

Course Expectations Letter

Subject: CD 226

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Catalog Course Description:

CD 226 Introduction to Special Education

Advisory: ENGL 030 or ENLA 034 or appropriate assessment; READ 023 or appropriate assessment

Transfers to: CSU This course introduces students to the field of special education. Instruction will focus on understanding basic strategies for working with children, birth to early adolescence, that are at-risk or have a diagnosed disability. Issues related to family dynamics and education resources and strategies will also be discussed. Public policy requires that children with special needs are learning in environments with their same-age peers. This course will prepare students who wish to work in children's programs or educational environments to facilitate the learning and development of children with special needs. Applies toward the State of California Teacher Credentialing requirements for the Child Development Permit. 3 Units 54 Lecture hours

Student Learning Outcomes:

- The student will describe the characteristics of various disabilities
- The student will outline the cognitive theories of development of Piaget and Vygotsky
- The student will recognize the characteristics of atypical development in children.
- The student will apply developmentally appropriate intervention and instructional strategies specific for individual learners
- The student will demonstrate the basic concepts of protection under Individuals with Disabilities Education Act and Americans with Disabilities Act

By logging into Canvas you affirm that you are the student who enrolled in the course(s) and are the person who will complete the assigned work. Furthermore, you agree to follow the regulations regarding academic integrity, personal identification and the use of student information as described in [BP 5500 \(Standards of Conduct\)](#) and [AP 5520 \(Student Conduct Procedures\)](#) which are the Rio Hondo College student conduct codes that govern student rights and responsibilities. You acknowledge that failure to abide by the regulations set forth in BP 5500 and AP 5520 may result in disciplinary action, including expulsion from the college.

This is **NOT** a self-paced course. There are firm deadlines in this class. There are assignments due on a regular basis. Please plan your time carefully!

Textbook: Please consult the Bookstore for information at (562) 463-7345 or go to [Rio Hondo College Online Bookstore](#)

Over the course of the semester there will be regular instructor student contact. Methods of regular instructor student contact include:

The instructor may drop you for non-participation.

There will be a one to three business day delay after an add code is used before a student may be able to log on to Canvas.

For students new to online classes, it is highly recommended that you take the Online Orientation through our Online Education website. This will help explain what online classes are like and familiarize you with how the class is laid out. The orientation can be found at: <http://www.riohondo.edu/canvas-orientation/>

Email Responses: Instructors will make every attempt to respond to students in a timely fashion. Responses can take up to 48 hours before a response is received, excluding weekends and holidays.

Disability: A Student with a verified disability may be entitled to appropriate academic accommodations. Please contact your instructor and/or the [Disabled Students & Programs](#) office at 562-908-3420 for more information.

Modifications and Disclaimer: The instructor reserves the right to modify the content of the course or any course procedure. It is the responsibility of the student to keep apprised of all changes. If the student wishes to drop the class he/she is responsible for initiating the drop. Do not take it for granted that you will be dropped. If you stop working and do not drop the course, you may get an undesirable grade.