

California State University San Marcos: College of Education

EDUC E422 - Technology Tools for Teaching and Learning

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Course Description

This three unit course partially fulfills the technology competencies as identified by the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing (CCTC) and the College of Education's Teacher Performance Expectations (TPEs) in technology, and being considered for satisfying the Computer Integration Requirement (CIR) for the Liberal Studies Program. This course is designed for teacher candidates who have met the campus-wide Computer Competency Requirement (CCR) and anticipate entrance into the teacher preparation program.

This course focuses on the knowledge and skill necessary to apply education-oriented applications including productivity tools, graphic organizers, databases, spreadsheets, presentation tools, school-appropriate multimedia tools, and communication tools. This course prepares teacher candidates to apply specific educational technology-based applications in methods courses for implementation in teaching and learning with students as well as to their own professional growth. When entering the teacher education program, College of Education faculty assume teacher candidates have competency in the applications covered in this course, and therefore, will make assignments requiring teacher candidates to apply these skills.

Teacher Performance Expectation (TPE) Competencies

This course is designed to help teachers seeking the Multiple and Single Subjects Credential to develop the skills, knowledge, and attitudes necessary to assist schools and districts in implementing an effective program for students. The successful candidate will be able to merge theory and practice in order to realize a comprehensive and extensive educational program for all students. The following TPEs are addressed in this Class

Primary Emphasis: TPE 14 CSUSM Educational Technology (Based on ISTE NETS)

I. Technology Operations and Concepts: Teachers demonstrate a sound understanding of technology operations and concepts. Teachers:

- A. Demonstrate introductory knowledge, skills, and understanding of concepts related to technology (as described in the ISTE national Education Technology Standards for Students).
- B. Demonstrate continual growth in technology knowledge and skills to stay abreast of current and emerging technologies

V. Productivity and Professional Practice: Teachers use technology to enhance their productivity and professional practice. Teachers:

- A. Use technology resources to engage in ongoing professional development and lifelong learning.
- B. Continually evaluate and reflect on professional practice to make informed decisions regarding the use of technology in support of student learning.
- C. Apply technology to increase productivity.
- D. Use technology to communicate and collaborate with peers, parents, and the larger community in order to nurture student learning.

VI. Social, Ethical, Legal, and Human Issues: Teachers understand the social, ethical, legal, and human issues surrounding the use of technology in PK-12 schools and apply those principles in practice. Teachers:

- A. Model and teach legal and ethical practice related to technology use.
- B. Apply technology resources to enable and empower learners with diverse backgrounds, characteristics, and abilities.
- C. Identify and use technology resources that affirm diversity.
- D. Promote safe and healthy use of technology resources.
- E. Facilitate equitable access to technology resources for all students.

Secondary Emphasis:

TPE 4 - Making Content Accessible

TPE 5 - Student Engagement

TPE 6 - Developmentally Appropriate Teaching Practices

TPE 7 - Teaching English Language Learners

TPE 12 - Professional, Legal, and Ethical

TPE 13 - Professional Growth

Course Objectives: Teacher Candidates will demonstrate competency in:

1. Meeting the ISTE Standards I,V, VI outlined above
2. Using a set of educational technology tools that are applied in teaching and learning within the credential program and used in public school settings; and
3. Setting up an electronic portfolio for completion in the CSUSM teacher credentialing program.

Prerequisites

The prerequisite for this course is completion of the campus-wide computer competency requirement. This can be fulfilled by successful completion of one of the following:

Taking the CSUSM CCR assessment or equivalent course.

Completion of an approved computer literacy course at the community college level.

Required Supplies

1. ISTE/CUE Student Membership (<http://www.iste.org/cue/>) - \$45.00/year
2. 50 page Spiral Notebook - \$1.00
3. 1 Mass Storage Device, either a:
At least 100 MB Zip Disk - \$10
At least 128 MB USB key drive - \$60
I recommend either the Lexar (Fry's) or the Pen Drive (Radio Shack)
4. At least two CD-R or CD-RW (1x - 8x speed) disks for the portfolio at the end of the semester
5. Pay for Print Card: May be purchased in Academic Hall 202

The spiral notebook and the mass storage device will be required every class. You will need to sign up for your ISTE/CUE Student Membership within the first week of class in order to keep up with the reading assignments.

Assessment

In order to successfully complete this course, the assignments must be completed with at least at an acceptable level noted on assignment rubrics. In addition to the assignments described below, performance assessment on the teacher candidate's ability to perform tasks using the software will be assessed. Because the content of this course contributes to passage of multiple TPEs, successful completion is imperative. Failure to successfully complete this course will prohibit a teacher candidate from continuing in the program beyond the first semester. The percentage of weight of each assignment is noted next the description of the topic.

Course Content

The following themes will be address in the process of the course. Assignments relating to demonstrating competency in operating each of the educational tools will be assessed.

Descriptions of the assignments will be available on WebCT.

Theme One: Productivity & Professional Practice 30%

Journal 1-50 points

Excel Project-30 points

Newsletter -30 points

Backflip Links-15 points

PowerPoint-15 points

Web Page-30 points

Midterm-100 points

Letter of Introduction-10 points

Internet Activity-20 points

Total-300 points

Theme Two: Education Specific Software 30%

Software Evaluation Project-200 points

Inspiration/Kidspiration Project-50 points

Journal 2-50 points

Total-300 points

Theme Three: Portfolio 30%

Position Paper Proposal-15 points

Position Paper-100 points

Copyright/Fair Use Project-35 points

Portfolio-150 points

Total-300 points

Class Investment (Attendance, participation and attitude) 10%

Your investment in this class is demonstrated through regular, prompt class attendance and participation; through active, constructive and creative contributions (both online and in class); and through participation in cooperative, collaborative learning.

100 Points

Homework

Because of the interactive nature of the class, students will be expected to have their assignments completed and turned in on time. All assignments are due at the beginning of the class period. Late assignments will only be accepted if there are extenuating circumstances approved by the instructor.

Grading and Assignments

Final grade will be based on a percent of total points according to this scale:

94-100=A 90-93=A-

87-89=B+ 84-86=B 80-83=B-

77-79=C+ 74-76=C 70-73=C-

60-69=D below 60=F

College of Education Attendance Policy: "Due to the dynamic and interactive nature of courses in the College of Education, all students are expected to attend all classes and participate actively. At a minimum, students must attend more than 80% of class time, or s/he may not receive a passing grade for the course at the discretion of the instructor. Individual instructors may adopt more stringent attendance requirements. Should the student have extenuating circumstances, s/he should contact the instructor as soon as possible."

Attendance and Participation

A good student (and soon to be teacher) is one who adheres to standards of dependability and promptness. If more than 2 class sessions are missed or there is tardiness (or leave early) for more than 3 sessions, the teacher candidate cannot receive an A. If more than 3 class sessions are missed the grade earned cannot exceed a C. Late assignments will be penalized. If extraordinary circumstances occur, please make an effort to contact the instructor. **Remember that communication is the key to success in this class and as a teacher.** Students are required to use WebCT email and check it at least two times per week to communicate with instructor and peers.

Plagiarism and Cheating

You have decided to become a teacher. You are willingly becoming a role model. You are going to be held to a higher standard than most professions. Academic dishonesty will not be tolerated and will result in a failing grade for this course and will be reported to the University. This shouldn't even be an issue now that you have chosen to become a teacher.

Authorization to Teach English Language learners

The CSUSM credential program has been specifically designed to prepare teachers for the diversity of languages often encountered in California public school classrooms. The authorization to teach English learners is met through the infusion of content and experiences within the credential program as well as additional coursework. Students successfully completing this program receive a credential with authorization to teach English Learners. (Approved by CCTC in SB2042 Program Standards, August 2002)

Disable Student Services

Students with disabilities who require academic accommodations must be approved for services by providing appropriate and recent documentation to the Office of Disabled Student Services (DDS). This office is located in Craven Hall 5205 and can be contacted by phone at (760)750-4905, or TDD (760)750-4909. Students authorized by DSS to receive accommodations should meet with the instructor during office hours or by appointment.