**BIRTH TO KINDERGARTEN COURSE SYLLABUS TEMPLATE (3.25.15)**

1. **State Course Number**
2. **Course Title**
3. **Course Description**
4. **Prerequisites**
5. **Credit Hours**
6. **Standards and Competencies**

**6.1 Standards**

**6.2 Knowledge and Competencies**

1. **Course Objectives**

**7.1**

**7.2**

1. **Course Outcomes, Evidence, and Criteria for Mastery**
   1. **Outcome, Evidence, and Criteria for Mastery #1**

**Outcome #1:**

**Types of Artifacts:**

**Criteria for Mastery:**

* 1. **Outcome, Evidence, and Criteria for Mastery #2**

**Outcome #2:**

**Types of Artifacts:**

**Criteria for Mastery:**

1. **Description of Clinical Experiences**
2. **Textbooks, Materials, & Resources for Students**
3. **Knowledge Base for Faculty**

**11.1 Empirical Knowledge Base:**

**11.2 Other Knowledge Base:**

1. **Qualifications of Faculty Teaching the Course**

Faculty will possess a minimum of a Master’s degree with 18 credit hours in the discipline in which they are teaching and a minimum of three years of experience working with children from birth to kindergarten.

*Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACS) Standard*

*3.7.1:* This institution employs competent faculty qualified to accomplish the mission and goals of the institution. When determining acceptable qualifications of its faculty, the institution will give primary consideration to the highest earned degree in the discipline. The institution will also consider competence, effectiveness, and capacity, including, as appropriate, undergraduate and graduate degrees, related work experiences in the field, professional licensure and certifications, honors and awards, continuous documented excellence in teaching, or other demonstrated competencies and achievements that contribute to effective teaching and student learning outcomes. For all cases, the institution is responsible for justifying and documenting the qualifications of the faculty.

1. **Core Course Content, Readings, Assignments, and Clinical Experiences**

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| **Topics** | **Required Readings** | **Required Artifacts** | **Clinical Experiences** |
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1. **Grading System**

The following grading system will be used to assign grades in the course:

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| A | = | 93 to 100 |
| B | = | 85 to 92 |
| C | = | 77 to 84 |
| D | = | 70 to 76 |
| F | = | Below 70 |

1. **Background Check**

*Note: The Louisiana Department of Education will provide recommendations for this section.*

1. **College/University and Procedures and Classroom Policies (e.g., Accommodations for Students with Disabilities, Academic Integrity, Availability of Academic Support, Tobacco-Free Policy, Attendance, etc.)**

*Note: This section will be completed by individual colleges and universities.*