



## TENTATIVE—SUBJECT TO CHANGE

### ECCE 2201 Exceptionalities ONLINE COURSE SYLLABUS Fall Semester 2020

#### COURSE INFORMATION SUMMER

Credit Hours/Minutes: 3/2250

Class Location: Georgia Virtual Technical Connection (GVTC)/Blackboard

Class Meets: Via Internet for 15 weeks

Couse Reference Number (CRN): 20114

Preferred Method of Contact: College Email

#### INSTRUCTOR CONTACT INFORMATION

Instructor Name: Mindy Sumner

Email Address: [Mindy Sumner \(msumner@southeasterntech.edu\)](mailto:msumner@southeasterntech.edu)

Campus/Office Location: Vidalia Main Building, Room 316

Office Hours: Monday-Wednesday 1:30 P.M.-3:30 P.M. and Thursday 8:00 A.M.-12:00 P.M.

**"Due to the uncertainties of COVID-19, contact your instructor by phone or email to make an appointment."**

Phone: 912-538-3256

#### SOUTHEASTERN TECHNICAL COLLEGE'S (STC) CATALOG AND HANDBOOK

Students are responsible for all policies and procedures and all other information included in Southeastern Technical College's [Catalog and Handbook](http://www.southeasterntech.edu/student-affairs/catalog-handbook.php) (<http://www.southeasterntech.edu/student-affairs/catalog-handbook.php>).

#### REQUIRED TEXT

NONE

#### REQUIRED SUPPLIES AND SOFTWARE

Students will be conducting learning activities, therefore they will need supplies such as paper, glue, markers, etc. The type and cost of supplies varies per semester and per activity. Secured site to complete 90 hours.

Reliable access to internet, Microsoft Excel, and Microsoft Word. Internet browser should be Internet Explorer (IE) 7 or higher or Mozilla Firefox 2.0 or higher. If you do not have computer access, see your instructor for information regarding use of open labs on both Swainsboro and Vidalia campuses.

Note: Although students can use their smart phones and tablets to access their online course(s), exams, discussions, assignments, and other graded activities should be performed on a personal computer. Neither Blackboard nor Georgia Virtual Technical Connection (GVTC) provide technical support for issues relating to the use of a smart phone or tablet so students are advised to not rely on these devices to take an online

course.

## **COURSE DESCRIPTION**

Provides for the development of knowledge and skills that will enable the student to understand individuals with special needs and appropriately guide their development. Special emphasis is placed on acquainting the student with programs and community resources that serve families with children with special needs. Topics include inclusion/least restrictive environment (LRE), physical and motor impairments, gifted/talented, intellectual and cognitive disabilities, emotional and behavioral disorders, communication disorders in speech and language, autism spectrum disorders, visual impairments, deaf and hard of hearing, health impairments, multiple disabilities, and community resources.

## **MAJOR COURSE COMPETENCIES**

1. Inclusion/Least Restrictive Environment (LRE)
2. Physical and Motor Impairments
3. Gifted and Talented
4. Intellectual and Cognitive Disabilities
5. Emotional and Behavioral Disorders
6. Communication Disorders in Speech and Language
7. Autism Spectrum Disorders
8. Visual Impairments
9. Deaf and Hard of Hearing
10. Health Impairments
11. Multiple Disabilities
12. Community Resources

## **PREREQUISITE(S)**

Provisional Admission

## **COURSE OUTLINE**

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## **GENERAL EDUCATION CORE COMPETENCIES**

STC has identified the following general education core competencies that graduates will attain:

1. The ability to utilize standard written English.
2. The ability to solve practical mathematical problems.
3. The ability to read, analyze, and interpret information.

## STUDENT REQUIREMENTS

To pass the class, students must complete all assignments on the syllabus and complete the required proctored event. Students will have at least one week to complete tests and assignments. **All tests and assignments are due at 11:59 P.M. on Monday of each week.** Assignments must be keyed in Microsoft Word, saved, uploaded, and attached for grading in Blackboard.

Students are expected to prove weekly academic engagement by meeting assignment deadlines each week during the semester doing the required homework, discussion boards, tests and assignments. Students are expected to communicate frequently through college email and discussion boards.

The student is expected to complete all work on the attached lesson plan. Online students are responsible for checking emails and Blackboard announcements DAILY. Homework assignments MUST be completed by the date specified; assignments may be submitted early. Discussion boards MUST be completed by the date specified; assignments may be submitted early. Tests MUST be completed by the date specified. Tests are posted and students who miss a test will be assigned a grade of zero. Please do not wait until the last moment to submit in case you have internet problems with your computer. If internet or browser failure occurs, contact the instructor immediately by email.

### **Within the first three days of class ALL online students must:**

- Complete Online Orientation Quiz in Blackboard.
- Complete the Pledge Acknowledgment in Blackboard.
- Complete COVID 19 Presentation and Acknowledgment

## COVID-19 MASK REQUIREMENT

Masks or face coverings must be worn at all times while on the campus of Southeastern Technical College. This measure is being implemented to reduce COVID-19 related health risks for everyone engaged in the educational process. Masks or face coverings must be worn over the nose and mouth, in accordance with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). A student's refusal to wear a mask or face covering will be considered a classroom disruption and the student may be asked to leave campus and/or receive further discipline.

## COVID-19 SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS

We encourage individuals to monitor for the signs and symptoms of COVID-19 prior to coming on campus.

If you have experienced the symptoms listed below or have a body temperature 100.4°F or higher, we encourage you to self-quarantine at home and contact a primary care physician's office, local urgent care facility, or health department for further direction. Please notify your instructor(s) by email and do not come on campus for any reason.

<b>COVID-19 Key Symptoms</b>
Fever or felt feverish
Cough; new or worsening, not attributed to another health condition
Shortness of breath, not attributed to another health condition
New loss of taste or smell
Chills; Repeated shaking with chills
Sore throat, not attributed to another health condition
Muscle pain, not attributed to another health condition

<b>COVID-19 Key Symptoms</b>
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Diarrhea (unless due to known cause)
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<b>In the past 14 days, if you:</b>
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Have had close contact with or are caring for an individual diagnosed with COVID-19 at home (not in healthcare setting), please do not come on campus and contact your instructor(s).
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### **COVID-19 SELF-REPORTING REQUIREMENT**

Students taking classes on campus, who test positive for COVID-19 or who have been exposed to a COVID-19 positive person, are required to self-report using the [COVID 19 Health Reporting Form](#). Report all positive cases of COVID-19 to your instructor and [Stephannie Waters](#), Exposure Control Coordinator, [swaters@southeasterntech.edu](mailto:swaters@southeasterntech.edu), 912-538-3195.

### **ONLINE ATTENDANCE**

Class attendance is a very important aspect of a student's success. Being absent from class prevents students from receiving the full benefit of a course and also interrupts the learning process. Southeastern Technical College considers both tardiness and leaving early as types of absenteeism. Responsibility for class attendance rests with the student. Regular and punctual attendance at all scheduled classes is required for student success. Students will be expected to complete all work required by the instructor as described in the individual course syllabus.

Instructors have the right to give unannounced quizzes/assignments. Students who miss an unannounced quiz or assignment will receive a grade of 0. Students who stop attending class, but do not formally withdraw, may receive a grade of "F" (Failing 0-59) and face financial aid repercussions in upcoming semesters.

Instructors are responsible for determining whether missed work may be made up and the content and dates for makeup work is at the discretion of the instructor.

Students will not be withdrawn by an instructor for attendance; however, all instructors will keep records of graded assignments and student participation in course activities. The completion dates of these activities will be used to determine a student's last date of attendance in the event a student withdraws, stops attending, or receives an "F" in a course.

### **STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES**

Students with disabilities who believe that they may need accommodations in this class based on the impact of a disability are encouraged to contact the appropriate campus coordinator to request services.

**Swainsboro Campus:** Macy Gay [mgay@southeasterntech.edu](mailto:mgay@southeasterntech.edu), 478-289-2274, Building 1, Room 1210

**Vidalia Campus:** Helen Thomas [hthomas@southeasterntech.edu](mailto:hthomas@southeasterntech.edu), 912-538-3126, Building A, Room 165

### **SPECIFIC ABSENCES**

Provisions for Instructional Time missed because of documented absences due to jury duty, military duty, court duty, or required job training will be made at the discretion of the instructor.

## PREGNANCY

Southeastern Technical College does not discriminate on the basis of pregnancy. However, we can offer accommodations to students who are pregnant that need special consideration to successfully complete the course. If you think you will need accommodations due to pregnancy, please make appropriate arrangements with the appropriate campus coordinator.

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It is strongly encouraged that requests for consideration be made PRIOR to delivery and early enough in the pregnancy to ensure that all the required documentation is secured before the absence occurs. Requests made after delivery MAY NOT be accommodated. The coordinator will contact your instructor to discuss accommodations when all required documentation has been received. The instructor will then discuss a plan with you to make up missed assignments.

## WITHDRAWAL PROCEDURE

Students wishing to officially withdraw from a course(s) or all courses after the drop/add period and prior to the 65% point of the term in which student is enrolled (date will be posted on the school calendar) must speak with a Career Counselor in Student Affairs and complete a Student Withdrawal Form. A grade of "W" (Withdrawn) is assigned for the course(s) when the student completes the withdrawal form.

Important – Student-initiated withdrawals are not allowed after the 65% point. After the 65% point of the term in which student is enrolled, the student has earned the right to a letter grade and will receive a grade for the course. Please note: Abandoning a course(s) instead of following official withdrawal procedures may result in a grade of "F" (Failing 0-59) being assigned.

Informing your instructor that you will not return to his/her course, does not satisfy the approved withdrawal procedure outlined above.

There is no refund for partial reduction of hours. Withdrawals may affect students' eligibility for financial aid for the current semester and in the future, so a student must also speak with a representative of the Financial Aid Office to determine any financial penalties that may be assessed due to the withdrawal. A grade of "W" will count in attempted hour calculations for the purpose of Financial Aid.

## PROCTORED EVENT REQUIREMENT

**Due to the uncertainties of COVID-19, this event will not be proctored for Fall Semester 202112. Students will complete the event, but will not be required to come on campus to do it.**

The event may be a major exam, assignment, or presentation, etc. that will count a minimum of 20% of the course grade. Students who do not complete the event as scheduled must submit a valid documented excuse within three business days after the scheduled event. If the excuse is approved by the instructor of the course, students must make arrangements with the instructor to makeup/reschedule the missed event. The penalty and makeup instructions will be at the instructor's discretion. Events will be given after the 65% point of the semester. **Students who do not complete the event on the scheduled date and do not present a valid documented excuse within three business days of the scheduled event will be withdrawn from the course with a "WF" (Withdrawn Failing). If the event is scheduled during final exams, any student who misses the event will be issued an "F" (Failing) for the course.**

## CRIMINAL RECORDS CHECK

**National Fingerprint-Based Criminal History Background Check:** All students enrolled in ECCE 1121 Practicum and ECCE 2245 and 2246 Internship must undergo a fingerprint-based criminal history background check

through a local Cogent Systems site and receive a Satisfactory Determination Letter from the Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning before beginning their Practicum or Internship at childcare facilities. It is the responsibility of the student to pay the fingerprint-based criminal history background check fee. Students assigned to an internship or practicum at a site that is not required to be licensed may not be subject to the fingerprinting requirement. These students, however, may be required to meet similar or other standards established by the local board of education. Additional standards may be established by individual site operators which must be met before a placement at a particular site for internship or practicum is finalized. The final approval of a placement is contingent upon acceptance by the individual center/facility operator.

### **MAKEUP GUIDELINES (TESTS, QUIZZES, HOMEWORK, PROJECTS, ETC...)**

There are no make-up exams or assignments in an online class. Students have a week to complete assignments. If Internet or browser failure occurs, contact instructor immediately. A student who needs an exam reopened must come to campus to take the test.

### **ACADEMIC DISHONESTY POLICY**

The Southeastern Technical College Academic Dishonesty Policy states that all forms of academic dishonesty, including but not limited to cheating on tests, plagiarism, collusion, and falsification of information, will call for discipline. The policy can also be found in the Southeastern Technical College Catalog and Handbook.

### **PROCEDURE FOR ACADEMIC MISCONDUCT**

The procedure for dealing with academic misconduct and dishonesty is as follows:

#### **1. First Offense**

Student will be assigned a grade of "0" for the test or assignment. Instructor keeps a record in course/program files and notes as first offense. The instructor will notify the student's program advisor, academic dean, and the Registrar at the student's home campus. The Registrar will input the incident into Banner for tracking purposes.

#### **2. Second Offense**

Student is given a grade of "WF" (Withdrawn Failing) for the course in which offense occurs. The instructor will notify the student's program advisor, academic dean, and the Registrar at the student's home campus indicating a "WF" has been issued as a result of second offense. The Registrar will input the incident into Banner for tracking purposes.

#### **3. Third Offense**

Student is given a grade of "WF" for the course in which the offense occurs. The instructor will notify the student's program advisor, academic dean, and the Registrar at the student's home campus indicating a "WF" has been issued as a result of third offense. The Vice President for Student Affairs, or designee, will notify the student of suspension from college for a specified period of time. The Registrar will input the incident into Banner for tracking purposes.

### **STATEMENT OF NON-DISCRIMINATION**

The Technical College System of Georgia (TCSG) and its constituent Technical Colleges do not discriminate on the basis of race, color, creed, national or ethnic origin, gender, religion, disability, age, political affiliation or belief, genetic information, disabled veteran, veteran of the Vietnam Era, spouse of military member, or citizenship status (except in those special circumstances permitted or mandated by law). This nondiscrimination policy encompasses the operation of all technical college-administered programs, federally financed programs, educational programs and activities involving admissions, scholarships and loans, student life, and athletics. It also applies to the recruitment and employment of personnel and contracting for goods and services.

All work and campus environments shall be free from unlawful forms of discrimination, harassment and retaliation as outlined under Title IX of the Educational Amendments of 1972, Title VI and Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, the Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967, as amended, Executive Order 11246, as amended, the Vietnam Era Veterans Readjustment Act of 1974, as amended, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, the Americans With Disabilities Act of 1990, as amended, the Equal Pay Act, Lilly Ledbetter Fair Pay Act of 2009, the Georgia Fair Employment Act of 1978, as amended, the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986, the Genetic Information Nondiscrimination Act of 2008, the Workforce Investment Act of 1998 and other related mandates under TCSG Policy, federal or state statutes.

The Technical College System and Technical Colleges shall promote the realization of equal opportunity through a positive continuing program of specific practices designed to ensure the full realization of equal opportunity.

The following individuals have been designated to handle inquiries regarding the nondiscrimination policies:

<b>American With Disabilities Act (ADA)/Section 504 - Equity- Title IX (Students) – Office of Civil Rights (OCR) Compliance Officer</b>	<b>Title VI - Title IX (Employees) – Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC) Officer</b>
Helen Thomas, Special Needs Specialist Vidalia Campus 3001 East 1 <sup>st</sup> Street, Vidalia Office 165 Phone: 912-538-3126 Email: <a href="mailto:hthomas@southeasterntech.edu">Helen Thomas</a> <a href="mailto:hthomas@southeasterntech.edu">hthomas@southeasterntech.edu</a>	Lanie Jonas, Director of Human Resources Vidalia Campus 3001 East 1 <sup>st</sup> Street, Vidalia Office 138B Phone: 912-538-3230 Email: <a href="mailto:ljonas@southeasterntech.edu">Lanie Jonas</a> <a href="mailto:ljonas@southeasterntech.edu">ljonas@southeasterntech.edu</a>

### ACCESSIBILITY STATEMENT

Southeastern Technical College is committed to making course content accessible to individuals to comply with the requirements of Section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act of Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). If you find a problem that prevents access, please contact the course instructor.

### GRIEVANCE PROCEDURES

Grievance procedures can be found in the Catalog and Handbook located on Southeastern Technical College’s website.

### ACCESS TO TECHNOLOGY

Students can now access Blackboard, Remote Lab Access, Student Email, Library Databases (Galileo), and BannerWeb via the mySTC portal or by clicking the Current Students link on the [Southeastern Technical College Website \(www.southeasterntech.edu\)](http://www.southeasterntech.edu).

### TECHNICAL COLLEGE SYSTEM OF GEORGIA (TCSG) GUARANTEE/WARRANTY STATEMENT

*The Technical College System of Georgia guarantees employers that graduates of State Technical Colleges shall possess skills and knowledge as prescribed by State Curriculum Standards. Should any graduate employee within two years of graduation be deemed lacking in said skills, that student shall be retrained in any State Technical College at no charge for instructional costs to either the student or the employer.*

### GRADING POLICY

Assessment/Assignment	Percentage
Quizzes	30%

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Assignments	20%
Community Resources	25%
Proctored Exam <b>(due to the uncertainties of COVID-19, this event will not be proctored for Fall Semester 202112. Students will complete the event, but will not be required to come on campus to do it).</b>	20%
Discussion Boards	5%

#### GRADING SCALE

Letter Grade	Range
A	90-100
B	80-89
C	70-79
D	60-69
F	0-59

### ECCE 2201 Exceptionalities Fall Semester 2020 Lesson Plan

Date/Week/Due	Content	Assignments	Competency Area
Week 1 8/17-8/24 <b>Due Monday, 8/24 by 11:59 P.M.</b>	Syllabus  Inclusion and Least Restrictive Environments	-Read Syllabus -Complete Module 1.1	
Week 2 8/25-8/31 <b>Due Monday, 8/31 by 11:59 P.M.</b>	Inclusion and Least Restrictive Environments	-Complete Module 1.2	
Week 3 9/1-9/8 <b>Due Tuesday, 9/8 by 11:59 P.M.</b>	Inclusion and Least Restrictive Environments	-Complete Module 1.3 -Module 1 Quiz	1, 5 a, b, c
Week 4 9/9-9/14 <b>Due Monday, 9/14 by 11:59 P.M.</b>	Physical and Motor Impairment	-Complete Module 2 -Module 2 Quiz	1, 5 a, b, c
Week 5 9/15-9/21 <b>Due Monday, 9/21 by 11:59 P.M.</b>	Gifted and Talented	-Complete Module 3	5 a, b, c



<b>Date/Week/Due</b>	<b>Content</b>	<b>Assignments</b>	<b>Competency Area</b>
Week 6 9/22-9/28 <b>Due Monday, 9/28 by 11:59 P.M.</b>	Intellectual and Cognitive Disabilities	-Complete Module 4 -Module 4 Quiz	2, 5 a, b, c
Week 7 9/29-10/5 <b>Due Monday, 10/5 by 11:59 P.M.</b>	Emotional and Behavioral Disorders	-Complete Module 5 -Module 5 Quiz	1, 4 a, b, c
Week 8 10/6-10/12 <b>Due Monday 10/12 by 11:59 P.M.</b>	Communication Disorders in Speech and Language	-Complete Module 6 -Module 6 Quiz	1, 4, 5 a, b, c
Week 9 10/13-10/19 <b>Due Monday, 10/19 by 11:59 P.M.</b>	Autism Spectrum Disorders	-Complete Module 7	1, 4, 5 a, b, c
Week 10 10/20-10/26 <b>Due Monday, 10/26 by 11:59 P.M.</b>	Visual Impairments	-Complete Module 8	4 a, b, c
Week 11 10/27—11/2 <b>Due Monday, 11/2 by 11:59 P.M.</b>	Deaf and Hard of Hearing	-Complete Module 9 -Proctored Exam over Module 7 and 9 (On Blackboard)	3 a, b, c
Week 12 11/3-11/9 <b>Due Monday, 11/9 by 11:59 P.M.</b>	Health Impairments	-Complete Module 10	2, 6 a, b, c
Week 13 11/10-11/16 <b>Due Monday, 11/16 by 11:59 P.M.</b>	Multiple Disabilities	-Complete Module 11	5 a, b, c
Week 14 and 15 11/17-12/3 <b>Due Monday, 12/3 by 11:59 P.M.</b>	Community Resources	-Complete Module 12	5 a, b, c

**COMPETENCY AREAS:**

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**GENERAL CORE EDUCATIONAL COMPETENCIES**

- a) The ability to utilize standard Written English.
- b) The ability to solve practical mathematical problems.
- c) The ability to read, analyze, and interpret information.

## Discussion Board RUBRIC

Students will be required to answer discussion board questions that will be posted within Blackboard. The topics will be posted at least a week prior to the due date. The discussions should be detailed and thoroughly answer the topic. Also, students will be required to respond to at least one answer posted by their classmates. The responses should include why you do or do not agree with the student's response. It is ok to disagree with your classmate on his/her answer but the responding student should be professional in his/her response to his/her classmate. Be constructive in discussing these topics with your classmates.

**1 POST 1 REPLY**

Students who post their initial discussion board response to the discussion board topic and respond to at least one answer posted by their classmate will be given a 100 on the assignment if the post is turned in by the due date and free of grammatical and spelling errors. The student will receive a 10 point deduction for each day the discussion post is turned in past the due date. The student will receive a one point deduction for each grammatical and spelling error in the student's discussion post. A 30 point deduction will be given to any student who only responds to their classmate with an answer of "yes/no" or "I agree/disagree."

**1 POST 0 REPLY**

Any student that does not respond to at least one answer posted by their classmates will not receive a grade above 70 on the discussion post. The grade of 70 will be the highest grade that the student will be able to receive on the discussion post if the post is turned in by the due date and free of grammatical errors and spelling errors. The student will receive a 10 point deduction for each day the discussion post is turned in past the due date. The student will receive a one point deduction for each grammatical and spelling error in the student's discussion post.

**0 POST1 REPLY**

Students who only respond to a classmate's discussion post will not receive a grade above 50 on the discussion topic. The grade of 50 will be the highest grade that the student will be able to receive on the discussion response if the response is turned in by the due date and free of grammatical errors and spelling errors. The student will receive a 10 point deduction for each day the discussion response is turned in past the due date. The student will receive a one point deduction for each grammatical and spelling error in the student's discussion response.

**0 POST0 REPLY**

Students will receive a 0 on the discussion topic if the student does not post an answer or response to a classmate's discussion post.