Title: TEACHER AS COMMUNICATOR

Code: EDECE1003

Formerly: TW532

School / Division: School of Education

Level: Advanced

Pre-requisites: Nil

Co-requisites: Nil

Exclusions: (TW532)

**Progress Units:** 15

**ASCED Code:** 070100

### **Objectives:**

After successfully completing this course, students should be able to:

## Knowledge:

- recognise that communication with various stakeholders will take different forms;
- identify the various contexts and methods of professional communication.

#### Skills:

- define what is meant by "professional communication";
- develop communication strategies that reflect the communities in which they work;
- communicate through a variety of medium including digital;
- implement the use of appropriate electronic media;
- communicate in an effective and positive manner.

## Values:

- consider the importance of both verbal and non-verbal communication;
- recognise the value of participation in professional organisations;
- develop communication strategies that are culturally diverse.

#### Content:

# Topics may include:

- Concepts of effective communication
- Understanding cultural implications
- Administration and management in early childhood settings
- Understanding leadership and leadership styles

- Teachers' own literacy development
- Relevant professional organisations
- Use of technology
- Understanding gender implications
- Verbal and non-verbal communication
- Advocacy for children and their families
- ECA Code of Ethics
- Centre and broader communication opportunities
- Personal and Centre philosophy
- Barriers to communication
- Conflict resolution

## **Learning Tasks & Assessment:**

Learning Task	Assessment	Weighting
1.1 Develop a portfolio containing examples of communication strategies for	Written report and portfolio	40-60%%
the following: • staff (5 pieces) • families (5 pieces) • community (5 pieces)		
1.2 Complete a written report of how each piece could be used		
Identify and discuss key issues of professional communication in the Early	Essay.	40-60%
Childhood field. Incorporate examples from your Centre.		

# **Adopted Reference Style:**

**APA**