NEW RESEARCH CONNECTIONS
TEACHING MODULES:
ACTIVITIES AND RESOURCES
FOR UNDERGRADUATE
EARLY CHILDHOOD
TEACHER EDUCATION COURSES

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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 (Buysse & 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

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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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