EDUC 55 Course Outline as of Fall 2013

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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Recommended Preparation:

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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

Outcomes and Objectives:

Upon successful completion of the course, students will be able to:

- 1. Describe how a teacher establishes and maintains a respectful, open, and inclusive classroom atmosphere where students learn most effectively.
- 2. Recognize and summarize best practices in classroom responsibilities and management.
- 3. Examine students' learning and retention of material.
- 4. Describe teaching methods that address diversity and the needs of all students in the classroom.
- 5. Identify teaching methods that address various learning styles and engage students.
- 6. Describe issues associated with teaching English language learners as well as best practices.
- 7. Demonstrate the ability to work successfully within an educational setting.
- 8. Distinguish between learner-centered and teacher-centered curricula as well as distinguish between classroom approaches that are inquiry-based (hands-on) and information-based (informational).
- 9. Develop inquiry-based and information-based materials.
- 10. Explain how teachers and students can use technology to enhance teaching and learning.
- 11. Identify and document appropriate methods, materials, and activities for use within the classroom.
- 12. Describe how state and national testing affect curriculum design, testing and best practices.
- 13. Present criteria for evaluating and choosing classroom and teaching materials including

textbooks and workbooks, manipulatives, computer-based programs, laboratory supplies and equipment.

- 14. Identify methods used to assess, interpret, and track student learning and progress.
- 15. Relate to various individuals in a school setting including: parents and children of varying ages and diverse backgrounds.
- 16. Describe complex relationships between school faculty and staff, administrators, and other district employees.
- 17. Describe the role of observation in creating appropriate curriculum.

Topics and Scope:

- I. Working Successfully Within an Educational Setting
 - A. Working with children in a school setting
 - 1) The importance of observation and its uses
 - 2) Diversity in individual children and in group settings
 - 3) The significance of gender, ethnicity, language skills, and special needs of children in the classroom
 - 4) Small group and individual tutoring
 - B. Classroom Responsibilities
 - 1) Lessons plans using best practices
 - 2) Appropriate activities and methodology
 - 3) The roles and responsibility of adults in the classroom
 - 4) The student's relationship with his/her teacher, parents, principal, assistants/aides, other personnel
 - 5) The safe classroom and the role of respectful, inclusive relationships
 - C. Classroom Management
 - 1) Daily schedules, routines, and activities
 - 2) The role of the teacher
 - 3) The importance of the physical environment
 - 4) Appropriate classroom management procedures
 - 5) Student behavior expectations and discipline strategies for different age groups
 - 6) Current definitions of best practices in the classroom environment

II. Current Theories in Teaching

- A. Learning Theories
 - 1) Comprehension and critical thinking
 - 2) Social, constructivist, situated, and transfer learning
 - 3) Learning styles
- B. Learning and Diversity
 - 1) Learner-centered and teacher-centered approaches
 - 2) Diverse student populations
 - 3) English language learners
 - 4) Advanced learners
 - 5) Special needs learners
 - 6) Child education in today's world
- C. National, State, and Local District frameworks
 - 1) Standards-based instruction
 - 2) Curriculum power standards
 - 3) State and national testing
- D. Primary resources
 - 1) Maintaining currency
 - 2) Accountability

3) Reflection

III. Methodology for K-12 Instruction

- A. Inquiry-based approach and activities
- B. Information-based approach and material
- C. Use of technology
- D. Early intervention
 - a) Prevention vs Remediation
 - b) Resources
 - c) Programs
- E. Assessment and use of information
- F. Multidisciplinary perspectives

IV. Familiarity with Materials

- A. Matching learners with materials and textbooks
- B. Criteria for evaluating materials
- C. Resources for selecting and acquiring materials

V. Assessment and Evaluation

- A. Methods of evaluating student learning
- B. Assessment and interpretation of progress
- C. Diagnostic, formative and summative testing
- D. Tracking
 - 1) Student
 - 2) Teacher
 - 3) Self assessment and monitoring

E. Reporting

- 1) Communication with parents/ guardians
- 2) Site level tracking and documentation
- 3) Teacher and administrators

VI. Classroom Observation

- A. Work with Host Teacher
 - 1) Classroom
 - 2) Textbooks
 - 3) Manipulatives
 - 4) Supplies
 - 5) Lab equipment and provisions
 - 6) Computer-based programs
 - 7) Other materials
- B. Classroom activity design
- C. Teacher/Child communications
- D. Individual child and group dynamics

Assignment:

- 1. Reading textbook, handouts, journals, and articles outside of class: approximately 40-50 pages per week.
- 2. In-class discussions, group activities and collaborative work.
- 3. Comprehensive portfolio project (25-40 pages) that includes personal response to theories, models, and strategies learned in class or on-site with appropriate scholarly references: approximately 6 entries with a 1,000 word minimum.

- 4. Class quizes and one comprehensive final exam (essay, M/C, T/F, fill-in).
- 5. Two teaching demonstrations and/or coordination of group activity.
- 6. Annotated log of weekly internship (field experience) hours and activities with master teacher verification.
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- 9. A 45 hour service learning experience at a local school (approximately 3-4 hours per week). The students' experiences will vary while observing and assisting his/her mentor teacher.

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.

Reading; analysis of readings, research papers, reports, reflective journal, lesson plan, log of field experience

Writing 35 - 50%

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

Case study, textbook and research assignments

Problem solving 10 - 15%

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

Teaching demonstration of lesson plan, oral report

Skill Demonstrations 5 - 10%

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

Quizzes, midterm and/or final exam: essay, multiple choice, true/false, fill-in

Exams 10 - 20%

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

Portfolio project, on-site internship in local school classroom (field experience), log of hours and activities, participation, group work Other Category 25 - 40%

Representative Textbooks and Materials:

STUDENTS PLEASE NOTE: DO NOT BUY TEXTBOOKS before checking with the SRJC Bookstore.

These titles are representative only, and may not be the same ones used in your class.

What Great Teachers Do Differently: 17 Things That Matter Most. Whitaker, Todd. Eye on Education: 2012.

Education: The Practice and Profession of Teaching. McNergney, R.F. & McNergney, J.M. Pearson 2009.