H8DEC_P: Placement: Design and Evaluation of Curriculum

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Long Title		Placement: Design and Evaluation of Curriculum APPROVED			
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Module Level:		LEVEL 8			
EQF Level:		6			
EHEA Level:		First Cycle			
Credits:		5			
Module Coordinator:					
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Departments:		NCI Learning & Teaching			
Specifications of the qualifications and experience required of staff					
Learning Outcomes					
On successful completion of this module the learner will be able to:					
#	Learning Outcome	Description			
LO1	Assess, plan and eva	d evaluate an early learning initiative for an individual learner and for groups of learners			
LO2	Assess, plan and eva	an and evaluate an early learning curriculum			
LO3	Implement a curricul	a curriculum for a group			
Dependencies					
Module Recommendations					
No recommendations listed					
Co-requisite Modules					
No Co-requisite modules listed					
Entry requirements					

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Module Content & Assessment							
Indicative Content							
Assess, plan and evaluate an early learning initiative Students will apply the principles of curriculum design to the planning, organisation and documentation of learning experiences and their appropriateness for the individual child and for groups of children with reference to cultural appropriateness and equality issues in practice.							
Assess and plan an early learning curriculum A curriculum for a prescribed period of time and in a particular context will be planned based on assessment of children's learning and interests and drawing from contemporary assessment theory and the outcomes of assessment. The curriculum may be Aistear, or HighScope, Early Start (or others relevant to the professional practice placement).							
Implement and critically evaluate curriculum The curriculum will be implemented, documented and critically evaluated to incorporate the practicalities of undertaking assessment for early learning and include opportunities for child initiatives and spontaneous learning; short-term, medium-term and long-term planning; contribution of setting as a whole to the facilitation of children's learning; the children's perspective's on curriculum, the contribution of feedback from staff. Students will critically reflect on their experiences of implementing the curriculum based on the criteria developed for the evaluation of curricula. They will assess their abilities to facilitate children's learning and document strategies for improvement.							
Assessment Breakdown	%						
Coursework			100.00%				
Assessments							
Full Time							
Coursework							
Assessment Type:	Project	% of total:	60				
Assessment Date:	n/a	Outcome addressed:	1,2,3				
Non-Marked:	No						
Assessment Description: This will be a joint assessment with the methods module where students will work in groups to design and document a curriculum for indiviual learners (and give feedback to parents) and groups of learners, and to evaluate the effectiveness of the design.							
Assessment Type:	Presentation	% of total:	40				
Assessment Date:	n/a	Outcome addressed:	1,2,3				
Non-Marked:	No						
Assessment Description: Students will present in peer teams to the class on the process and output (teaching, learning and assessment strategy) designed and implemented. Self-reflection and peer feedback will also be included towards the overall marks on this assignment.							
No End of Module Assessment							
No Workplace Assessment							
Reassessment Requirement							

Repeat the module The assessment of this module is inextricably linked to the delivery. The student must reattend the module in its entirety in order to be reassessed.

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Module Workload								
Module Target Workload Hours 0 Hours								
Workload: Part Time								
Workload Type	Workload Description	Hours	Frequency	Average Weekly Learner Workload				
Practical	per week	2	Once per semester	0.17				
Independent Learning	No Description	8.5	Once per semester	0.71				
Total Weekly Contact Hours								

Module Resources

Recommended Book Resources

Anning, A., Cullen, J. & Fleer, M. (Eds.),. (2009), Early childhood education: Society and Culture, 2. Sage Publications Ltd, London, [ISBN: ISBN:97818478].

Dunphy, E.. (2008), Development through Formative Assessment. Background Paper to the Framework for Early Learning, www.ncca.ie.

Epstein A. (2006), The intentional teacher: Choosing the best strategies for young children's learning., National Association for the Education of Young Children.

McLachan C. Fleer M. Edwards, S.. (2013), Early Childhood Curriculum - Planning Assessment and Implementation, 2nd. Cambridge University press.

Supplementary Book Resources

Wood, E.,. (2013), Play, learning and the early childhood curriculum., Sage, London.

(2012), Organisation for the Economic Cooperation and Development, Starting strong III., Organisation for the Economic Cooperation and Development, Paris.

Sylva, K., Melhuish, E., Sammons, P., Siraj, I & Taggart, B with Smees, R., Toth, K., Welcomme,. (2014), Students' educational and developmental outcomes at age 16., Department for Education,, London.

Discussion Note:						
This module does not have any other resources						
This module does not have any article/paper resources						