teacher

### **Requirements:**

Six hours per week in an approved early childhood education setting. The Teacher Education Campus Coordinator will determine specific evaluation weights, but such evaluation will include attendance at observations, written reflections of observations, group or individual meetings with the instructor, performance evaluations by the cooperating teacher and course instructor, and the development of a portfolio.