Minnesota State University Moorhead

SLHS 204: Language Development

A. COURSE DESCRIPTION

Credits: 3

Lecture Hours/Week: 4

Lab Hours/Week: 0

OJT Hours/Week: *.*

Prerequisites: None

Corequisites: None

MnTC Goals: None

Nature and normal development of cognitive, linguistic and social systems of language in children.

B. COURSE EFFECTIVE DATES: 06/01/1995 - Present

C. OUTLINE OF MAJOR CONTENT AREAS

- 1. The science and theory of language development.
- 2. The building blocks of language.
- 3. Neuroanatomy and neurophysiology of language.
- 4. Language Development during infancy and the toddler years.
- 5. Language development during the preschool and early school age years.
- 6. Language development in diverse populations.
- 7. Emergent literacy experiences: birth to early school age.

D. LEARNING OUTCOMES (General)

- 1. Students will describe and discuss the terms communication, language, and speech (ASHA Standard III-A).
- 2. Students will describe and discuss the areas of language form, content, and use (ASHA Standard III-A).
- 3. Students will compare and contrast the major language theories (ASHA Standard III-A).
- 4. Students will describe and discuss the cognitive and social bases of language and language development (ASHA Standard III-A).
- 5. Students will describe and discuss the development of language from its preverbal origins through school-age (ASHA Standard III-A).
- 6. Students will describe and discuss cultural influences and diversities in language acquisition, as well as multilingual language learning strategies (ASHA Standard III-A).

E. Minnesota Transfer Curriculum Goal Area(s) and Competencies

None

F. LEARNER OUTCOMES ASSESSMENT

As noted on course syllabus

G. SPECIAL INFORMATION

None noted

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