

College Child Development

- **Introduction-** Course overview
 - Four Topical Areas of Child Development
 - *The Five Periods of Childhood* booklet assignment. using the internet, periodicals and other library sources.
 - The ecological approach to Child Development
- **Theorists**
 - Sigmund Freud
 - Erik Erikson
 - Jean Piaget
 - Abraham Maslow
- **Articles**
 - *Nature vs. Nurture*
 - *Do You Hear What I Hear?*
 - *A Mother's Depression*
 - Erikson Article: *Eight Stages of Man*
- **Pregnancy and Labor**
 - Birth
 - Lamaze
 - Leboyer
- **Physical Development in Infancy**
 - height and weight increases
 - cephalocaudal principle
 - proximodistal principle
 - hierarchical integration
 - plasticity
 - Reflexes
 - Signs of a well nourished baby
 - visual cliffs
 - visual perception
 - auditory discrimination
 - sensitivity to pain
- **Cognitive Development in Infancy**
 - Piaget's sensorimotor stage
 - memory
 - habituation
 - visual recognition memory
 - promoting cognitive development
- **Language development**
 - pre-linguistic speech
 - linguistic speech
 - holophrases
 - telegraphic speech
 - overextension
 - underextension
 - Motherese (infant directed speech.)
- **Social and Personality Development in Infancy**
 - Emotions
 - stranger anxiety
 - separation anxiety
 - social referencing

- self awareness
- ***Physical Development in the Preschool Years***
 - Physical growth
 - brain development
 - sensory Development
 - nightmares
 - night terrors
 - gross/fine motor skills
- ***Cognitive Development in the Preschool Years***
 - Piaget-Preoperational thought
 - Varieties of early childhood education, television and its effects
- Research paper
- ***Social and Personality Development in Early Childhood***
 - Erikson: Initiative vs.Guilt
 - Stages of Play
 - parenting styles
 - moral development
- ***Physical Development in Early Childhood***
 - Nutrition
 - childhood obesity
 - psychological disorders
 - Children with special needs,
 - learning disabilities
 - ADHD
- ***Cognitive Development in Middle Childhood***
 - Piaget
 - Concrete Operational Thought
 - decentering
 - bilingualism
 - convergent thinking vs. divergent thinking
- ***Social and Emotional Development in Middle Childhood***
 - Social comparisons
 - Popularity
 - Erikson
 - Industry vs. Inferiority
 - self esteem
 - cultural bias
- ***Child Preschool/Daycare Interactions (anticipated)***