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**Syllabus:** ECE 229 CHILD DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATE (CDA) DIRECT ASSESSMENT

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<td><strong>Semester:</strong> Spring 2017</td>
<td><strong>Course Title:</strong> Child Development Associate (CDA) Direct Assessment</td>
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<td><strong>Class Days/Times:</strong> Tuesdays as per Schedule</td>
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**Instructor Information:**

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**Course Description:**

This course prepares students for earning their National CDA Credential from the Council for Professional Recognition. Using the CDA Competency Standards book for their preferred Credential (Infant/Toddler, Preschool, Home Base or Family Child Care) as their text, students follow the well-defined guidelines provided to ensure readiness for submitting their CDA Direct Assessment request to the Council.

**Course Objectives:**

During this course students will:

- Create a Professional Portfolio
- Educate families about the criteria included in a Family Questionnaire
- Prepare for passing a national test in the field of early childhood education
- Prepare for an observation by a CDA Professional Development Specialist
- Write a Professional Philosophy
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Other Materials: Relevant articles, research links will be provided throughout the course.

Grading, Assignments and Expectations:

Grading policy:

A = Attend all classes; submit all required homework assignments on time. Other trainings or events pre-approved by your instructor that you attend, in addition to the official class times, can count for extra credit toward your grade. You will need to provide a copy of your certificates verifying your attendance.

B = Miss up to 3 classes with excused absences; submit all homework assignments on time. Extra credit makeup assignments can be submitted based on discussion and approval by the instructor. Other trainings or events pre-approved by your instructor that you attend, in addition to the official class times, can count for extra credit toward your grade. You will need to provide a copy of your certificates verifying your attendance.

C = Miss up to 4 classes with excused absences; submit all homework assignments and pre-approved extra credit makeup assignments.

D = Miss more than 4 classes; submit less than 100% of homework assignments.

F = Miss more than 4 classes; submit no homework assignments.

Expectations: 100% attendance, participation in all forum assignments and submission of all homework assignments. Your initial grade is an A.

Required: You MUST call or text me at 520-623-6037, or email me at patty.desert@yahoo.com if you will be missing a class for it to count as an excused absence.

I check my phone and email frequently, so please do not hesitate to contact me with questions or information that you may need to clarify or complete assignments.