University of North Texas at Dallas  
Fall 2012  
SYLLABUS

EDBE 3480.91/EDSE 4070.90 AM  
Bilingualism and Multiculturalism: Issues and Perspectives--3 hrs

Division of Education and Human Services

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Class Meeting Days & Times: Monday and Wednesday 10 am- 11:20 am  
Class location DAL 1 248

Course Catalog Description: Study of the bilingual/ESL learner; perspectives on multiculturalism; discussions of cognitive, social and affective factors impacting second language development; insights into education in a pluralistic society. Three lecture hours a week. Required for all teacher education majors including students seeking EC-6 or 4-8 Generalist certification specialization in Bilingual or ESL education.


TK20
This course requires students seeking secondary certification to comply with the UNT TK20 Assessment System. Students in the EDSE 4070 course must purchase access to TK20. Please go to the following link for directions on how to purchase TK20: http://www.coe.unt.edu/tk20. Announcements regarding training on use of the TK20 system will also be posted on this website. All assignments will be posted on Blackboard regardless of certification. The instructor will indicate when and what assignment will be uploaded in TK20.

Recommended Text and References: See Reference List (last page), electronic references provided also in Blackboard.

Access to Learning Resources: UNT Dallas Library:
phone: (972) 780-3625;
web: http://www.unt.edu/unt-dallas/library.htm

UNT Dallas Bookstore:
phone: (972) 780-3652;
e-mail: 1012mgr@fheg.follett.com

Texas Education Agency Websites; Other ONLINE resources (TBA)
TK20 http://www.coe.unt.edu/tk20 (TBA) Student subscriptions are effective for 7 years from date of purchase)

Learning Objectives/Outcomes: At the end of this course, the student will

1. Demonstrate knowledge of students with diverse personal and social characteristics (e.g., those related to ethnicity, gender, language background, exceptionality) and the significance of student diversity for teaching, learning, and assessment (TExES: PPR II IV; TEKS Social Studies VII, XVIII. ESL II, V, VII; BE I, LPS; INTASC 3, 5, 7, 9; Code of Ethics 1.7, 3.2, 3.3, 3.5 )

2. Accept and respects students with diverse backgrounds and needs (TExES PPR).

3. Know how to use diversity in the classroom and the community to enrich all students’ learning experiences (TExES PPR).

4. Know strategies for enhancing one’s own understanding of students’ diverse backgrounds and needs (TExES PPR).

5. Know how to plan and adapt lessons to address students’ varied backgrounds, skills, interests, and learning needs, including the needs of English language learners and students with disabilities. (TESOL D2, Culture 2b; ESL IV, V; BE I; LPS, IV; INTASC 1, 2, 4, 7, 9; PPR III; TEKS SS X)
6. Understand cultural and socioeconomic differences (including differential access to technology) and knows how to plan instruction that is responsive to cultural and socioeconomic differences among students. (PPR TEKS SS)

7. Understand and use the major concepts, principles, theories, and research related to the nature and role of culture and cultural groups to construct learning environments that support ESOL students’ cultural identities (TESOL D2, Culture 2b; ESL IV, V; BE I; LPS, IV; INTASC 1, 2, 4, 7, 9; PPR III; TEKS SS X)

8. Has knowledge of the foundations of ESL education and factors that contribute to an effective multicultural and multilingual learning environment (State ESL standard 2).

9. Has knowledge of the factors that affect ESL students’ learning of academic content, language, and culture. (State ESL standard 5).

10. Develop an understanding of bilingualism and multiculturalism within a global and national context.

11. Identify appropriate materials and activities to promote culturally responsive pedagogy within bilingual/multilingual/multicultural classrooms.

Assignment Policy: USE OF WIKIPEDIA IS STRICTLY DISCOURAGED. PLAGIARISM IS ABSOLUTELY PROHIBITED. RESEARCH BASED ON WIKIPEDIA FOR ANY OF THE ASSIGNMENTS WOULD NOT BE CONSIDERED FOR GRADE. PLEASE ASK THE PROFESSOR WHEN IN DOUBT.

Course Outline

This schedule is subject to change by the instructor. Any changes to this schedule will be communicated by Dr. Romano on a weekly basis during class time or Blackboard email to ensure all material is covered accordingly to class pace and students’ needs. Assignments and topics will not be subject to change.

An electronic copy will be submitted no later than the date set on Blackboard

Online assignments will be turned in Blackboard no later than Sunday 5 p.m. Early work may be turned in at any time during the week.

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Week One
August 29
1. Seek for multicultural events in the Metroplex. this is a long semester assignment
   www.dfwinternational.org
   Plan accordingly: attend a minimum of 4 multicultural events and 4 food related tastings.
   Register for Observation/volunteer work:
   https://unt.qualtrics.com/SE/?SID=SV_7U4QsRpP8cvz2Sh
Note: This application MUST be completed by Friday, September 7th in order to receive assistance in securing a placement.

**Introductions, Syllabus**
Intro to course outline and Chapter 1
Multicultural Schools: What, why and how? What is multicultural education?

**Articles on BB:**
- Funds of Knowledge
- Culturally responsive teaching
- Multiple Intelligences
- Hunter’s lesson plan
- Stereotypes

Readings are due on week 8

**Week Two**
Sept 3 No class
September-5
1. Begin research paper-scholarly research articles
   This assignment meets the following standards:
   TEKS SS IV, IX; INTASC 3, 8, 9, 10; LPS III; BE I; ESL III; VII
   Guests visit:
   Ms. Laura Smith, student life and Writing Center information
   
   Reading Chapter One and Two--Bennett’s book
   **Critical reflection # 1 Due**
   Due Student’s Biography: Due on Wednesday. A hard copy will be handed to Dr. Romano and an electronic copy will be submitted on Blackboard.
   
   Last day to secure field observation due: Sept 7th (Friday)

**Week Three**
September 10-12

Update on literature review for research paper.
TEKS SS IV; PPR II
Chapter 1 and Chapter 2
Define:
Culture, deep and surface culture, Race, and Ethnic group

Video clip: The story we tell
Film Link: [https://vod.library.unt.edu/cat_vodentry.php?film=500](https://vod.library.unt.edu/cat_vodentry.php?film=500)

**Week Four**
September 17-19
Chapter 3--Define racism, discrimination, prejudice. Intro to: Race relationships and the nature of prejudice, deep culture, surface culture

Thinking about topics for the Text set
Begin reading of Book- Espinoza-Herold
| Week Five | September 24-26 Chapters 2 and 3 - culture, ethnic group, discrimination  
(PPR I, II, TEKS SS IV, IX, INTASC III)  
Class discussion, Group work  
Chapter 2 (Espinoza-Herold) - Que Pasa? Latinos: From the most numerous to the most neglected.  
Chapter 3 (Espinoza-Herold). - Manny: “There’s more than Whites out here”  
Chapter 4 (Espinoza-Herold) - Carla” Her is America and here you speak English”  
Chapter 7 (Espinoza-Herold) - Students’ concerns and recommendations for Education Reform. |
| Week Six | October 1-3  
INTASC I, III, Code of Ethics 3.4 (d), 3.8 (h); TEKS SS I, IV, V, VII, IX  
Chapter 9 and 10, how does the information on these chapters apply to the Espinoza Herold?  
Continuation Discussion - book Espinoza-Herold  
Based on last week’s readings, how can you meet the needs of diverse students?  
Students presentations  
Due Research Paper |
| Week Seven | October 8-10  
INTASC I, III, Code of Ethics 3.4 (d), 3.8 (h); TEKS SS I, IV, V, VII, IX, PPR I-IV; INTASC 3, 4.  
Chapter 9  
Reaching all learners: perspectives of gender, class, and special needs  
Chapter 10  
Teaching in linguistically diverse classrooms American Perspectives |
| Week Eight | October 15-17  
TEKS SS IV, IX, Code of Ethics 3.4 (d); INTASC 9  
Multicultural curriculum development: a decision-making model and lesson plans  
Discussion of Fund of Knowledge, culturally responsive teaching, multiple intelligences, Hunter lesson plans  
Chapter 8 learning styles and culturally competent teaching  
Read Chapter 11, it will help you set up a Text Set (due on week ten) |
| Week Nine | October 22-24  
This assignment meets class objectives; 1, 2, 5, 10, 11: ESL II, III, IV, V; INTASC 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10; PPR I, II, IV; Code of Ethics 3.4(d), TEKS for the subject matter or area selected.  
Chapter 8 continuation  
What does it mean culturally relevant curriculum?  
What does it mean culturally competent teaching  
Learning styles and culturally competent teaching  
Due: TEXT Set Presentations, Presentation and written report |
| Week Ten | October 29-31 |
This assignment meets class objectives 1-11; ESL II, III; IV, VI; INTASC 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 10; PPR I, II, III; Code of Ethics; TEKS SS III, IV, V, VI, VII, IX, X
Planning instruction for a multicultural/multilingual classroom

**Week Eleven**
November 5-7
This assignment meets class objectives 1-11; ESL II, III; IV, VI; INTASC 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 10; PPR I, II, III; Code of Ethics; TEKS SS III, IV, V, VI, VII, IX, X
Co-Teaching: Historical aspect of immigration patterns
Chapter 5
Colonialism, Involuntary immigration: American Indian and African
Chapter 6
Colonialism, Latino perspectives

**Week Twelve**
November 12-14
Co-teaching
Chapter 4
Immigrations and European American and Jewish American Perspectives
Chapter 7
Contemporary Immigration: Asian, Muslim, and Arab Perspectives

**Week Thirteen**
November 19-21
Thanksgiving
This assignment meets class objectives: 1-11; ESL I-VII; BE I-VI; LPS II; INTASC 1-10; PPR I-IV; Code of Ethics
Due: Field Observations
Due writing assignment report

**Week Fourteen**
November 26-28
This assignment meets the following class objectives: 1, 2, 3, 4, 10, 11; ESL II, LPS III; INTASC 1, 4, 5, 6, 10; PPR II, IV; Code of Ethics 3.4 (d); TEKS SS I, IV, V, VI, VII, VIII, IX, X
Class Observations- Discussions
How does the course material, assignments and objectives relate to the state and national standards for the teaching profession?

**Week Fifteen**
December 3-5
Due Multicultural Experience project -- Multicultural Presentation- Potluck Class
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## Course Assignments

### Description of Assignments
Description of the assignment, directions, requirements and due dates will be posted on Blackboard under the tap “Assignments”.

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VI. Field Experience
This assignment meets class objectives: 1-11; ESL I-VII; BE I-VI; LPS II; INTASC 1-10; PPR I-IV; Code of Ethics;

V. Field experience Assignment (15 hours)
   - Observations report
   - Case Study report
   - Community Service report
   - Final reflection
   a. Completed by week ___

This assignment meets class objectives: 1-11; ESL I-VII; BE I-VI; LPS II; INTASC 1-10; PPR I-IV; Code of Ethics

| Up to 35 pts | (10 pts for signature log/time, 25 for written work) |

VII. Key Assignment: Written Report and Presentation about multicultural experience. The student will explore (deep and surface elements) of two cultures- 1) Latinos and 2) other ethnic immigrant group

b. Due on Week 14

This assignment meets the following class objectives: 1, 2, 3, 4, 10, 11; ESL II, LPS III; INTASC 1, 4, 5, 6, 10; PPR II, IV, Code of Ethics 3.4 (d); TEKS SS I, IV, V, VI, VII, VIII, IX, X

| Up to 35 points | 10 for presentation 25 for written paper |

Attendance and participation
More than 4 absences will result in DROP of the course. 3 absences will result in a complete loss of a LETTER grade.
If you have difficulties assisting to class, you should arrange a conference with the instructor to discuss one’s continuing in the course.

Total possible Points 200 points

Extra Credit for attending the TAIR or the TABE(www.tabe.org), NAME, TexTESOL (www.TexTESOL.org) or other conference related to diversity, multiculturalism, bilingualism in education. Proof of attendance will be required. FOR EXTRA CREDIT, THE STUDENT MUST REQUEST PERMISSION FROM INSTRUCTOR. IT MUST BE TURNED IN NO LATER THAN NOVEMBER 14, 2012
After this date, no extra credit will be allowed.

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Instructional Approach
Reflective inquiry techniques will be used throughout the course—these techniques require students to actively participate in discussions, formulate thoughts, and present opinions on important topics/issues/concepts. Cooperative learning techniques will complement the reflective inquiry approach. The overall instructional plan of the course is designed to help students develop knowledge, skills, of critical thinking, reflection, and self-assessment. The course will also help students develop their own multicultural competence in working with linguistically diverse children and parents. The course objectives and content are aligned with the State Board of Educator Certification standards for the preparation of bilingual/multicultural teachers developed by the National Association for Bilingual Education (NABE), (Teachers of English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL).

ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE (ESL) STANDARDS
Standard I. The ESL teacher understands fundamental language concepts and knows the structure and conventions of the English language.
Standard II. The ESL teacher has knowledge of the foundations of ESL education and factors that contribute to an effective multicultural and multilingual learning environment.
Standard III. The ESL teacher understands the processes of first- and second-language acquisition and uses this knowledge to promote students’ language development in English.
Standard IV. The ESL teacher understands ESL teaching methods and uses this knowledge to plan and implement effective, developmentally appropriate ESL instruction.
Standard V. The ESL teacher has knowledge of the factors that affect ESL students’ learning of academic content, language, and culture.
Standard VI. The ESL teacher understands formal and informal assessment procedures and instruments (language proficiency and academic achievement) used in ESL programs and uses assessment results to plan and adapt instruction.
Standard VII. The ESL teacher knows how to serve as an advocate for ESL students and facilitate family and community involvement in their education.

BILINGUAL EDUCATION STANDARDS
Standard I. The bilingual education teacher has communicative competence and academic language proficiency in the first language (L1) and in the second language (L2).
Standard II. The bilingual education teacher has knowledge of the foundations of bilingual education and the concepts of bilingualism and biculturalism.
Standard III. The bilingual education teacher knows the process of first- and second-language acquisition and development.
Standard IV. The bilingual education teacher has a comprehensive knowledge of the development and assessment of literacy in the primary language.
Standard V. The bilingual education teacher has a comprehensive knowledge of the development and assessment of biliteracy.
Standard VI. The bilingual education teacher has a comprehensive knowledge of content-area instruction in L1 and L2.
LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY STANDARDS (BILINGUAL VERSION)

**Standard I.** The teacher is able to derive essential information, interpret meaning, and evaluate oral communications in the target language.

**Standard II.** The teacher is able to derive essential information, interpret meaning, and evaluate a variety of authentic materials written in the target language.

**Standard III.** The teacher is able to construct effective interpersonal and presentational oral discourse in the target language.

**Standard IV.** The teacher is able to write effective interpersonal and presentational discourse in the target language.

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INTASC Principles

**Interstate New Teachers Assessment and Support Consortium**

**Principle 1:** Making content meaningful
The teacher understands the central concepts, tools of inquiry, and structures of the discipline(s) he or she teaches and creates learning experiences that make these aspects of subject matter meaningful for students.

**Principle 2:** Child development and learning theory
The teacher understands how children learn and develop and can provide learning opportunities that support their intellectual, social, and personal development.

**Principle 3:** Learning styles/diversity
The teacher understands how students differ in their approaches to learning and creates instructional opportunities that are adapted to diverse learners.

**Principle 4:** Instructional strategies/problem solving
The teacher understands and uses a variety of instructional strategies to encourage students’ development of critical thinking, problem solving, and performance skills.

**Principle 5:** Motivation and behavior
The teacher uses an understanding individual and group motivation and behavior to create a learning environment that encourages positive social interaction, active engagements in learning, and self-motivation.

**Principle 6:** Communication/knowledge
The teacher uses knowledge of effective verbal, nonverbal and media communication techniques to foster active inquiry, collaboration, and supportive interaction in the classroom.

**Principle 7:** Planning for instruction
The teacher plans instruction based upon knowledge of subject matter, students, the community, and curriculum goals.

**Principle 8:** Assessment
The teacher understands and uses formal and informal assessment strategies to evaluate and ensure the continuous intellectual, social, and physical development of the learner.

**Principle 9:** Professional growth/reflection
The teacher is a reflective practitioner who continually evaluates the effects of his or her choices and actions on others (students, parents, and other professionals in the learning community) and who actively seeks out opportunities to grow professionally.

**Principle 10:** Interpersonal relationships
The teacher fosters relationships with school colleagues, parents, and agencies in the larger community to support students’ learning and well being.

**PEDAGOGY AND PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES STANDARDS (EC-GRADE 12)**

**Standard I.** The teacher designs instruction appropriate for all students that reflects an understanding of relevant content and is based on continuous and appropriate assessment.

**Standard II.** The teacher creates a classroom environment of respect and rapport that fosters a positive climate for learning, equity, and excellence.

**Standard III.** The teacher promotes student learning by providing responsive instruction that makes use of effective communication techniques, instructional strategies that actively engage students in the learning process, and timely, high-quality feedback.

**Standard IV.** The teacher fulfills professional roles and responsibilities and adheres to legal and ethical requirements of the profession.

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**Texas Administrative Code**

**TITLE 19** EDUCATION

**PART 7** STATE BOARD FOR EDUCATOR CERTIFICATION

**CHAPTER 247** EDUCATORS' CODE OF ETHICS

**RULE §247.2** Code of Ethics and Standard Practices for Texas Educators

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Enforceable Standards.

(1) Professional Ethical Conduct, Practices and Performance.

(A) Standard 1.1. The educator shall not intentionally, knowingly, or recklessly engage in deceptive practices regarding official policies of the school district, educational institution, educator preparation program, the Texas Education Agency, or the State Board for Educator Certification (SBEC) and its certification process.

(B) Standard 1.2. The educator shall not knowingly misappropriate, divert, or use monies, personnel, property, or equipment committed to his or her charge for personal gain or advantage.
(C) Standard 1.3. The educator shall not submit fraudulent requests for reimbursement, expenses, or pay.

(D) Standard 1.4. The educator shall not use institutional or professional privileges for personal or partisan advantage.

(E) Standard 1.5. The educator shall neither accept nor offer gratuities, gifts, or favors that impair professional judgment or to obtain special advantage. This standard shall not restrict the acceptance of gifts or tokens offered and accepted openly from students, parents of students, or other persons or organizations in recognition or appreciation of service.

(F) Standard 1.6. The educator shall not falsify records, or direct or coerce others to do so.

(G) Standard 1.7. The educator shall comply with state regulations, written local school board policies, and other state and federal laws.

(H) Standard 1.8. The educator shall apply for, accept, offer, or assign a position or a responsibility on the basis of professional qualifications.

(I) Standard 1.9. The educator shall not make threats of violence against school district employees, school board members, students, or parents of students.

(J) Standard 1.10. The educator shall be of good moral character and be worthy to instruct or supervise the youth of this state.

(K) Standard 1.11. The educator shall not intentionally or knowingly misrepresent his or her employment history, criminal history, and/or disciplinary record when applying for subsequent employment.

(L) Standard 1.12. The educator shall refrain from the illegal use or distribution of controlled substances and/or abuse of prescription drugs and toxic inhalants.

(M) Standard 1.13. The educator shall not consume alcoholic beverages on school property or during school activities when students are present.

(2) Ethical Conduct Toward Professional Colleagues.

(A) Standard 2.1. The educator shall not reveal confidential health or personnel information concerning colleagues unless disclosure serves lawful professional purposes or is required by law.

(B) Standard 2.2. The educator shall not harm others by knowingly making false statements about a colleague or the school system.

(C) Standard 2.3. The educator shall adhere to written local school board policies and state and federal laws regarding the hiring, evaluation, and dismissal of personnel.

(D) Standard 2.4. The educator shall not interfere with a colleague's exercise of political, professional, or citizenship rights and responsibilities.

(E) Standard 2.5. The educator shall not discriminate against or coerce a colleague on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, age, gender, disability, family status, or sexual orientation.

(F) Standard 2.6. The educator shall not use coercive means or promise of special treatment in order to influence professional decisions or colleagues.

(G) Standard 2.7. The educator shall not retaliate against any individual who has filed a complaint with the SBEC or who provides information for a disciplinary investigation or proceeding under this chapter.

(3) Ethical Conduct Toward Students.

(A) Standard 3.1. The educator shall not reveal confidential information concerning students unless disclosure serves lawful professional purposes or is required by law.

(B) Standard 3.2. The educator shall not intentionally, knowingly, or recklessly treat a student
or minor in a manner that adversely affects or endangers the learning, physical health, mental health, or safety of the student or minor.

(C) Standard 3.3. The educator shall not intentionally, knowingly, or recklessly misrepresent facts regarding a student.

(D) Standard 3.4. The educator shall not exclude a student from participation in a program, deny benefits to a student, or grant an advantage to a student on the basis of race, color, gender, disability, national origin, religion, family status, or sexual orientation.

(E) Standard 3.5. The educator shall not intentionally, knowingly, or recklessly engage in physical mistreatment, neglect, or abuse of a student or minor.

(F) Standard 3.6. The educator shall not solicit or engage in sexual conduct or a romantic relationship with a student or minor.

(G) Standard 3.7. The educator shall not furnish alcohol or illegal/unauthorized drugs to any person under 21 years of age unless the educator is a parent or guardian of that child or knowingly allow any person under 21 years of age unless the educator is a parent or guardian of that child to consume alcohol or illegal/unauthorized drugs in the presence of the educator.

(H) Standard 3.8. The educator shall maintain appropriate professional educator-student relationships and boundaries based on a reasonably prudent educator standard.

(I) Standard 3.9. The educator shall refrain from inappropriate communication with a student or minor, including, but not limited to, electronic communication such as cell phone, text messaging, email, instant messaging, blogging, or other social network communication. Factors that may be considered in assessing whether the communication is inappropriate include, but are not limited to:

(i) the nature, purpose, timing, and amount of the communication;
(ii) the subject matter of the communication;
(iii) whether the communication was made openly or the educator attempted to conceal the communication;
(iv) whether the communication could be reasonably interpreted as soliciting sexual contact or a romantic relationship;
(v) whether the communication was sexually explicit; and
(vi) whether the communication involved discussion(s) of the physical or sexual attractiveness or the sexual history, activities, preferences, or fantasies of either the educator or the student.

Source Note: The provisions of this §247.2 adopted to be effective March 1, 1998, 23 TexReg 1022; amended to be effective August 22, 2002, 27 TexReg 7530; amended to be effective December 26, 2010, 35 TexReg 11242

SOCIAL STUDIES GENERALIST EC–6 STANDARDS

Standard I. The social studies teacher has a comprehensive knowledge of the social sciences and recognizes the value of the social sciences in society and the world.

Standard II. The social studies teacher effectively integrates the various social science disciplines.

Standard III. The social studies teacher uses knowledge and skills of social studies, as defined by the Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS), to plan and implement effective curriculum, instruction, assessment, and evaluation.

Standard IV. History: The social studies teacher applies knowledge of significant historical events and developments, as well as multiple historical interpretations and ideas, to facilitate student understanding of relationships between the past, the present, and the future.

Standard V. Geography: The social studies teacher applies knowledge of people, places, and
environments to facilitate students’ understanding of geographic relationships in Texas, the United States, and the world.

**Standard VI. Economics:** The social studies teacher knows how people organize economic systems to produce, distribute, and consume goods and services, and uses this knowledge to enable students to understand economic systems and make informed economic decisions.

**Standard VII. Government:** The social studies teacher knows how governments and structures of power function, provide order, and allocate resources, and uses this knowledge to facilitate student understanding of how individuals and groups achieve their goals through political systems.

**Standard VIII. Citizenship:** The social studies teacher understands citizenship in the United States and other societies, and uses this knowledge to prepare students to participate in our society through an understanding of democratic principles and citizenship practices.

**Standard IX. Culture:** The social studies teacher understands cultures and how they develop and adapt, and uses this knowledge to enable students to appreciate and respect cultural diversity in Texas, the United States, and the world.

**Standard X. Science, Technology, and Society:** The social studies teacher understands developments in science and technology, and uses this knowledge to facilitate student understanding of the social and environmental consequences of scientific discovery and technological innovation.
University Policies and Procedures

Students with Disabilities (ADA Compliance):
The University of North Texas Dallas is on record as being committed to both the spirit and letter of federal equal opportunity legislation; reference Public Law 92-112 – The Rehabilitation Act of 1973 as amended. With the passage of new federal legislation entitled Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), pursuant to section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act, there is renewed focus on providing this population with the same opportunities enjoyed by all citizens.

As a faculty member, I am required by law to provide "reasonable accommodations" to students with disabilities, so as not to discriminate on the basis of that disability. Student responsibility primarily rests with informing faculty of their need for accommodation and in providing authorized documentation through designated administrative channels. For more information, you may visit the Student Life Office, Suite 200, Building 2 or call 972-780-3632.

The Department of Teacher Education and Administration is committed to full academic access for all qualified students, including those with disabilities. In keeping with this commitment and in order to facilitate equality of educational access, faculty members in the department will make reasonable accommodations for qualified students with a disability, such as appropriate adjustments to the classroom environment and the teaching, testing, or learning methodologies when doing so does not fundamentally alter the course.

If you have a disability, it is your responsibility to obtain verifying information from the Office of Student Life and to inform me of your need for an accommodation. Grades assigned before an accommodation is provided will not be changed. Information about how to obtain academic accommodations can be found in UNTD Policy 7.004, Disability Accommodations for Students, and by visiting Student Life, building 2, Suite 200. 972-780-3632, studentlife@unt.edu.

Student Evaluation of Teaching Effectiveness Policy:
The Student Evaluation of Teaching Effectiveness (SETE) is a requirement for all organized classes at UNT. This short survey will be made available to you at the end of the semester, providing you a chance to comment on how this class is taught. I am very interested in the feedback I get from students, as I work to continually improve my teaching. I consider the SETE to be an important part of your participation in this class.

Assignment Policy:

Exam Policy: Exams should be taken as scheduled. Missed Exams

Academic Integrity:
Academic integrity is a hallmark of higher education. You are expected to abide by the University’s code of conduct and Academic Dishonesty policy. Any person suspected of academic dishonesty (i.e., cheating or plagiarism) will be
handled in accordance with the University’s policies and procedures. Refer to the Student Code of Conduct at http://www.unt.edu/csrr/student_conduct/index.html for complete provisions of this code.

Bad Weather Policy:
On those days that present severe weather and driving conditions, a decision may be made to close the campus. In case of inclement weather, call UNT Dallas Campuses main voicemail number (972) 780-3600 or search postings on the campus website www.unt.edu/dallas. Students are encouraged to update their Eagle Alert contact information, so they will receive this information automatically.

Attendance and Participation Policy:
The University attendance policy is in effect for this course. Class attendance and participation is expected because the class is designed as a shared learning experience and because essential information not in the textbook will be discussed in class. The dynamic and intensive nature of this course makes it impossible for students to make-up or to receive credit for missed classes. Attendance and participation in all class meetings is essential to the integration of course material and your ability to demonstrate proficiency. Students are responsible to notify the instructor if they are missing class and for what reason. Students are also responsible to make up any work covered in class. It is recommended that each student coordinate with a student colleague to obtain a copy of the class notes, if they are absent.

Diversity/Tolerance Policy:
Students are encouraged to contribute their perspectives and insights to class discussions. However, offensive & inappropriate language (swearing) and remarks offensive to others of particular nationalities, ethnic groups, sexual preferences, religious groups, genders, or other ascribed statuses will not be tolerated. Disruptions which violate the Code of Student Conduct will be referred to the Center for Student Rights and Responsibilities as the instructor deems appropriate.

COLLECTION OF STUDENT WORK SAMPLES POLICY
In order to monitor students’ achievement and improve its instructional programs, the Department of Teacher Education and Administration collects random, anonymous student work samples to be analyzed by internal and external reviewers.

COMPREHENSIVE ARTS PROGRAM POLICY
The Elementary Education program area supports a comprehensive arts program to assist pre-service and in-service teachers to design and implement curricular and instructional activities which infuse all areas of the arts (visual, music, theater, and movement) throughout the elementary and middle school curriculum.

TECHNOLOGY INTEGRATION POLICY
The Elementary Education program area supports technology integration to assist pre-service and in-service teachers to design and implement curricular and instruction activities which infuse technology throughout the elementary and middle school curriculum.

Class Policies:

Professionalism and leadership
As a profession, teachers call on practitioners to meet high ethical standards, to find constructive ways to deal with problems and to offer appropriate support with colleagues. Leadership means being a member of the team who accepts responsibility without being bossy and helps colleagues without doing their work for them.
Students are expected to show professionalism and respect for classmates and instructors by: not chewing gum while presenting in front of peers, not reading from cell phones, not texting in class, not using ipods in class.

Dealing with concerns
If you have issues about the instructor, make an appointment with the instructor or visit him/her during office hours to discuss and resolve your concerns. If you have issues related to classmates, talk to the classmate involved first to resolve the issues. If needed, then go to the instructor for final resolution.

CONCEPTUAL FRAMEWORK
The Educator as Agent of Engaged Learning
Improving the quality of education in Texas schools and elsewhere is the goal of program for the education of educators at the University of North Texas. To achieve this goal, programs leading to teacher certification and advanced program for educators at the University of North Texas 1) emphasize content, curricular, and pedagogical knowledge acquired through research and informed practice of the academic disciplines, 2) incorporate the Texas Teacher Proficiencies for learner-centered education, 3) feature collaboration across the university and with schools and other agencies in the design and delivery of programs, and 4) respond to the rapid demographic, social, and technological change in the United States and the world.

The educator as agent of engaged learning summarizes the conceptual framework for UNT’s basic and advanced programs. This phrase reflects the directed action that arises from simultaneous commitment to academic knowledge bases and to learner centered practice. “Engaged learning” signifies the deep interaction with worthwhile and appropriate content that occurs for each student in the classrooms of caring and competent educators. “Engaged learning” features the on-going interchange between teacher and student about knowledge and between school and community about what is worth knowing. This conceptual framework recognizes the relationship between UNT and the larger community in promoting the commitment of a diverse citizenry to life-long learning. In our work of developing educators as agents of engaged learning, we value the contributions of professional development schools and other partners and seek collaborations which advance active, meaningful, and continuous learning.

Seeing the engaged learner at the heart of a community that includes educators in various roles, we have chosen to describe each program of educator preparation at UNT with reference to the following key concepts, which are briefly defined below.

1. Content and curricular knowledge refer to the grounding of the educator in content knowledge and knowledge construction and in making meaningful to learners the content of the PreK-16 curriculum.

2. Knowledge of teaching and assessment refers to the ability of the educator to plan, implement, and assess instruction in ways that consistently engage learners or, in advanced programs, to provide leadership for development of programs that promote engagement of learners.

3. Promotion of equity for all learners refers to the skills and attitudes that enable the educator to advocate for all students within the framework of the school program.

4. Encouragement of diversity refers to the ability of the educator to appreciate and affirm formally and informally the various cultural heritages, unique endowments, learning styles, interests, and needs of learners.

5. Professional communication refers to effective interpersonal and professional oral and written communication that includes appropriate applications of information technology.

6. Engaged professional learning refers to the educator’s commitment to ethical practice and to continued learning and professional development.

Through the experiences required in each UNT program of study, we expect that basic and advanced students will acquire the knowledge, skills, and dispositions appropriate to the educational role for which they are preparing or in which they are developing expertise.

A broad community stands behind and accepts responsibility for every engaged learner. UNT supports the work of PreK-16 communities through basic and advanced programs for professional educators and by promoting public understanding of issues in education.
NEW EDUCATOR STANDARDS:
The content and objectives of this course are aligned with the standards of the ESL and Bilingual Education certification programs at UNT:

**Standard 2.b Cultural Groups and Identity**
Candidates know, understand, and use the major concepts, principles, theories, and research related to the nature and role of culture and cultural groups to construct learning environments that support ESOL students’ cultural identities, language and literacy development, and content area achievement.

**State ESL Standard II.** The ESL teacher has knowledge of the foundations of ESL education and factors that contribute to an effective multicultural and multilingual learning environment.

**State ESL Standard V.** The ESL teacher has knowledge of the factors that affect ESL students’ learning of academic content, language, and culture.

**TEXES Professional Preparation and Responsibilities Competency 002**
The teacher understands student diversity and knows how to plan learning experiences and design assessments that are responsive to differences among students and that promote all students’ learning.

**Use of WebCT/Blackboard**
Students will use Technology to complete assignments. Blackboard is the medium selected for this course. Assignments will be submitted under the tab “Assignments”— electronic copy (Blackboard) and hard copy (instructor) on dates assigned.

**Required Reading**
It is expected that students come to class with all assigned reading completed. The reading assignments provide a background for class discussion and activities. It is imperative to keep up with the reading. You are in charge to read each chapter as scheduled.

**Community service learning**
*This course requires 18 hours of community service learning/observations/case study*

**Written Work**
All written work is expected to be of professional quality. Spelling, grammar, sentence structure, paragraphing, etc. are factors in the grade you will receive for a written assignment. All work is expected to be original, or referenced fully. If there is a question regarding the originality of your work, university plagiarism procedures will be followed. Further information about plagiarism, consult UNT policy book. Out of compliance with this policy will result in a one letter grade lower for each assignment and final grade.

**Attendance Policy**
Attendance is very important in this class. A great deal of information is covered in a short amount of time. Please call or email in advance of class if you are not able to attend. Even when you call or email about your absences, 10 points will be deducted from your final grade.
Use of CELL PHONE, TEXTING, and other Electronic Gadgets in the Classroom

Cell phones must be turned off during the whole lecture period. No texting or ringers will be allowed during lecture time. Phones are to be kept out of sight. Texting is not allowed at any time during class time and no other electronic gadgets will be allowed during class time.

Other Business

Any other business unrelated to the class such as lectures or class activities need to be kept outside the classroom (e.g., planning a wedding, making appointments with friends, reading the newspaper during class, falling asleep, etc.).

Use of Laptops

To avoid conflict and misuse of the Internet-wireless during class time, laptops will not be allowed during lectures unless an assignment or activity requires its use during class.

Grade incomplete – “I”

No incomplete grade will be granted.

Using APA style

All written assignments will be typed-computer-black ink, following APA 6th Ed. Guidelines.

The following sentences present a sample of the type of font and size for all written required assignments. Each assignment will have a cover page with the following information:

Full name, email, class number and section, assignment descriptor, and date. Ten (10) points will be deducted from the final grade for each assignment that does not follow properly the requirements, English writing spelling, grammar, sentence structure, paragraphing, etc. Written documents should follow APA style, 1’ x 1’ margins, Times Roman, size 12 font, double spaced. I highly suggest proofreading all documents prior to submission. No exceptions!!

References


Alvarez, J. (2002). Before we were free (1st ed.). New York: A. Knopf.


