

PD513: Understanding Autism and Pervasive Development Disorders

Are you a parent, relative, caregiver or teacher that would like to understand more about autism spectrum disorders? ASD's are neurodevelopmental disorders with a genetic component, and may be modified by environmental factors. This course will investigate early identification of autism spectrum disorders as it relates to Asperger's syndrome, Rett syndrome and Autistic disorder. Early intervention, educational modifications and peer facilitation are valuable in assisting children with ASD's.

McWeadon is currently offering, Understanding Autism and Pervasive Development Disorders, a 4-week online course with special discounted rate of **\$99.** McWeadon instructor Tina Winesette will be your personal coach and guide as you develop your skills in the course. Tina has had experience with teaching children with autism, learning disabilities, and early childhood education.

Learn in a highly facilitated environment at your convenience. Our instructors are personally accountable to ensure the utmost quality and interaction and the effectiveness of this valuable learning environment.

WHAT YOU'LL LEARN

This course is designed to understand and familiarize students with the term Pervasive Development Disorders, with a focus on Autism. Scholarly articles, provided by the instructor, will be reviewed and discussed among students along with a Power Point Presentation. Students will have an opportunity to learn more about the early identification of autism, treatment and intervention for autism and educational modifications and adaptations. Course participants will:

- Gain knowledge of autism spectrum disorders nationwide
- Understand brain structure and function in autism
- Investigate complications of autism-i.e., teratogens,
- Checklists for autism spectrum disorders
- Typical behavior and techniques to aid with behavior
- Medication treatments for PDD's
- School facilitation and peer facilitation for autism
- Agencies available for autism intervention
- Become familiar with Asperger's syndrome
- Outlook for children with Autism

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MEET THE INSTRUCTOR



Tina M. Winesette Tina received her M. Ed. In Early Childhood Education from the University of Toledo, a BS in Special Education/Learning Disabilities K-12 from Methodist University and an AA from Louisburg College. She has held many school committee responsibilities at both the private and public school sectors. Tina has completed effective teacher training and facilitated learning techniques for children affected by autism, learning disabilities, BEH and severely handicapped. Her masters thesis manuscript dealt with The Benefits of Unstructured Free Play In Early Childhood and how it enhances learning and social skills in young children. Also, a manuscript entitled Peer Facilitation for Children with Autism Spectrum disorder was completed during her masters e-research seminar at University of Toledo. Along with her educational interests, Tina has also worked in the sales and public relations side of real estate/property management. Her hobbies and interests include the arts/painting, jewelry making, reading, cooking and spending time with her family.

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