**Infants and Toddlers Development Portfolio**

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**Purpose:**

* To provide a record of your experience of observation of infants and toddlers.
* To provide a record a record a your knowledge of infants and toddlers.
* To know the knowledge and experience you have gained.

**Part One: Development Record (60 pts)**

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| **Criteria** | **Prenatal** | **Infants** | **Toddlers** |
| **Physical** | 5 pts. | 5 pts. | 5 pts. |
| **Social** | 5 pts. | 5 pts. | 5 pts. |
| **Emotional** | 5 pts. | 5 pts. | 5 pts. |
| **Cognitive** | 5 pts. | 5 pts. | 5 pts. |

**Part Two: Practicum Experience (20 pts.)**

Directions: Spend at least 15 hours interacting and caring for infants and toddlers. Include at least \_\_\_\_\_ entries of observations sheets from your field site. Type a summary in detail about how this experience was meaningful to you. Explain your feelings and reactions about the children, field site, child care and interactions.

**Part Three: Licensing Guide (10 pts.)**

Directions: Type a summary of the licensing guide booklet and think sheets from the Department of Health and Human Resources. Please include the ratios.

**Part Four: Infants and Toddlers Room Design (10 pts.)**

Using graph paper or a website from the internet to design a separate an infant room and a separate toddler room using the guidelines described in the licensing guide. Your experience at your field placement. This should include all the areas of development, such as cribs, changing tables, activity centers, quiet area and group work. Be creative. Quality of your work will increase points. Type a paper of why it is designed in this manner.

**Part Five: Career Opportunities (10 pts.)**

What careers do you think about when you think about early childhood? Maybe a teacher, a doctor or a babysitter; but there are a lot of other jobs that go along with working with children (Early Childhood Educator, Nanny, Psychiatrist, Psychologist, Social Worker, Adoption Counselor, Genetic Counselor, Midwife, Pediatrician, Sociologist, Nurse, Obstetrician/Gynecologist, Lactation Consultant, Doula, Speech Language Pathologist, and Foster Care Worker).

You will be researching a career having to do with early childhood. After researching your career, you will be creating a ½ page summary. You will have 1 half block to research your career and put together the paper.

Topics to include in your paper:

* What is the career and what do you they?
* What type of personality is the best fit for this career?
* List the type of education needed for this career?
* How much money does the average person in this career make?
* What could someone in high school be doing to help prepare themselves if they are wanting to do into this career?
* At least 3 extra pieces of information that you found to be interesting or important about this career.

**Part Six: Car Seat Safety, SID, Shaken Baby Syndrome, Parenting Styles,Child Abuse, Breast versus Bottle Feeding (30 pts.)**

Directions: Using the resource materials either given in class or found on the internet. Type a short summary of how each important for parents and caregivers to know. Include requirements, precautions, limitations and expectations. Please include the references you use.

Part Six:

**Part Seven: Developmental Opportunities (60 pts.)**

Directions: Explain an activity for infants and toddlers in each of the following areas. Show how each activity will help development this skill. Use a concept these to connect the learning experience for the activity for physical, social and cognitive development in each category.

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|  | **Infants** | **Toddlers** | **Pts.** |
| **Art**  Visual/Spatial |  |  |  |
| **Nature** |  |  |  |
| **Reading**  Verbal/Linguistic |  |  |  |
| **Manipulative**  Fine Motor Skills |  |  |  |
| **Construction** |  |  |  |
| **Music**  Musical |  |  |  |
| **Dramatic Play**  Interpersonal |  |  |  |
| **Gross Motor Skills** |  |  |  |
| **Math**  Logical/Mathematical |  |  |  |