EDUC 55 Course Outline as of Fall 2021

CATALOG INFORMATION

Dept and Nbr: EDUC 55 Title: INTRODUCTION TO TEACHING

Full Title: Introduction to Teaching

Last Reviewed: 1/25/2021

Units		Course Hours per Week]	Nbr of Weeks	Course Hours Total	
Maximum	3.50	Lecture Scheduled	3.00	17.5	Lecture Scheduled	52.50
Minimum	3.50	Lab Scheduled	0	17.5	Lab Scheduled	0
		Contact DHR	0		Contact DHR	0
		Contact Total	3.00		Contact Total	52.50
		Non-contact DHR	2.67		Non-contact DHR	46.73

Total Out of Class Hours: 105.00 Total Student Learning Hours: 204.23

Title 5 Category: AA Degree Applicable

Grading: Grade Only

Repeatability: 00 - Two Repeats if Grade was D, F, NC, or NP

Also Listed As:

Formerly:

Catalog Description:

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ARTICULATION, MAJOR, and CERTIFICATION INFORMATION:

AS Degree: Area Effective: Inactive: CSU GE: Transfer Area Effective: Inactive:

IGETC: Transfer Area Effective: Inactive:

CSU Transfer: Transferable Effective: Spring 2010 Inactive:

UC Transfer: Effective: Inactive:

CID:

CID Descriptor: EDUC 200 Introduction to Elementary Classroom Teaching

SRJC Equivalent Course(s): EDUC55

Certificate/Major Applicable:

Not Certificate/Major Applicable

COURSE CONTENT

Student Learning Outcomes:

At the conclusion of this course, the student should be able to:

- 1. Analyze the role of schooling and describe the multiple roles and functions of teachers in meeting the diverse needs of students.
- 2. Describe and document the optimal classroom teaching environment, instructional practices that align with the California Standards for the Teaching Profession (CSTP), and California Teacher Performance Expectations (TPE).

Objectives:

At the conclusion of this course, the student should be able to:

- 1. Identify, define, and document personal meanings related to teaching, reflecting upon their career goals and examining personal characteristics, assumptions and beliefs which could affect their development as a teacher.
- 2. Demonstrate knowledge of professional standards, ethics, and professionalism in a school setting.

- 3. Identify teaching methods that address individual student needs and engage students.
- 4. Demonstrate knowledge of Common Core standards and examples of subject matter specific instructional strategies.
- 5. Identify methods and uses of student assessment.
- 6. Complete a minimum of 45 hours of approved fieldwork at a public school site.
- 7. Recognize and describe examples of teaching events that implementing elements of the CSTP and TPEs.
- 8. Promote English language development according to Core Curriculum standards.

Topics and Scope:

- I. Role, Responsibilities, and Guidelines in a Fieldwork Placement
 - A. Relationship with the host teacher
 - 1. Understanding the role of student volunteer
 - 2. Classroom activity design
 - B. Relationship with students in the classroom environment
 - 1. Teacher/Child communications
 - 2. Individual child and group dynamics
 - C. Understanding Current Practices in Teaching
 - 1. Education in America
 - 2. Overview of History of Education
- II. Engaging and Supporting all Students in Learning (TPE 1)
 - A. Understanding Diverse Student Populations
 - 1. Learner-centered and teacher-centered approaches
 - 2. Diverse student populations
 - 3. English language learners
 - 4. Learners with special needs
 - B. Connect learning to students' prior knowledge, backgrounds, and interests
 - C. Connecting subject matter to meaningful, real-life contexts
- D. Using a variety of instructional strategies, resources, and technologies to meet students' diverse learning needs
 - 1. Applying contemporary learning theories
 - 2. Promoting critical thinking through inquiry, problem solving, and reflection
 - 3. The importance of observing children and individualizing strategies
- III. Creating and Maintaining Effective Environments for Student Learning and Understanding (TPE 2)
 - A. The safe classroom and the role of respectful, inclusive relationships
 - 1. The roles and responsibility of adults in the classroom
 - 2. Student- teacher relationships
 - 3. Supporting respectful interactions among students
 - 4. Creating an intellectually and emotionally safe environment
 - 5. Accessing resources for students who have experienced trauma
 - B. Employing routines and norms to support positive behavior
 - 1. Daily schedules, routines, and activities
 - 2. Supporting social development and responsibility
 - 3. Age appropriate behavior expectations and guidance techniques
 - C. Current definitions of best practices in the classroom environment
 - 1. Developmentally and culturally appropriate practices
 - 2. The importance of the physical environment
 - 3. Setting up the classroom environment
- IV. Organizing Subject Matter for Student Learning Content Specific Pedagogy (TPE 3)
 - A. Curriculum standards and guidelines

- 1. Understanding Common Core standards
- 2. Subject area content and frameworks
- B. Methodology for K-12 Instruction Understanding the learner
 - 1. Applying knowledge of the range of developmental skills
 - 2. Understanding individual differences
 - 3. Setting goals for children with atypical development
- C. Organizing curriculum to facilitate student understanding
 - 1. Creating and implementing lesson plans
 - 2. Inquiry based approaches
 - 3. Adapting instructional strategies based on subject matter
- D. Ensuring accessibility for all students
 - 1. Use of technology
 - 2. Adaptive materials
 - 3. Universal Design for Learning
- V. Planning Instruction and Designing Learning Experiences for All Students (TPE 4)
 - A. Establishing and articulating goals for student learning
 - B. Planning for individualized learning
 - 1. Lesson planning
 - 2. The role of assessment in planning
 - 3. Choosing and evaluating instructional materials
 - C. Planning to meet the needs of all students
 - 1. Adapting materials and curriculum to meet individual needs
 - 2. Working with an IEP
 - 3. Incorporating English Language Development standards
- VI. Assessing Student Learning (TPE 5)
 - A. Methods of evaluating student learning
 - 1. Types and uses of assessment tools
 - 2. Diagnostic, formative, and summative testing
 - 3. Using multiple sources and types of assessment to ensure equity
 - B. Using assessment to monitor student progress and plan for learning
 - C. Communicating student progress to families
- VII. Developing as a Professional Educator (TPE 6)
 - A. Career choices in education
 - B. Teacher preparation and professional standards
 - 1. National Board of Professional Teaching Standards
 - 2. California Teaching Performance Expectations (TPEs)
 - 3. California Standards for the Teaching Profession (CSTP)
 - C. Teacher professional ethics and responsibilities
 - D. Establishing relationships with parents and colleagues
 - E. Reflective Teaching Practices

Assignment:

- 1. Reading textbook, handouts, journals, and articles: approximately 40-50 pages per week
- 2. In-class discussions, group activities, and collaborative work
- 3. Reflective writing based on reading, content standards, and placement experiences (5000 to 7000 words)
- 4. Exams, including quizzes, written midterm, and final exam
- 5. Written lesson plan(s) (1-3)
- 6. Presentation of activity based on lesson plan at fieldwork site with small or large group of children
- 7. Written reflection on fieldwork and lesson plan presentation

- 8. In-class teaching demonstration based on a written lesson plan
- 9. Participate in the 45-hour service-learning experience at a local public school (approximately
- 3-4 hours per week), to be documented with an annotated log of weekly hours and activities with master teacher verification.
- 10. Comprehensive portfolio project that includes work completed in the course

Methods of Evaluation/Basis of Grade:

Writing: Assessment tools that demonstrate writing skills and/or require students to select, organize and explain ideas in writing.

Reflective writing assignments, lesson plan(s)

Writing 35 - 50%

Problem Solving: Assessment tools, other than exams, that demonstrate competence in computational or non-computational problem solving skills.

None

Problem solving 0 - 0%

Skill Demonstrations: All skill-based and physical demonstrations used for assessment purposes including skill performance exams.

Presentation of activity at service-learning site; teaching demonstration

Skill Demonstrations 5 - 10%

Exams: All forms of formal testing, other than skill performance exams.

Quizzes, midterm, final exam

Exams 10 - 20%

Other: Includes any assessment tools that do not logically fit into the above categories.

Service-learning participation, In-class discussions, group activities, and collaborative work, portfolio

Other Category 25 - 40%

Representative Textbooks and Materials:

What Great Teachers Do Differently: 17 Things That Matter Most. 3rd ed. Whitaker, Todd. Routledge Press. 2020

Your Introduction to Education: Explorations in Teaching. 4th ed. Powell, Sara. Pearson. 2019