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GOALS FOR TODAY

- Enhance your understanding of what students need to implement evidence-based practice
- Expand your knowledge of *Research Connections*
- Hear the experiences of faculty who have been using the *Research Connections* teaching modules
- Get resources you can use now
- Get questions answered
- Give feedback



HELPING STUDENTS FIND AND USE RESEARCH



A CRITICAL AND CHALLENGING TASK

- CRITICAL BECAUSE: Effective EC teachers must implement evidence-based practices (Buyse & Wesley, 2006)
- CHALLENGING BECAUSE OF:
 - Internet information glut
 - Students' perception that ECE is static
 - Limited room for new content in ECE teacher ed programs
 - Increasing faculty workloads and shrinking professional development resources

THE
RESEARCH CONNECTIONS
WEB SITE
AS A RESOURCE



ADDING VALUE TO
RESEARCH CONNECTIONS
WITH THE FACULTY
TEACHING MODULES



GOALS OF THE TEACHING MODULES

- Help faculty introduce undergraduate students to the value of research
- Give faculty free, adaptable materials for typical undergrad courses
- Offer students easy-to-use, credible research resources
- Increase students' interest and engagement in learning more about, and applying, ECE research



THE TEACHING MODULES' CONTENTS

- Introduction for Faculty
- Module 1: *Welcome to Child Care and Early Education Research Connections!*
- Module 2: *Research Connections and Early Childhood Development*
- Module 3: *Research Connections and Early Childhood Curriculum and Teaching Strategies*



MORE

MORE CONTENTS

- Module 4: *Research Connections* and Families of Young Children
- Module 5: *Research Connections* and The Early Childhood Profession
- Inclusion, diversity, assessment are addressed across all modules



EACH MODULE INCLUDES

- Overview for faculty
- Student outcomes
- Alignment with NAEYC standards
- Assignments and in-class activities
- Student worksheets and self-assessment forms
- Suggestions for how to adapt materials



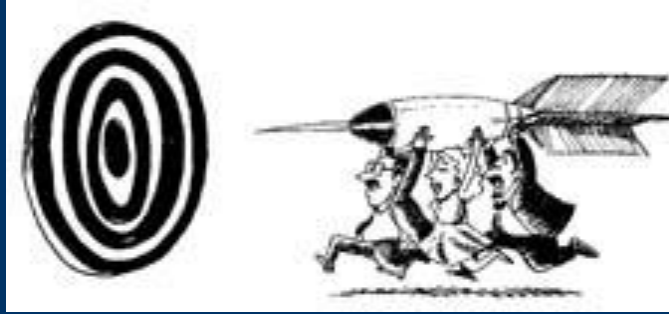
USING AND ADAPTING THE MODULES: FACULTY PERSPECTIVES



QUESTIONS, DISCUSSION AND FEEDBACK



WHAT NEXT?



THANK YOU!

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