Arts and Aesthetic Education in the Early Childhood

Class Level: graduate

Credit numbers: 3Course Number :

• Course Dates:

• Course Time:

• Classroom:

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Course Objectives

This course aims to provide conceptual and empirical research in arts education, (including music, visual arts, drama, dance, media, and poetry), in a variety of areas related to the early childhood education. The social, cultural, historical, and psychological contexts of arts education are identified to be central to learning, experience, knowledge. The course presents theories and methodological approaches used in arts education research as well as aesthetics education.

Syllabus:

| Week | Date | Contents | Homework |
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| 1 | | Syllabus and Introduction 1. Introduction of the course 2. Introduction to the instructor | |
| 2 | | Arts, aesthetics, and education | |
| 3 | | Aesthetics and visual culture in the early childhood settings | |
| 4 | | Journal paper reading and discussion | Submission and reports on selected journal paper related to the assigned topic |
| 5 | | Arts education for young children | |
| 6 | | Arts education for young children in early childhood settings | |
| 7 | | Journal paper reading and discussion | Submission and reports on selected journal paper related to the assigned topic |

| 8 | Tutorial Sessions | |
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| 9 | Midterm Report and Presentation | |
| 10 | Play, Arts and Aesthetic Experience | |
| 11 | Aesthetic experience and education for young children | |
| 12 | | Submission and reports on selected journal paper related to the assigned topic |
| 13 | Expressive arts and aesthetics in the early years | |
| 14 | Arts and aesthetics education for the children with special needs | |
| 15 | Tutorial Sessions | |
| 16 | Final Report and Presentation I | |
| 17 | Final Report and Presentation II | |
| 18 | Reflection and Discussion | Revised group report and individual reflection submission |

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Grading

1. Attendance and In-Class Discussion : 10%

2. Assignment : 30%

3. Midterm Report: 30%

4. Final group presentation and reflection: 30%