

# Course Outline

EDUC 102 INFANT AND TODDLER DEVELOPMENT: BIRTH-THREE

3 s.h. (3 classroom hours per week)

The Community College of Baltimore County

## Course Description:

Infant and Toddler Development: Birth-Three

Studies a child's development from conception to age three; emphasizes the factors affecting human development and associated behavioral factors; investigates caregiver roles and the methods of adult/child interactions which contribute to the health, growth and development of the infant/toddler.

Prerequisite: (RDNG 052 or LVR 2). It is recommended that students complete a course in the fundamentals of child development such as EDUC 105 (Growth and Development in Early Childhood)

## Overall Course Objectives:

At the end of this course the student will be able to:

Relate the history of interest in infant/toddler development

Link this history to current programs and trend in infant care

Explain types of programs available for infants/toddlers

Describe developmental patterns in the following areas:

Social

Physical

Emotional

Cognitive

Language

Explain the interaction of feelings, experiences and behavior

Apply the principles of development to programming for infants

List criteria for the selection of materials for infant/toddler programs

Develop appropriate materials for use in infant/toddler programs

Identify developmental lags

Explain the impact of culture on development

### Major Topics:

Types of infant/toddler programs  
Developmental theories of infancy and toddlerhood  
Applications of developmental theories  
Curriculum format  
Physical and motor development  
Language development  
Cognitive development  
Socioemotional development  
Special needs of infants and toddlers  
Diversity in toddler and infant programs  
Issues of environment  
Ethical issues

### Requirements:

Individual faculty members will determine the specific evaluation procedures. Such evaluations may include exams; a written final project; participation/lab activities and observations of infants/toddlers

### Other Course Information

This course is designed for those who are responsible for the care of infants in either a professional setting or family.