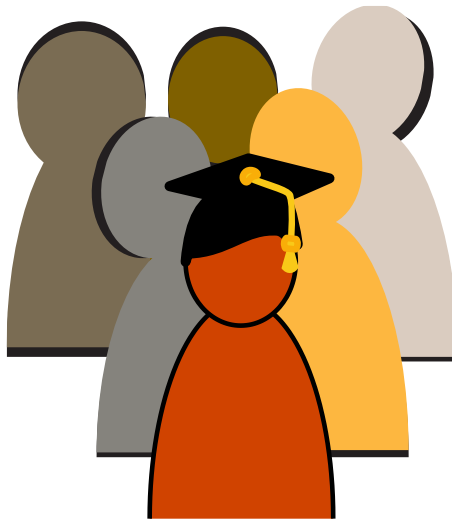# PROGRAMME ADVISING

Post Graduate Diploma
Early Childhood Education

ACADEMIC YEAR
2021/2022

Online Programmes Delivery Department (OPDD)

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION TO GUIDE COURSE SELECTION & REGISTRATION

Kindly review this document at the start of each semester for any adjustments to the schedule.

New Students

Kindly follow the prescribed course of study and sequence given for your programme as indicated in this document.

Continuing Students

Please continue to follow the prescribed course of study given previously.

Advice For Managing Course Load

As per the Regulations, students who are working for more than 12 hours per week are considered to be part-time students and should usually take no more than two (2) courses and their co-requisite laboratory per semester and one (1) course and co-requisite laboratory in the summer. The schedule of courses for part-time students is outlined in this guide.

IMPORTANT NOTE for New Students

Orientation is the first step to achieving academic and personal success at the UWI Open Campus. It supports you by assisting with your transition to the online environment. It will equip you with the needed navigational skills to function successfully online and provide pertinent information about the available services, go to persons and responsibilities as an online student. It is imperative that you attend the online sessions offered by the Online Programmes Delivery Department (OPDD) as well as the session offered at your local site office.

The **Post graduate Diploma in Early Childhood Education Programme** seeks to develop individuals who have completed an undergraduate degree in ECE, or a related field and wish to improve their skills in teaching young children or are preparing to take on leadership roles in the field of ECE. The programme is delivered online using the Open Campus "Learning Exchange" environment (Moodle/Learning Management System).

The **Post graduate Diploma in Early Childhood Education Programme** is a 22-credit graduate programme. The duration of the programme is minimum 12 months. To qualify for the award of the **Diploma in Early Childhood Education** degree, students must attain credits and satisfy components as follows:

Component	Core	Concentration	Advanced Topics	Research Methods	Research Course Rooms	Total Credits
Credits	22	0	0	0	0	22

Diploma in Early Childhood Education Programme operates under a semester system.

- Semester 1 and 2 each, have thirteen (13) weeks of instruction plus an examination period.
- Summer session has seven (7) weeks of instruction plus the examination period.

Remember to check the programme-advising document before the start of registration and during the semester for any updates or additional information.

Mandatory Course

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Students are required to complete the **Graduate Introduction to Online Learning** course **(OOL6001)**.

Technology Requirement: Students will need to have access to a computer with Internet access.

Diploma Early Childhood Education Programme Schedule

COURSE CODE	COURSE NAME	SEMESTER	CO-REQUISITE / COMMENTS
YEAR 1 (2021/22)			
OOL6001	Graduate Introduction to Online Learning	2	Should usually be completed before commencing the programme. No co-requisite
EDEC 5000	Fundamentals of Early Childhood Education	2	No co-requisite
EDEC 5001	Curriculum Design in Early Childhood Education	2	No co-requisite
EDEC 5002	Language and Literacy Development	Summer	No co-requisite
EDEC6406	Current Developments in Early Childhood Education	Summer	No co-requisite
YEAR (2022/23)			
EDEC 5003	Diverse Needs & Inclusive Education	1	No co-requisite
EDEC 5004	Educational Management and Sustainable Practices	1	No co-requisite