

# Global Learning Semesters

## Course Syllabus

Course: EDUC-134 Development Psychology

Department: Education

Host Institution: University of Nicosia, Nicosia, Cyprus



Course Summary		
Course Code	Course Title	Recommended Credit Hours
EDUC-134	Development Psychology	3
Semester Offered	Contact Hours	Prerequisites
Spring	42	EDUC-131 General Psychology
Department	Level of Course	Language of Instruction
Education	Lower Division	Greek

### Course Description

The psychological development - its meaning, conditions and stages. The baby stage (0-1 year): reflexes and mental development. First child period (1-3 years): motor development, linguistic, mental, emotional. Second child period (3-6 years): motor, linguistic, emotional and social development. Third child period (6-12 years): gradual departure from egocentrism; school life problems; social, mental and emotional development; biological and mental maturation; development of basic moral and religious values. Main characteristics of adolescent life.

### Instructor

Ms Chrystalla Kalogirou

### Course Aims and Objectives

The course aims to present to the students the development of human ability, especially during infancy and childhood and help them to gain the ability to correlate characteristics of every age group to real life situations and the practical application of theoretical knowledge in dealing effectively with childhood problems.

### Teaching Methods

The course is delivered through a mixture of lectures and practical exercises and assignments.

### Course Teaching Hours

42 hours. The course is delivered during the Spring semester in 14-weeks (3 hours/week)

### Evaluation and Grading

Homework:	20%
Mid-Term:	30%
Final Exam:	40%
Participation:	10%

## Readings and Resources

### Required Textbook

Kamil, C & Dervries, R. Piaget's theory. Athens: Diptyxo.

### Recommended Reading

Oaklander, V. (1988) *Windows to Our Children, U.S.A.:* The Gestalt Journal Press.

Jennings, S. (1999) *Introduction to Developmental Play therapy*, London & Philadelphia, Jessica Kingsley Publishers.

Goldschmied, E. & Jackson, S. (1994) *People under three*, London: Routledge