



Dartmouth Workshops



Dartmouth Workshops are held Wednesdays from 7:00 pm—9:00 pm at 21 Woodlawn Rd. NSCC Akerley Campus, Dartmouth (unless otherwise specified)*

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location

Organizing for Child Portfolios (+Centre Tour)

Are children's portfolio's consuming your life? It's time to become organized, prepared, and resourceful. This workshop will help you to simplify your portfolios and offer you tools to make the process easier. Please bring some photos, etc. and we will work together to set the groundwork for success. Participants will also have the opportunity to tour **Mawio'mi Child Care Centre** (491-1330) to see how this program streamlines the portfolio process.

Leigh-Ann MacDivitt and Melissa McCarthy are teachers at Mawio'mi Child Care Centre, a St. Joseph's College Lab School. Leigh-Ann is a graduate of SJC and Melissa has her degree in CHYS from MSVU. They have been refining their portfolio techniques for the past few years.
January 28, 2009 (NSCC Waterfront Campus)*

HOP on Board — Active Play for Preschoolers

Preschool children are developing and learning at an unprecedented rate, and they learn best when learning is active. Come participate and explore some of the many active play activities that are part of the Healthy Opportunities for Preschoolers program. This program developed in BC by Vivienne Temple and Justen O'Connor offers ideas and resources to care providers so they can support and program for at least 60 minutes of active play each day.

Debbie Thompson is an MSVU Child Studies graduate. She is currently working as an EIBI Program Implementer for the IWK. Debbie has offered a number of upbeat and energetic workshops for St. Joseph's College over the past year.

February 25, 2009

Children's Relationship with Mother Nature

Just as we teach and nurture children, Mother Nature teaches and nurtures us. Connection to nature has been shown to increase concentration, creativity, and self-esteem and to reduce stress. In spite of this, children's association with nature has decreased in the past two decades. To raise a generation that will care for nature, both they and we need to become better acquainted with this other mother.

Lisa Davies has been working with children and families in not for profit agencies and government for over 20 years. Lisa was a full-time faculty member at St. Joseph's College of Early Childhood Education and is currently the Director of Dartmouth Developmental Centre.
March 25, 2009

Remembering the Key Experiences

One of the many gifts of the High/Scope Educational Foundation to early childhood education has been the concept of key experiences. Come prepared for active learning. Together we will explore all the key experiences from **creative representation** to **time**. Participants will have the opportunity to try a variety of activities relating to the key experiences and reflect on the critical importance of open-ended, active learning for young children.

Nicole Worobec and Carrie Melsom both work for St. Joseph's College of Early Childhood Education. Nicole is an ECE who teaches at Mawio'mi Child Care Centre but is currently on sabbatical and working in the ECE Resource Centre; Carrie is the Resource Centre Coordinator.
April 15, 2009

All questions regarding equivalency accreditation should be directed to the Nova Scotia Department of Community Services at 424-3207

Workshop fees are non-refundable. A voucher will be issued if the College is notified of cancellation by 4:00 pm the Friday before the scheduled workshop date. Non-attendance does not constitute cancellation.

Registration is only accepted with a payment. Write down the date and title of the workshop(s) you wish to attend, and forward with payment to SJC. You will be notified if your workshop is full or is cancelled for any reason.

To register, forward payment of \$35 per workshop to:

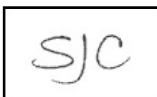
St. Joseph's College of Early Childhood Education, 2326 Brunswick St. (2nd Floor) Halifax, NS B3K 2Z3, 423-7114



St. Joseph's College of Early Childhood Education

We honour your prior learning through work experience, informal education or training, independent studies, or volunteer activities.

Prior Learning Assessment and Recognition (PLAR)





You may be eligible for college credits. Any individual with at least five years of early childhood education experience can apply.


Call: Barbara Rowe Student Success Counselor (902) 420-9972

Look for the workshop symbol

The college offers a wide variety of workshops each year to help meet the diverse professional development needs of people working in early learning and child care. It is our belief that people at different stages of their career look for different types of professional development opportunities and are interested in different types of conversations about their work. Look for these symbols on our workshop schedule to help you decide if a workshop fits your stage of development.

 **Budding:** Just starting your career in early childhood education? These workshops are designed to meet your early needs and to prepare you for the challenges that lie ahead. The focus will be on tips and activity ideas you can take away.

 **Advancing:** Growing in your career? You have a recognized NS training credential in early childhood education and you are past the basics. These workshops provide advanced training for maturing early childhood educators. The focus will be on making connections and reflection-on practice to reinvigorate you and motivate you to climb a little higher.

 **Master:** These workshops are designed to challenge seasoned early childhood educators who have a recognized NS training credential and a rich background in ELCC. You'll dig deeper and find new and innovative information suited to your maturation and skill level. The focus will be on dialogue and questions that get to heart of our understandings of best practice.

 **Something here for everyone.**

Carrie Melsom, SJC Resource Centre Coordinator (902) 420-1492

St. Joseph's College of Early Childhood
Education—Student Success Services

(902) 420-9972

ECE JOB FAIR

Call or mail to reserve
a table for your
organization

studentsupport@ns.sympatico.ca

Our students are
waiting to meet you!



3:30—5:30 PM
Wednesday, February 11

Mail to: Barbara Rowe,
St. Joseph's College of
Early Childhood Education,
2326 Brunswick Street (2nd
Floor), Halifax, NS B3K 2Z3



Winter Storm Cancellations

**Just like daycare our
evening workshops
are rarely cancelled.**

- If there are severe storm conditions resulting in major road closures in Halifax/Dartmouth we will cancel and reschedule the workshop.
- A cancellation notice will be put on our phone line at 423-7114. We will also run a banner on our website at www.stjosephsece.ns.ca
- The College will call your contact number if there is a storm cancellation.
- If the Halifax Regional School Board has cancelled classes on the day of the workshop the college will also be closed and the evening workshop cancelled.