

GEORGE MASON UNIVERSITY
School of Recreation, Health, and Tourism

PHED 415—Student Teaching (12)
Spring 2011

DAY/TIME:	M 4:30 – 7:10 p.m.	LOCATION:	IN 316
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PREREQUISITES

Completion of all courses in approved program, and acceptance into student teaching.

COURSE DESCRIPTION

Provides supervised clinical experience for a full semester in approved schools. Requires experiences in elementary (7 weeks) and secondary (7 weeks) school settings. Includes participation of one week in preservice workshops and related activities, and weekly seminar sessions.

COURSE OBJECTIVES

At the completion of this course, students should be able to:

1. Teach with total authority (under the supervision of a state licensed cooperating teacher) all aspects of a physical education program over a period of 7.5 weeks each at the elementary and secondary level. Mason requires 300 student teaching hours, including 150 hours of direct instruction.
2. Develop and communicate daily lesson plans to meet the needs of diverse student populations.
3. Write a unit plan at each placement level. The unit plan will include lesson plans in the Mason format.
4. Develop and use appropriate assessment techniques congruent with learning goals at each level.
5. Utilize direct and indirect strategies to include peer assessment and cooperative learning.
6. Show the ability to utilize technology in the classroom (i.e. heart rate monitors).
7. Apply appropriate classroom management strategies at each level.
8. Interact with the family/community (i.e. communication with parents, family fitness night) at each placement to promote learner growth and physical activity.
9. Self-evaluate your teaching through bi-weekly progress reports, weekly reflection logs, videotape analyses and reflective statements.
10. Establish productive partnerships with clinical faculty, cooperating teachers and your university supervisor.
11. Develop, organize and present your Professional Portfolio.
12. Identify and report learners in distress to your mentor teacher.
13. Adhere to learner behaviors and rights regarding equity, confidentiality, safety and mutual respect.
14. Attend department meetings, district meetings and state conventions as professional activities when appropriate.
15. Identify ways to become an advocate in your school/community for physical activity.

COURSE OVERVIEW

This is the capstone course in the physical education teacher preparation program. Students will successfully complete a student teaching internship first at the elementary (7.5 weeks) and then at the secondary level (7.5 weeks). The seminars are designed to discuss relevant and current issues such as classroom management, impact on student learning, teaching strategies, and interviewing skills. Upon completion of this course, students will have met the NASPE Physical Education Teacher Education Standards.

REQUIRED READINGS

1. Student Teaching Manual
2. School Policy Handbook
3. Readings for the Seminar can be found on E-reserve.

EVALUATION

Requirements

1. Student teaching at the elementary and secondary level.
2. Assignments and participation at seminars.

Grades	Percent
Student Teaching	70%
Assignments and Participation at Seminars	30%
TOTAL	100%

Students are expected to abide by the policies and rules of their placement schools. Seminar attendance, active participation in class discussions, and successful completion of all assignments are mandatory. Failure to successfully complete all assignments will result in an Incomplete in the course.

GRADING SCALE (no plus or minus)

A= 90-100

B= 80-89

C= 70-79

Lower than 70= Repeat the course.

TENTATIVE COURSE SCHEDULE

DATE			READINGS/ASSIGNMENT DUE
M	January	31	Reading-On Their Own (E-reserves) / Resume
M	February	14	Reading-Observational Tools (E-reserves) / Teacher Work Sample Checkpoint / Family-Community Involvement
M	February	28	Video and Analysis-Elementary Level (In collaboration with cooperating teacher)/ Unit Plan
M	March	14	Teacher Work Sample / Personal Evaluation at the Elementary Level
M	March	28	Reading-Alternatives to Using Exercise as Punishment (E-reserves) / Portfolio Checkpoint
M	April	11	Mock Interview
M	April	25	Portfolio / Video and Analysis-Secondary Level (In collaboration with cooperating teacher)
W	May	9	*Final Presentations / Personal Evaluation at the Secondary Level

*The final presentation is a requirement of the course. Failure to present will result in a letter grade lower, for the course. Make up presentations will be conducted ONLY if prior permission is granted by the instructor or the student has a written doctor's excuse.

Note: Faculty reserves the right to alter the schedule as necessary.

Student Expectations

- Students must adhere to the guidelines of the George Mason University Honor Code [See <http://academicintegrity.gmu.edu/honorcode/>].
- Students with disabilities who seek accommodations in a course must be registered with the George Mason University Office of Disability Services (ODS) and inform their instructor, in writing, at the beginning of the semester [See <http://ods.gmu.edu/>].
- Students must follow the university policy for Responsible Use of Computing [See <http://universitypolicy.gmu.edu/1301gen.html>].
- Students are responsible for the content of university communications sent to their George Mason University email account and are required to activate their account and check it regularly. All communication from the university, college, school, and program will be sent to students solely through their Mason email account.
- Students must follow the university policy stating that all sound emitting devices shall be turned off during class unless otherwise authorized by the instructor.
- Students are expected to exhibit professional behaviors and dispositions at all times.

Campus Resources

- The George Mason University Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS) staff consists of professional counseling and clinical psychologists, social workers, and counselors who offer a wide range of services (e.g., individual and group counseling, workshops and outreach programs) to enhance students' personal experience and academic performance [See <http://caps.gmu.edu/>].
- The George Mason University Writing Center staff provides a variety of resources and services (e.g., tutoring, workshops, writing guides, handbooks) intended to support students as they work to construct and share knowledge through writing [See <http://writingcenter.gmu.edu/>].
- For additional information on the College of Education and Human Development, School of Recreation, Health, and Tourism, please visit our website [See <http://rht.gmu.edu>].

