

CHFM 3790 - Directed Practice in PreK Education

Fall 2026 Syllabus, Section 01, CRN 40875,

Credit hours: 4

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Course Description

3790. Directed Practice in PreK Education. A culminating practicum for the PreK associate degree candidates designed to provide teaching experiences with children in the early childhood years. Students will apply developmental theories and appropriate practices in settings for young children. 300 hours of field work. Prereq.: CHFM 1514, CHFM 3733L. Coreq.: CHFM 3790S. 4 s.h.

Course Readings

Group	Title	Author	ISBN
	no readings		

The course readings are subject to change in the event of extenuating circumstances, research developments, current events, and/or to ensure better learning.

Schedule of Topics and Assignments

Week of	Reading(s)	Proposed Topic	Due/To Prepare for Class
8/24	None (completed in seminar)	Course Introduction	None: see seminar
8/31	None (completed in seminar)	Professionalism	None: see seminar
9/7	None (completed in seminar)	Approaches Toward Learning	None: see seminar
9/14	None (completed in seminar)	Cognitive Development	None: see seminar
9/21	None (completed in seminar)	Language and Literacy Development	Lessons #1-3 are due on 9/28
9/28	None (completed in seminar)	Social and Emotional Development	None: see seminar
10/5	None (completed in seminar)	Physical Development	None: see seminar
10/12	None (completed in seminar)	Creative Development	Lessons 4-6 are due on 10/19
10/19	None (completed in seminar)	Mathematics	Midterm is due on 10/25
10/26	None (completed in seminar)	Science	Lessons 7-9 are due on 11/9
11/2	None	Taking over Circle Time and Free Play	None: see seminar
11/9	None (completed in seminar)	Taking over Transitions and other Routines	None: see seminar
11/16	None (completed in seminar)	Full Days	Full Day Plans 1 and 2 are due on 11/22
11/23	None (completed in seminar)	Full Days	None: see seminar
11/30	None (completed in seminar)	Full Days	None: see seminar
12/7	None (completed in seminar)	Full Days and Course Exit	Lessons 3-6 are due on 12/10 Final is due on 12/11

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