

Early Childhood Education

Wisconsin Indianhead Technical College 10-307-1 Associate Degree

2019 Program Review

ACADEMIC PROGRAM REVIEW PROFILE

Program Number & Name: 10-307-1 Early Childhood Education				
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Self-Study Areas:	
Required Elements: Analysis of trends from	
Program Effectiveness Data Profile, Analysis of	
results of previous program improvement plans,	
Progress/results of TSA (including program &	
employability essentials)	

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of the following other areas to study	_	Accreditation/National of State Standards, Regulations,		
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Capacity (new students admitted	d/year):		108 (24RL, 24NR, 24S, 24ECh, 12 ECon)	
Number of Faculty:	FT: 4		PT: ✓ 4	
Statewide Curriculum:	Yes:		No:□	
Program Accredited by:		N/A		
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			tion of Young Children, St Croix Valley Childhood Council	
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Note: The accreditation, licensing, and membership information listed above will be listed in the annual <u>WITC Fact Book</u>.

Program and Category			
Program: Early Childhood Education			
Category: Analysis of Trends from Program Data Profile			
Resources Contact(s) for	or this Category:		
Streng	gths	Oppor	tunities
Online FTE is increasing		For Associate Degree students, the courses with the lowest completion percentages are Family & Community Relationships and Child Development	
Online students add to to	otal FTE	Total FTE declined in	2016-2017
High job placement (100		In-person FTE decline	
High course completion (80% range)	technical courses	Retention rate from set two is 86%	emester one to semester
High graduate satisfaction	on		
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What items in this category MUST be addressed on our improvement plan?	For Associate Degree students, the courses with the lowest completion percentages are Family & Community Relationships and Child Development.		
What items in this category MIGHT be addressed on the improvement plan?	Improve retention from first to second semester.		
Team Rating Please indicate by an (X) the team rating of your program on this category.			
All areas need improvement	Some areas meet expectations, but most areas need improvement	All areas meet expectations —few areas need improvement	Exemplary—all areas exceed expectations—use as a model for other programs
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Additional Comments: (optional)		

SELF-STUDY CATEGORY RESULTS

Program and Category			
Program: Early Childhood Education			
Category: Analysis of results of previous program improvement plans (Previous program plans attached below in Document Management)			
Resources Contact(s) for	or this Category:		
Stren	gths	Oppor	tunities
Improved collaboration	with General Studies	Work with Dave Stanley on new science course option for ECE students.	
Diversified advisory committees; continuing to update committee membership (four-year college/university membership on all campuses, Student Services, dual credit partners in high schools, General Studies all have representation).		Implement digital por assessment.	tfolio for summative
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What items in this category MUST be addressed on our improvement plan?	Implement digital portfolio for summative assessment.		
What items in this category MIGHT be addressed on the improvement plan?	Work with Dave Stanley on new science course option for ECE students.		
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Program and Category	
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Category: Progress/results of TSA (includes program outcomes and Employability	
Essentials)	

Resources Contact(s) for this Category:			
Strengths		Oppor	tunities
TSA is spiraled/scaffolded into Practicum classes (introduced in Practicum 1, completed for technical diploma students in Practicum 2, rough draft version in Practicum 3, final TSA in Practicum 4).		TSA is currently done will need to put into a	
Students focus not only but how they apply it in children.	-		
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ECE's scaffolded/spiraled approach to integrating TSA into Practicum courses could be a model for other programs.			

Program and Category	
Program: Early Childhood Education	
Category:Curriculum	
Resources Contact(s) for this Category:	

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Statewide curriculum		New curriculum starting fall 2019; ensure that courses and content align and create crosswalk for continuing students.	
New curriculum starting fall 2019 was created with input from stakeholders, aligned with needs of employers and graduates		Communicate content	
New pathway certificate		Embedded certificate capstone is the second student teaching practicum; communicate the expectations of the capstone with students and cooperating sites through a handbook.	
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What items in this category MUST be addressed on our improvement plan?	Embedded certificate capstone is the second student teaching practicum; communicate the expectations of the capstone with students and cooperating sites through a handbook.		
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improvement plan?	New curriculum starting fall 2019; ensure that courses and content align and create crosswalk for continuing students.		
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Program and Category		
Program: Early Childhood Education		
Category: Online/Technology		
Resources Contact(s) for this Category:		
Strengths	Opportunities	
Consistency with online Blackboard classes	Give all instructors opportunities for further training in online instruction, synchronous instruction, etc. (e.g., Quality Matters).	

Innovation with technology-assisted synchronous instruction		Explore opportunities for improving BlueJeans platform for synchronous instruction (Adobe Connect offered more robust functionality).	
Willing to learn about and explore new technologies		Work collaboratively and cross-functionally to ensure that online students have equal access to relevant student services, support and resources.	
Strongly collaborative valuerning teams (open labetc.)			
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What items in this category MUST be addressed on our improvement plan?	Give all instructors opportunities for further training in online instruction, synchronous instruction, etc. (e.g., Quality Matters).		
What items in this category MIGHT be addressed on the improvement plan?	Explore opportunities for improving BlueJeans platform for synchronous instruction (Adobe Connect offered more robust functionality). Work collaboratively and cross-functionally to ensure that online		
	students have equal access to relevant student services, support and resources.		
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While there is always room for improvement, ECE is an exemplar of innovation in the field of technology-assisted instruction.			

ACADEMIC PROGRAM IMPROVEMENT PLAN

PROGRAM:	Early Childhood Education
Defined Outcome	Increase pass rates for 10-307-179 ECE: Child Development course from 68.8% (2018) to 75% by Fall 2020, within the associate degree program.
Metric (How will you measure whether or not the outcome has been attained successfully?) Program data showing pass rates for ECE: Family and Community Relationships and ECE: Child Development.	

Action Plan/Action Items & Person(s) Responsible: Example: 1) Action Item #1 (Damian VonFrank, Ted May)	Timeline & Resources: Example: 1) Fall 2018 – Need IT time to implement	
Adopt new textbook for Child Development to make	` 1	
level more manageable (Amy Pennington)	textbook options to review)	
Restructure Child Development online course to bette with best practices in online instruction (content video interactive lesson plans, etc.) (Amy Pennington)	` ` ` ` ` ` ` ` ` ` ` ` ` ` ` ` ` ` `	
Implement dedicated online office hours for Child Development (Amy Pennington)	Fall 2019 (training in Blackboard Collaborate)	
Communicating consistently regarding students who struggling (early alerts, within ECE team, and with ac (Amy Pennington)	` ` '	
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Defined Outcome	Migrate TSA from Blackboard to a digital portfolio by Spring 2021.	
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	ems & Person(s) Responsible: I (Damian VonFrank, Ted May)	Timeline & Resources: Example: 1) Fall 2018 – Need IT time to implement
Communicate portfolio Pennington).	o plan to other ECE instructors (Amy	May 2019
Determine artifacts fro	om each course to be included in the TSA agton, Nora Ziburski, Jamie Lynch,	May 2019
Work with the ETC to	develop Weebly training video for s (Adam Nelson, Nora Ziburski).	Fall 2019
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PROGRAM:	Early Childhood Education		
Defined Outcome	Communicate the expectations of the Preschool Practicum capstone portfolio with students and cooperating sites through handbook updates and redistribution by Spring 2021.		
<i>Metric</i> (How will you measure whether or not the outcome has been attained successfully?) Survey: students and cooperating sites understand the expectations.			
Action Plan/Action Items & Person(s) Responsible: Example: 1) Action Item #1 (Damian VonFrank, Ted May)		Timeline & Resources: Example: 1) Fall 2018 – Need IT time to implement	
Develop new practicus	m handbook (Nora Ziburski)	Fall 2019	
Develop a survey of cooperating sites (Amy Pennington)		Spring 2020 (SurveyMonkey or other survey tool)	
Communicate expectations to students and cooperating sites at the start of the Preschool Practicum (Nora Ziburski, Amy Pennington, Tracy Jacobson, Jamie Lynch).		January 2020	
Survey students and cooperating sites after the Preschool Practicum (Nora Ziburski, Amy Pennington, Tracy Jacobson, Jamie Lynch).		April/May 2020 (SurveyMonkey or other survey tool)	
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Defined Outcome	Improve the quality of online course/program delivery via training, ECE team/cross-functional collaboration, and diversified use of available instructional delivery platforms.	
<i>Metric</i> (How will you measure whether or not the outcome has been attained successfully?) <i>Survey students regarding their experiences with technology and course delivery.</i>		
Course/program evaluations and completion rates		
	tems & Person(s) Responsible: #1 (Damian VonFrank, Ted May)	Timeline & Resources: Example: 1) Fall 2018 – Need IT time to implement
Provide training opportunities for ECE instructors in online instruction (synchronous instruction, etc.) (Amy Pennington, Tracy Jacobson, Jamie Lynch, Nora Ziburski).		Spring 2021 (professional development funding)
Explore opportunities for improving BlueJeans for synchronous instruction (seeking similar functionality to Adobe Connect) (Family and Consumer Services divisional team)		Fall 2019

Work collaboratively and cross-functionally to ensure that online students have equal access to relevant student services,		Fall 2019	
support, and resources (ECE, Distance Learning, and Student Services teams).			
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