# CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, SAN MARCOS COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

# EDMS 555 Elementary Multicultural Education UNIV 440 Mondays 8:00 A.M. to 2:15 P.M.

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#### **COLLEGE OF EDUCATION MISSION STATEMENT**

The mission of the College of Education Community is to collaboratively transform public education by preparing thoughtful educators advancing professional practices. We are committed to *diversity*, *educational equity*, *and social justice*, exemplified through reflective teaching, life-long learning, innovative research and on-going service. Our practices demonstrate a commitment to student-centered education, diversity, collaboration, professionalism, and shared governance. (Adopted by COE Governance Community, October, 1997).

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION

This course addresses the needs of school teachers faced with the growing diversity that exists in today's classrooms. As such, it will focus on bilingual sociolinguistic/sociocultural competence and implications for learning and instruction, application of effective alternative instructional practices, cultural aspects of English learners, as well as effective and appropriate English language development (ELD) techniques and successful bilingual, multilingual education for language minority students.

In this class prospective teachers gain knowledge and understanding pertaining to similarities and differences between, contributions of, exchanges between, and the varying perspectives of the populations referenced in the *Non-Discrimination Policy of the State of California*.

#### **Course prerequisites**

Admission to the College of Education.

#### **Course Objectives**

- 1) You will have opportunities to become familiar with basic terms, philosophies, problems, issues, history, and practices related to the education of language minority persons in California and the US.
- 2) You will have opportunities to demonstrate understanding of the most important goals of bilingual/multicultural education.
- 3) You will have opportunities to explain the theoretical framework upon which bilingual education is founded.
- 4) You will have opportunities to demonstrate understanding of existing student identification, assessment, and language redesignation requirements for the state of California.
- 5) You will have opportunities to explain the connections between bilingual education, English as a second language, SDAIE and other pertinent methodologies.
- 6) You will demonstrate several models of multicultural education and their implications for curriculum, instruction, and educational policy.

- 7) You will have opportunities to explain the meaning of culture, differentiated index, the necessity for cultural convergence in schools, and other research-based related notions of multicultural education.
- 8) You will learn to develop and understand each individual student, create a more just and humane learning environment, and help students in their growth and development as human beings.

#### **Authorization to Teach English Learners**

Beginning fall of 2002, CSUSM an early adopter of the new AB 2042 program standards, intends to prepare new 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 Multiple Subject Program, as well as additional coursework. Students successfully completing this program receive the Preliminary Multiple Subject Credential with authorization to teach English learners (note: formerly called CLAD/ Approved by the CCTC in SB 2042 Program Standards, August 2002).

#### **Teacher Performance Expectation (TPE) Competencies**

This course is designed to help teachers seeking the Multiple Subjects Credential to develop the skills, knowledge, and attitudes necessary to assist schools and districts in implementing effective programs for all 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. Look for the green TPEs embedded in your assignments and class work. You will be required to formally address the following TPEs in this course by writing task stream reflections on each as part of your final assignment:

**Primary Emphasis:** 

**TPE 7:** Teaching English Learners

**Secondary Emphasis:** 

**TPE 15**: Social Justice and Equity

#### Students with Disabilities Requiring Reasonable Accommodations

Students must be approved for services by providing appropriate and recent documentation to the Office of Disable Student Services (DSS). This office is located in Craven Hall 5205, and can be contacted by phone at (760) 750-4905, or TTY (760) 750-4909. Students authorized by DSS to receive reasonable accommodations should meet with their instructor during office hours or, in order to ensure confidentiality, in a more private setting.

#### **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, a student 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. <u>Individual instructors may adopt more stringent attendance requirements</u>. Should the student have extenuating circumstances, s/he should contact the instructor as soon as possible. (Adopted by the COE Governance Community, December, 1997.)

#### You cannot receive an "A" in this course if you miss more than two class sessions.

8 sessions: Miss an entire class session once and you will not receive an "A-". Miss any part of class sessions twice you will not receive an "A-". Your grade will automatically drop to a "C" if you miss an entire class session and any part of another class session. Your grade will automatically drop to a "C" if you miss any part of a class session 3 times. If you miss more than what is needed for a "C," you will receive a failing grade.

#### **Unique Course Requirements**

In an effort to save paper and cut down on copy costs, there is an E-component to this course. As a result, some or parts of class meetings may take place on Taskstream OR WebCT Coursemail, Discussion Boards, or Chat Rooms per the Professors discretion. Your careful time management and attention during face-to-face class meetings will ensure this component of the class go smoothly for you.

Some assignments may incorporate experiences from your assigned student teaching school site. Please make arrangements with cooperating teachers as necessary.

#### **Required Text**

Peregoy, S. F. & Boyle, O. F. (2005) *Reading, Writing, & Learning in ESL* (4<sup>th</sup> Edition). Longman.

Selected articles as links in **Session Activity Listing** (a separate course document).

TaskStream account.

#### **Course Requirements**

Assignments, DUE DATES, and Beginning Point Values

#### 1. Attendance (15), Disposition (7.5), and Class Participation (7.5)

30 points

First is the expectation you will attend all class sessions and participate actively in class activities, group and individual sharing, and discussions. Remember, if you miss three class sessions (or more), you will automatically lose between 30 and 40 points, dropping your grade to the C range, based on the COE attendance policy.

#### 2. Course rationale E-Discussion Board (due by beg. of 2nd class)

10 points

Taskstream OR WebCT Discussion Boards are one way for learning communities to entertain and respond to questions, reflections, insights, or concerns regarding course content. They also facilitate relationships between students and professors. Your peers or course professor will respond to your discussion with clarifying questions to further your thinking process.

There will be TWO opportunities for you to participate on Taskstream OR WebCT this way. On one occasion you will initiate discussion, on the other you will be a respondent. The Professor will assign roles prior to the assignment being due.

Discussion Board content will consist of 1 to 2 paragraph "conversations" based primarily on course readings and class discussions from the first class meeting.

Discussions may include the following:

- Summaries, descriptions, or reactions to topics discussed in class or from readings reflecting understanding of key concepts. Both comments from Professor and other students may be reflected in the reading logs.
  - Entries will be graded according to comprehensiveness, insightful connections, and "deep understanding" of the issues.

You are responsible for providing a printed version of each one of your entries/responses in your final learning portfolio (Due last class meeting).

#### 3. Methods Workshop Presentation (due by beg. of 4th class)

10 points

This is your second opportunity to use Tasktream OR WebCT Discussion Boards. Use Pedagogical theory readings and class discussion as content for your discussions.

### 4. Multicultural/Multilingual Research Review (Due ongoing beg. 3<sup>rd</sup> class)

20 points

- This assignment is to be completed in pairs or triads.
- For this assignment you are each to go to the CSUSM Library website, find and select two journal articles published in the last 5 years on Multicultural, Bilingual, or Multilingual Elementary Education. I will model this exercise in class.
- You will **read two** articles of those selected and provide a **one page summary including a one paragraph reaction to each piece**.
- Refer to the APA website for correct electronic reference listing at http://www.apastyle.org/elecsource.html.
- As a group you will be expected to present a 5 minute quick-talk on one of your articles during the course of the semester.
- No duplicate articles are allowed.
- 15 points are allotted for each written review and 5 points are for your presentation.
- Following each presentation, your peers will assess your presentation quality and provide verbal feedback. I will provide immediate feedback as well.
- You will be selected randomly to present your articles beginning the third class meeting.
   Please be prepared.

## 5. Literature-based Social Justice Thematic Unit (Due beg. 7<sup>th</sup> class)

30 points

#### Part I: Critical Assessment Task (CATs) (15 pts)

- In groups of 3-4 (NO EXCEPTIONS), you will have the opportunity to develop a literature-based social justice and equity thematic unit that will include appropriate literature selections reflecting multicultural perspectives for students in grades K-2, 3-6, or 7-8.
- Choose six powerful children's multicultural selections that should be the center of curriculum focused on social justice and equity issues.
- This plan should include an **outline of how the multicultural books will be used** and a justification (explanation) of the selections made.
- At least three of the books must be bilingual (English and another language) with a brief discussion of how "primary language support" will be incorporated into the unit.
- Using the books as your foundation, write **four** detailed reading and writing lesson plans that will clearly delineate how every child will be successful by providing universal access to diverse students (e.g., gifted, English learners, special needs, non-readers, poor).
- AT LEAST ONE LESSON MUST BE SDAIE IN NATURE.

- Applying the CULTURALLY RESPONSIVE METHODOLOGY criteria discussed AND PRESENTED DURING THE WORKSHOP, include METHODS SPECIFIC activities in your comprehensive lesson plans, AND IDENTIFY THE METHOD USED.
- Ask yourselves the following questions about each one of your original lesson plans:
  - Does the lesson use visuals, manipulatives, realia, drama, or other techniques that would facilitate understanding?
  - Does the lesson take into consideration the varying English proficiencies of language minority students?
  - Do the lesson strategies incorporate group collaboration, cooperative learning activities, peer assistance, or other work-group techniques?
  - o Does the lesson incorporate the language and culture of language minority students?
  - o Is the curriculum reflected in the lesson challenging and not watered-down?
  - Does the lesson include the 7-Intelligences and/or multiple modalities?
  - Are the community/parents of English learners included in the unit of study?

#### The format of the literature-based social justice and equity thematic unit should include:

- 1. Focus of the unit and brief summary of each book.
- 2. Grade level this unit is appropriate for.
- 3. Reading and writing lesson plan that will identify standards being covered.
- 4. Identify Assessment strategies: How you will determine students learned what you intended? (How will you assess them?)
- 5. Primary language support component of the unit plan.
- 6. Appropriate accommodations and support for the wide variety of students in CA classrooms (be specific).

#### Part II: Presentation Sessions (30 minutes each group) (5 pts)

There will be opportunities for each group to present/display their literature selections and/or units and PowerPoint lesson demonstrations (CATs). Other class members will listen/ participate to the discussions.

Note: Dr. Alice Quiocho has developed an excellent website with a bibliography of children's literature and multicultural books that could be a great resource for you (<a href="http://www.csusm.edu/Quiocho">http://www.csusm.edu/Quiocho</a>).

#### Part III: Task Stream Self Reflection/ Assessment (10 pts)

As part of this assignment you will respond to TPEs 7 and 15 on Task Stream as discussed in class. You will not receive full points if you do not respond to Task Stream by the last class session, FIRM.

#### **Grading Standards**

In this class, all students begin with 100 points. Points will be deducted from your total, based on the quality of the work you turn in for each assignment.

In addition, all students are expected to participate in class activities and demonstrate reflective learning. It is important that students are well prepared for course sessions by completing the readings and assignments scheduled before class meetings. Unless otherwise negotiated with the instructor, all assignments are to be submitted as specified in class on the due date. **Assignments not submitted on due date will lose 10% of earned credit per day.** Assignments should be typed and double-spaced. Hard copies of assignments will be student or peer evaluated and turned in at the end of the semester in a final learning portfolio due **last class meeting.** 

The following grading scale will be used with the points students have remaining at the end of class:

93-100% 90-92%	A A-	88-89% 83-87% 80-82%	B+ B B-	75-79%	C+
72-75 70-71	C C-	60-69%	D	59% and below	F

**Note:** Students are reminded that the College requires completion of this course with a C+ or higher.

#### **All University Writing Requirement**

Writing requirements for this class will be met as described in the assignments above. Every course at the university, including this one, must have a writing requirement of at least 2500 words. TPE reflection will count toward this requirement.

#### **CSUSM Academic Honesty Policy**

"Students will be expected to adhere to standards of academic honesty and integrity, as outlined in the Student Academic Honesty Policy. All written work and oral assignments must be original work. All ideas/materials that are borrowed from other sources must have appropriate references to the original sources. Any quoted material should give credit to the source and be punctuated with quotation marks.

Students are responsible for honest completion of their work including examinations. There will be no tolerance for infractions. If you believe there has been an infraction by someone in the class, please bring it to the instructor's attention. The instructor reserves the right to discipline any student for academic dishonesty in accordance with the general rules and regulations of the university. Disciplinary action may include the lowering of grades and/or the assignment of a failing grade for an exam, assignment, or the class as a whole."

#### **OTHER CONSIDERATIONS**

#### **Academic Honesty**

I expect that each student will do his/her own work, and contribute equally to group projects and processes. Plagiarism or cheating is unacceptable under any circumstance. If you are in doubt about whether your work is paraphrased or plagiarized see the Plagiarism Prevention for Students website <a href="http://courses.csusm.edu/sthompsn/plagiarism/about\_site.html">http://courses.csusm.edu/sthompsn/plagiarism/about\_site.html</a>. If there are questions about academic honesty, please consult the University catalog.

#### **Appeals**

Every student has the right to appeal grades, or appeal for redress of grievances incurred in the context of any class. Disputes may be resolved informally with the professor, or through the formal grades appeal process. For the latter, consult Dr. P. Kelly, Interim Associate Dean.

All assignments are due on the dates indicated below (also indicated on the course weekly activity listing). On the due date, credit for completion will be recorded. At the end of the course, your learning portfolios with each assignment and self-assessments will be turned in to me. You are responsible for keeping your work organized and ready for final presentation and evaluation. Please manage your time and plan accordingly. Assignments must be word processed/ typewritten, double-spaced, with standard margins, unless completed in class. It is expected that all assignments will reflect university level composition.

#### **Course Outline**

**NOTE:** THE PROFESSOR RESERVES THE RIGHT TO CHANGE, ADD TO, OR DELETE ANY MATERIAL FROM THE COURSE.

Session	Topic	Assignment	
Session 1	Revisiting Notions of Diversity: What's up with the Achievement Gap?	Readings as assigned.	
Session 2	Course Rationale: Sociocultural/Sociohistorical Context	DUE: Rationale E-DB.	
Session 3	Pedagogical Theories: MCE (Banks, 2004) & CRT (Ladson-Billings, 2001)	Readings as assigned.	
	Mini Workshop: Using Literature to support Social Justice and Equity	1 <sup>st</sup> 5 M & M Research Reviews.	
Session 4	Applying Theory to Practice: Principles for Teaching CLD Learners (Tharp, et al. 2001), & Funds of Knowledge (Moll, et al., 1992)	DUE: Pedagogical Theories E-DB.  2 <sup>nd</sup> 5 M & M Research Reviews.	
Session 5	Applying Theory to Practice: SDAIE, & Differentiated Instruction	3 <sup>rd</sup> 5 M & M Research Reviews.	
Session 6	Comprehensive Instruction: Teaching Methods Workshops (Presentations)	DUE: Methods Presentations.  4 <sup>th</sup> 5 M & M Research Reviews	
Session 7	Focus on Content: Social Justice & Equity for All Learners	5 <sup>th</sup> 5 M & M Research Reviews	
Session 8	S J & E Presentations	FINAL DUE DATE LAST CLASS MEETING.	
		6 <sup>th</sup> 5 M & M Research Reviews	
Final Exam	S J & E Presentations	FINAL DUE DATE LAST CLASS MEETING.	