

George Mason University
College of Education and Human Development
Elementary Education Program (ELED)

ELED 543 Section 001
Children, Family, Culture, and Schools (3 credits)
Fall 2021 (August 23 – December 15)
Mondays, 10:30am-1:10pm
Hybrid: Face-to-Face (Thompson L028) and Synchronous Online (Zoom)

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Recommended Prerequisite: Admission to Elementary Education licensure program

University Catalog Course Description: Examines child and family development and ways children, families, schools, and communities interrelate. Links children’s developing physical, social, emotional, and cognitive abilities to planning curriculum and developing instructional strategies.

Course Overview: N/A

Field Hours: This course requires 15 hours of field observation. Additional details are in the “Assignments” section.

Course Delivery Method: This course will be delivered **in a hybrid format** using **primarily face-to-face, as well as synchronous online and asynchronous methods** via Blackboard Learning Management system (LMS) housed in the MyMason portal, Google Drive, and Zoom (see “Class Schedule” for details). You will log in to the Blackboard (Bb) course site using your Mason email name (everything before @gmu.edu) and email password. The course site will be available on Monday, August 16, 2021.

Under no circumstances, may candidates/students participate in online class sessions (either by phone or Internet) while operating motor vehicles. Further, as expected in a face-to-face class meeting, such online participation requires undivided attention to course content and communication.

This course will be delivered using multiple instructional strategies and formats including face-to-face, synchronous, and asynchronous online meetings. Individual session formats vary and may include mini-lessons, small group/large group discussion, hands-on, interactive work, student presentations, and cooperative learning. Practical applications of theory are explored via

group activities. Each week, asynchronous activities should be completed prior to our class meetings. A detailed schedule is included in the “Class Schedule” section below.

Technical Requirements

To participate in this course, students will need to satisfy the following technical requirements:

1. High-speed Internet access with standard up-to-date browsers. To get a list of Blackboard’s supported browsers see: https://help.blackboard.com/Learn/Student/Getting_Started/Browser_Support#supported-browsers
2. To get a list of supported operating systems on different devices see: https://help.blackboard.com/Learn/Student/Getting_Started/Browser_Support#tested-devices-and-operating-systems
3. Students must maintain consistent and reliable access to their GMU email and Blackboard accounts, as these are the official methods of communication for this course.
4. Students will need a headset microphone for use with Zoom or other required web conferencing tools.
5. Students may be asked to create logins and passwords on supplemental websites and/or to download trial software to their computer or tablet as part of course requirements.
6. The following software plug-ins for PCs and Macs, respectively, are available for free download:
 - Adobe Acrobat Reader: <https://get.adobe.com/reader/>
 - Windows Media Player: <https://support.microsoft.com/en-us/help/14209/get-windows-media-player>
 - Apple Quick Time Player: www.apple.com/quicktime/download/

Expectations

1. Course Week: Our course week will end on the day that our class meetings take place as indicated on the “Class Schedule.”
2. Log-in Frequency: Students must actively check the course Blackboard site and their GMU email for communications from the instructor, class discussions, and/or access to course materials 4 times per week. In addition, students must log in for all scheduled online synchronous meetings.
3. Participation: Students are expected to actively engage in all course activities throughout the semester, which includes viewing all course materials, completing course activities and assignments, and participating in course discussions and group interactions.
4. Technical Competence: Students are expected to demonstrate competence in the use of all course technology. Students who are struggling with technical components of the course are expected to seek assistance from the instructor and/or College or University technical services.
5. Technical Issues: Students should anticipate some technical difficulties during the semester and should, therefore, budget their time accordingly. Late work will not be accepted based on individual technical issues.

6. Workload: Please be aware that this course is **not** self-paced. Students are expected to meet *specific deadlines* and *due dates* listed in the **Class Schedule** section of this syllabus. It is the student's responsibility to keep track of the weekly course schedule of topics, readings, activities, and assignments due.
7. Instructor Support: Students may schedule a one-on-one meeting to discuss course requirements, content, or other course-related issues. Those unable to come to the Mason Fairfax campus can meet with the instructor via telephone or videoconference. Students should email the instructor to schedule a one-on-one session, including their preferred meeting method and suggested dates/times.
8. Netiquette: The course environment is a collaborative space. Experience shows that even an innocent remark typed in the online environment can be misconstrued. Students must always re-read their responses carefully before posting them, so as others do not consider them as personal offenses. *Be positive in your approach with others and diplomatic in selecting your words.* Remember that you are not competing with classmates; rather, you are sharing information and learning from others. All faculty are similarly expected to be respectful in all communications.
9. Accommodations: Online learners who require effective accommodations to ensure accessibility must be registered with George Mason University Disability Services.

LEARNER OUTCOMES:

This course is designed to enable students to:

1. detail the stages of typical human development in the domains of: (a) cognition, (b) language, (c) social/emotional and (d) physical in children ages 4-12.
2. identify interconnections between culture, family, community, and school, and the dynamic interaction between teachers, parents, and community members necessary to promote children's growth and learning.
3. read and reflect upon contemporary theories of human development and their relevance to educational practices in elementary schools.
4. understanding of current research on the brain, its role in learning, and implications for instruction
5. examine interaction of children with individual difference – including but not limited to substance abuse(s), trauma, child abuse and neglect, and other adverse childhood experiences and/or family disruptions
6. observe the diversity of students and their families and demonstrate effective anti-bias educational approaches for use in classrooms with diverse learners.
7. identify and discuss teacher's role in working with families in culturally diverse communities and fostering their engagement in their child's education.

PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS:

Upon completion of this course, students will have met the following professional standards:

INTASC (The Interstate Teacher Assessment & Support Consortium):

- **Standard #1: Learner Development.** The teacher understands how learners grow and develop, recognizing that patterns of learning and development vary individually within and across the cognitive, linguistic, social, emotional, and physical areas, and designs and implements developmentally appropriate and challenging learning experiences.
- **Standard #2: Learning Differences.** The teacher uses understanding of individual differences and diverse cultures and communities to ensure inclusive learning environments that enable each learner to meet high standards.
- **Standard #10: Leadership and Collaboration.** The teacher seeks appropriate leadership roles and opportunities to take responsibility for student learning, to collaborate with learners, families, colleagues, other school professionals, and community members to ensure learner growth, and to advance the profession.

REQUIRED TEXTS: *These texts will be used across multiple courses in multiple semesters and/or internship.

*Hammond, Z. (2015). *Culturally responsive teaching and the brain: Promoting authentic engagement and rigor among culturally and linguistically diverse students*. Sage.

McDevitt, T., & Ormrod, J. (2020). *Child development and education* (7th ed.). Pearson.

*Wood, C. (2017). *Yardsticks: Children in the classroom ages 4-14* (4th ed.). Center for Responsive Schools.

**Additional selected readings will be posted on Blackboard.

COURSE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION:

Students are expected to submit all assignments on time in the manner outlined by the instructor (e.g., Blackboard, hard copy). ***All assignments subject to change due to Covid-19 changes and restrictions.**

Assignments and/or Examinations:

1. Attendance and Participation (25%)

It is expected that you attend all face-to-face, synchronous, and asynchronous online meetings outlined within the syllabus. Absence from class to observe a religious holiday, to serve jury duty, to participate in required military service, and medical emergencies are exceptions to the above policy. If you anticipate being absent for any of these reasons, please make arrangements at least 48 hours in advance. In addition, **you**

are expected to be on time to class unless 48 hours advance notice has been provided to the instructor.

This course operates with the assumption that knowledge is socially constructed and the most meaningful learning opportunities are those where you have the opportunity to offer and explore diverse perspectives with peers; therefore, **you are expected to contribute to face-to-face, synchronous, and asynchronous online discussions and activities** as well as genuinely listen to peers as they do the same. In addition, **you are expected to be prepared for each class**, which means having completed **all assigned readings and tasks** for that class.

Your participation includes completion of all face-to-face, synchronous, and asynchronous application activities. This includes, but is not limited to:

- Contributions to whole group and small group discussions, including literature circles
- NearPod lesson activities
- Graphic organizers and activities associated with weekly content

2. Observation Journals (20%)

DUE: Monday, October 4, October 18, November 8, and November 22

As you begin your professional journey as a teacher, you will be tasked with completing many readings and assignments intended to advance your professional learning. Simultaneously, you will be engaged in observing and interacting with students and educators within an elementary classroom setting. The purpose of this assignment is to help you explicitly connect those two activities – your coursework to your observations – and critically reflect on how those connections inform your future teaching practice.

Thus, for this assignment, you will complete four observation journals, each with a different focus, that specifically address one aspect of our course readings. The observation journals will be submitted throughout the semester and become a source for dialogue in the course around how evidence-based practices might be implemented in the classroom. Below you will find a list of topics for the four observation journals, as well as their respective due dates. Note that each journal will require specific look-fors, constituting both what you *see* and what you *hear*, which we will discuss in class.

- **Journal #1: Ecological systems & family engagement (due Oct. 4)**
- **Journal #2: Culture & cognitive development (due Oct. 18)**
- **Journal #3: Physical development & motivation (due Nov. 8)**
- **Journal #4: Affective development & trauma-informed care (due Nov. 22)**

Additional details (i.e., look-fors) and the rubric used to evaluate this assignment will be provided in class. Each of the four observation journals are worth 5% each, for a total of 20% of your final grade in the course.

3. Planning a Home Visit (10%)

DUE: Tuesday, October 12

Home visits serve as a useful and informative mechanism to partner with your students' families to support their child's development and learning. Furthermore, they provide a window into the sociocultural factors impacting your students – aspects that may go unseen or overlooked in the classroom. Although you won't be able to conduct a home visit during this course, you can think about how you might prepare for one when you enter the classroom.

For this assignment, you will consider an elementary student you know and plan a mock home visit. You will brainstorm questions you might ask the family, using research and course literature to support your responses to the prompts below:

- **Rationale for Selecting Family:** Describe your case study's family. Include responses to the following: 1) an explanation of the ways you think the child's family or families' culture is different from your own; 2) what you have observed about how society views the child and the culture of his/her family; 3) make an honest attempt to identify and describe any assumptions you had about this family at the beginning of the school year, and 4) discuss how your assumptions did or did not change at this point of the school year
- **Introducing yourself:** Identify what might be common ground between you and your case study's family (gender, work, education, experiences) as these help with initial introductions. Describe the introduction and the process you would use to introduce yourself to the family.
- **Questions to assist you in learning about the child:** Develop a set of questions that you will use to help you learn more about the child in terms of their likes, dislikes, interests, and experiences.
- **Questions to assist you in learning about the family:** Develop a set of questions to ask during the home visit to begin to understand the family's goals for themselves as well as their child. How did this family come to be in this place where you have met them (remember – it might not be their home and could be a community setting)? What do you need to understand about their culture in order to understand them? What is their perspective about their child or children? These questions should also help you begin to learn more about the family's everyday experiences as well as prior experiences that might be insightful as you begin to work with them.

Your responses to the four prompts above should be submitted, along with a 2-3 page memo explicitly identifying how your course readings informed your responses, as well as what you learned from this activity. Remember, there are no "right" answers, but rather evidence-based practice, which is crucial in understanding *why* and *how* home

visits support family engagement, child development, and student learning in your classroom.

The rubric used to evaluate this assignment will be provided in class. This assignment is worth 10% of your final grade in the course.

4. PBA: Community Mapping Activity (30%)

DUE: Monday, September 27, October 25, and November 15

Effective teachers recognize the myriad ecological factors that influence their students' daily lives. The purpose of this assignment is to better familiarize you with Bronfenbrenner's Ecological Model and its utility in deepening your understanding of students in your classroom. To that end, you will complete a community mapping activity in small groups.

As a group, you will first choose **one** elementary school on which to focus; this school can be your field placement site, a personal elementary school, a school where you substitute, volunteer or work, or a new elementary school in the local Northern Virginia area. Once you have chosen the one elementary school you will be focusing on as a group, you will begin to examine the school community through the lens of the ecological model (Parts 1 and 2). Finally, your group will present what you have learned about your school through this examination (Part 3).

Part 1: Planning (due September 27)

- **Ecological Questioning:** You will develop questions related to each of the five layers of the ecological model (microsystem, mesosystem, exosystem, macrosystem, chronosystem) that informs students' development. As a group, brainstorm the questions you believe would yield you information pertinent to your work with students in your field placement school. Explain **WHY** you would want to know this information and provide reasoning from your course readings.
- **Identify and Describe Resources.** You will identify resources you can use to help you answer these questions. Consider federal, district and school websites, neighborhood and community leaders and blogs, conversations with school leaders and teachers, meeting with the school family liaison, school board meeting videos or interviewing board members, etc. Describe your plan for accessing these resources (e.g, who will research what, which resources require meetings with individuals or meetings to attend, etc.).

Part 2: Information Gathering (due October 25)

- **Prepare a Visual Tour:** You will prepare a visual tour of the school and surrounding community, such as areas where students live and resources nearby. Consider both the school environment inside and outside. Think about the

communities and resources outside the school building including the student housing areas.

- **Conduct the Research.** Using the resources identified in Part 1, you will gather information to help you answer the questions you developed in Part 1. Ensure that school and community demographics are included.
- **Identify What Makes This School Unique.** You will determine what programs or services make this school unique. This doesn't mean that it has to be only school with that particular service or program, but that the program or service may not be offered in all schools. Also consider - what makes the school stand out? (e.g., what special program or service do they offer that are not offered at every elementary school in the district, such as a Level IV AAP program or a foreign language immersion program?)
- **Distinguish course readings and discussions that explain the uniqueness of this school.** Cite and discuss readings from ELED 542 *and* 543.

Part 3: Presentation **(due November 15)**

- **Prepare a 20-minute group presentation.** Be creative ☺. As a team you will present the information above to your class along with school partners and fellow faculty invited. Afterward, you will engage in a Q&A session for 5-10 minutes. Your presentation should include the:
 - information you discovered about the school and community related to each layer of the model (microsystem, mesosystem, exosystem, macrosystem, chronosystem), including school and community demographics
 - unique features, programs, services, etc. that make this school stand out or different from others
 - visual tour of the school and surrounding community
 - reflection on how this information would impact (the implications) your management and instruction within the classroom, as well as your work with families and the larger community (reference course readings, resources, and activities)
 - resources you used to gather information

You will submit Part 1, Part 2, and Part 3 on the due dates specified above. This assignment will serve as your performance-based assessment (PBA) for the course. The rubric used to evaluate this assignment can be found at the end of this syllabus. This PBA is worth 30% of your final grade in the course.

5. Applied Developmental Scenario (15%)

DUE: Monday, December 6

This PBA assignment is intended to integrate your course readings and field observations and apply your ecological and developmental knowledge to your future practice. You will highlight, analyze, reflect, and **respond to ONE of the three** applied developmental scenarios below. *As you review and explain aspects of each scenario you should consider the following as a part of each paragraph's discussion.*

- **Part 1: Highlighting** the ecological and/or developmental capacities at play in the scenario. In short, what is going on ecologically or developmentally for the students in the case and what is important for the educator to consider?
- **Part 2: Integrating and analyzing** the course readings to explain the relevance of the ecological and/or developmental capacities noted in the scenario. *[Keep in mind there are MANY ecological or developmental considerations within the scenario. Therefore, multiple course readings can apply to explain the capacity discussed.]* To show your knowledge and understanding of the course readings across the semester and how they apply to your work, you should use MULTIPLE course readings to explain the ecological and developmental capacities you noted in Part 1.
- **Part 3: Reflecting** as a developmentally appropriate educator on how you would address these ecological and developmental capacities for the students in the scenario or the scenario's classroom. Consider what you would do not only in your classroom walls but also outside your classroom (e.g., think about the ecology).

To assist with this assignment, you are going to be asked to complete a template noting how you are considering and/or addressing all course content within the scenario. Moreover, you will want to use the resources provided in class (e.g., developmental observation journal, debriefing conversations, mentor teacher dialogues, community mapping presentation materials, literature circles) as useful guides to thinking about the scenario. Remember how we debriefed on observations in class. **Remember to approach the scenario as if you are the teacher and to highlight the research that supports your approaches to addressing the scenario.** Then explain the relevance of the research/observation connection and the utilization of this information for a future teacher.

You will complete your response to **the one** scenario you choose in 5 pages double-spaced. Include your completed template with your response (in one document).

The scenarios and rubric used to evaluate this assignment will be provided in class. This assignment is worth 15% of your final grade in the course.

Other Requirements:

Assignment Expectations

All assignments are to be completed **BEFORE CLASS** by the date listed in the syllabus. **Written work will not be accepted after the due date unless prior arrangements have been made with the instructor.** All assignments must be submitted on the due date stated within the syllabus (see below) and should be submitted in the format indicated by the instructor in class.

Assignments should be saved with your Last Name and Assignment Title (e.g., **Glaser_Applied Developmental Scenario**).

All written papers are expected to be double-spaced, with 1” margins, and in 12-point font (Times New Roman, Calibri, or Arial). APA (7th) format is expected. If you do not have a 7th Edition APA manual, the OWL at Purdue is an excellent resource.

<http://owl.english.purdue.edu/owl/resource/560/01/>

Please Note: The GMU Writing Center offers online support via email. They will provide feedback on your writing within one hour. Graduate and professional writing can be difficult; I encourage you to take advantage of this service. http://writingcenter.gmu.edu/?page_id=177

Note: I reserve the right to add, alter, or omit any assignment as necessary during the course of the semester. You will always receive advanced notice of any modifications.

COURSE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION WEIGHTING

<i>Course Outcomes</i>	<i>Assignments</i>	<i>Percentage of Final Grade</i>	<i>Due Date (due before class)</i>
1-5	Attendance and Participation	25%	Weekly
1, 2, 5	Observation Journals	5% each for a total of 20%	#1: October 4 #2: October 18 #3: November 8 #4: November 22
1, 3	Planning a Home Visit	10%	October 12
1-5	PBA: Community Mapping Activity	30%	Part 1: September 27 Part 2: October 25 Presentation: November 15
1-8	Applied Developmental Scenario	15%	December 6

*Performance-based assessment (PBA)

GRADING POLICIES

The grading for this course is as follows:

Grade	GRADING	Grade Points	Interpretation
A	93-100	4.00	Represents mastery of the subject through effort beyond basic requirements
A-	90-92	3.67	
B+	87-89	3.33	Reflects an understanding of and the ability to apply theories and principles at a basic level
B	83-86	3.00	
B-	80-82	2.67	
C*	70-79	2.00	Denotes an unacceptable level of understanding and application of the basic elements of the course
D	60-69	1.00	
F*	<69	0.00	

***Note: A course grade less than B requires that you retake the course. “C” is not satisfactory for a licensure course; “F” does not meet requirements of the School of Education.**

PROFESSIONAL DISPOSITIONS

Students are expected to exhibit professional behaviors and dispositions at all times (see Elementary Education Program Handbook). See <https://cehd.gmu.edu/students/policies-procedures/>

Core Values Commitment

The College of Education and Human Development is committed to collaboration, ethical leadership, innovation, research-based practice, and social justice. Students are expected to adhere to these principles: <http://cehd.gmu.edu/values/>.

GMU Policies and Resources for Students

Policies

- Students must adhere to the guidelines of the Mason Honor Code (see <https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/honor-code-system/>).
- Students must follow the university policy for Responsible Use of Computing (see <https://universitypolicy.gmu.edu/policies/responsible-use-of-computing/>).
- Students are responsible for the content of university communications sent to their Mason 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 with disabilities who seek accommodations in a course must be registered with George Mason University Disability Services. Approved accommodations will begin at the time the written letter from Disability Services is received by the instructor (see <https://ds.gmu.edu/>).
- Students must silence all sound emitting devices during class unless otherwise authorized by the instructor.

Campus Resources

- Support for submission of assignments to Tk20 should be directed to tk20help@gmu.edu or <https://cehd.gmu.edu/aero/tk20>. Questions or concerns regarding use of Blackboard should be directed to <https://its.gmu.edu/knowledge-base/blackboard-instructional-technology-support-for-students/>.
- For information on student support resources on campus, see <https://ctfe.gmu.edu/teaching/student-support-resources-on-campus>

Notice of mandatory reporting of sexual assault, interpersonal violence, and stalking:

As a faculty member, I am designated as a “Responsible Employee,” and must report all disclosures of sexual assault, interpersonal violence, and stalking to Mason’s Title IX Coordinator per University Policy 1202. If you wish to speak with someone confidentially, please contact one of Mason’s confidential resources, such as Student Support and Advocacy Center (SSAC) at 703-380-1434 or Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS) at 703-993-2380. You may also seek assistance from Mason’s Title IX Coordinator by calling 703-993-8730, or emailing titleix@gmu.edu.

For additional information on the College of Education and Human Development, please visit our website <https://cehd.gmu.edu/students/> .

CLASS SCHEDULE

**Faculty reserves the right to alter the schedule, including meeting location, as necessary with notification to students.*

Class Meeting	Topics & Guiding Questions	Readings and Major Assignments (DUE BEFORE CLASS)
<p style="text-align: center;">Week 1</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Monday, August 23</p> <p style="text-align: center;">10:30am – 1:10pm Face-to-Face*, Thompson L028</p>	<p>Getting to know each other!</p> <p>How does child development, psychology, and culture pertain to my work as an elementary teacher and making a difference in the lives of children?</p> <p><i>Introduce Applied Developmental Scenario assignment</i></p>	<p>Text:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hammond (2015), Ch. 1: Climbing out of the gap – Supporting dependent learners to become independent thinkers • McDevitt & Ormrod (2020), Ch. 1: Introduction to Child Development (pp. 1-10 only) <p>Blackboard:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wheatley (2002), Willing to be Disturbed • Getting to Know You survey (shared activity with ELED 542) • Online Modules for APA & Honor Code (due September 10)
<p style="text-align: center;">Week 2</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Monday, August 30</p> <p style="text-align: center;">10:30am – 1:10pm Face-to-Face*, Thompson L028</p>	<p>How do we engage in developmental observations and critical reflection?</p> <p>How does our understanding of child development influence our beliefs about, and perceptions of, students?</p> <p><i>Introduce Observation Journals assignment</i></p>	<p>Text:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • McDevitt & Ormrod (2020), Ch. 1: Introduction to Child Development (pp. 11-30 only) • Wood (2017), Getting the most out of Yardsticks (pp. 21-27) <i>and</i> read the guidelines for ages of students in your field experience placement <p>Blackboard:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Observing, Recording, and Reporting Children’s Development • Rodgers (2002), Defining reflection: Another look at John Dewey and reflective thinking
<p style="text-align: center;">Week 3</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Monday, September 6</p>	<p>NO CLASS – LABOR DAY</p>	

<p>Week 4</p> <p>Monday, September 13</p> <p>10:30am – 1:10pm Face-to-Face*, Thompson L028</p>	<p>How does our understanding of culture and community influence our beliefs about, and perceptions of, students?</p> <p>Why is the ecological model of development relevant for schools, teaching, and student learning?</p> <p><i>Introduce Community Mapping Activity PBA assignment</i></p>	<p>Text:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hammond (2015), Ch. 2: What’s culture got to do with it? – Understanding the deep roots of culture • <i>Review</i> McDevitt & Ormrod (2020), Ch. 1: Introduction to Child Development (pp. 21-22 only) <p>Blackboard:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bronfenbrenner (1994), Ecological models of human development • Understanding children in context: The Ecological Model of human development
<p>Week 5</p> <p>Monday, September 20</p> <p>10:30am – 1:10pm Synchronous Online (Zoom)</p>	<p>What are the foundational principles of culturally responsive teaching and classroom management?</p> <p>How might our implicit cultural biases influence our teaching?</p>	<p>Text:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hammond (2015), Ch. 4: Preparing to become a culturally responsive practitioner • McDevitt & Ormrod (2020), Ch. 3: Family, Culture, and Society (pp. 63-74 only) <p>Blackboard:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gay (2013) Teaching to and through diversity (pp. 54-68 only) • Ladson-Billings (1995), But that’s just good teaching! The case for culturally relevant pedagogy • Weinstein et al. (2004), Towards a conception of culturally responsive classroom management
<p>Week 6</p> <p>Monday, September 27</p> <p>10:30am – 1:10pm Face-to-Face*, Thompson L028</p>	<p>Community Mapping Activity Conferences</p> <p>Who are our home-school partners?</p> <p>What does it mean to engage families?</p> <p><i>Introduce Planning for a Home Visit assignment</i></p>	<p>DUE: Community Mapping Activity: Part 1</p> <p>Text:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • McDevitt & Ormrod (2020), Ch. 3: Family, Culture, and Society (pp. 75-107 only) <p>Blackboard:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gonzales (2019), “Aren’t you on the parent listserv?” Working for equitable family involvement in a dual-immersion elementary school • Grant & Ray (2013), Family engagement and the responsive educator & Teacher as family communication facilitator • Halgunseth et al. (2009) Family engagement, diverse families, and early childhood education programs: An integrated review of the literature • Yaafouri-Kreuzer (2017), How home visits transformed my teaching

<p>Week 7</p> <p>Monday, October 4</p> <p>10:30am – 1:10pm Face-to-Face*, Thompson L028</p>	<p>What theories of cognitive development influence how we teach elementary students?</p> <p>How can a teacher create a “brain-friendly” classroom?</p>	<p>DUE: Observation Journal #1 (ecological systems & family engagement)</p> <p>Text:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hammond (2015), Ch. 8: Information processing to build intellectual capacity – Growing brain power through elaboration • McDevitt & Ormrod (2020), Ch. 6: Cognitive development – Piaget and Vygotsky • McDevitt & Ormrod (2020), Ch. 7: Cognitive development – Cognitive processes <p>Blackboard:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • N/A
<p>Week 8</p> <p>Tuesday, October 12</p> <p>Asynchronous Online (see Blackboard)</p>	<p>How does the brain influence physical development and learning?</p> <p>How does the brain use culture to make sense of the world?</p>	<p>DUE: Planning for a Home Visit</p> <p>Text:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hammond (2015), Ch. 3: This is your brain on culture – Understanding how culture programs the brain • McDevitt & Ormrod (2020), Ch. 5: Physical Development <p>Blackboard:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • JIGSAW: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Jensen (2005), Ch. 2: Preparing the brain for school ○ Jensen (2005), Ch. 4: Movement and learning ○ Jensen (2005), Ch. 6: Physical environments

<p>Week 9</p> <p>Monday, October 18</p> <p>10:30am – 1:10pm Face-to-Face*, Thompson L028</p>	<p>How do social, emotional, and moral concepts (i.e., affective development) influence children’s engagement and learning in the classroom?</p>	<p>DUE: Observation Journal #2 (culture & cognitive development)</p> <p>Text:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • McDevitt & Ormrod (2020), Ch. 11: Emotional development • McDevitt & Ormrod (2020), Ch. 12: Self and social understandings • McDevitt & Ormrod (2020), Ch. 14: Moral development <p>Blackboard:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • N/A
<p>Week 10</p> <p>Monday, October 25</p> <p>10:30am – 1:10pm Face-to-Face*, Thompson L028</p>	<p>Community Mapping Activity Conferences</p> <p>How will you motivate students?</p>	<p>DUE: Community Mapping Activity: Part 2</p> <p>Text:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hammond (2015), Ch. 7: Shifting academic mindset in the learning partnership • McDevitt & Ormrod (2020), Ch. 13: Self-regulation and motivation <p>Blackboard:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ricci (2013), Ch. 1: What are mindsets and how do they affect the classroom?
<p>Week 11</p> <p>Monday, November 1</p> <p>10:30am – 1:10pm Face-to-Face*, Thompson L028</p>	<p>What do elementary teachers need to know to support students with mental health needs?</p> <p>How does your knowledge of development apply to working with children who experience trauma?</p>	<p>Text:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • N/A <p>Blackboard:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chibbaro & Jackson (2006), Helping students cope in an age of terrorism: Strategies for school counselors • Online mental health modules • NPR (2015), To head off trauma’s legacy, start young • Ray (2014), Posttraumatic stress disorder in children: What elementary teachers should know • Trauma in the classroom (PPT) • Choose from the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Souers & Hall (2016), Names, Labels, and the Need for Control ○ Souers & Hall (2016), Grace

<p>Week 12</p> <p>Monday, November 8</p> <p>Asynchronous Online (see Blackboard)</p>	<p>WORK WEEK</p> <p>Community Mapping Activity Conferences (optional)</p>	<p>DUE: Observation Journal #3 (physical development & motivation)</p> <p>Text:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • N/A <p>Blackboard:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • N/A
<p>Week 13</p> <p>Monday, November 15</p> <p>10:30am – 1:10pm Face-to-Face*, Thompson L028</p>	<p>Community Mapping Activity Presentations</p>	<p>DUE: Community Mapping Activity (PBA)</p> <p>Text:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • N/A <p>Blackboard:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • N/A
<p>Week 14</p> <p>Monday, November 22</p> <p>10:30am – 1:10pm Synchronous Online (Zoom)</p>	<p>How do language and speech develop?</p>	<p>DUE: Observation Journal #4 (affective development & trauma-informed care)</p> <p>Text:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • McDevitt & Ormrod (2020), Ch. 9: Language development <p>Blackboard:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gibbons (2015), Classroom talk: Creating contexts for language learning

<p>Week 15</p> <p>Monday, November 29</p> <p>10:30am – 1:10pm Face-to-Face*, Thompson L028</p>	<p>In what ways can you support the developmental and cultural influences on student learning within your classroom environment?</p> <p>How do peer relationships impact students in the classroom?</p> <p>Course Evaluations Course Wrap-Up</p>	<p>Text:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • McDevitt & Ormrod (2020), Ch. 15: Peers, schools, and society (pp. 561-583 only) <p>Blackboard:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • N/A <p>DUE December 6: Applied Developmental Scenario</p>
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Community Mapping Activity (PBA) Rubric
***Subject to modification based on COVID/Field Placements**

	1 (Beginning)	2 (Developing)	3 (Proficient)	4 (Exemplary)
<i>Preparation Materials</i>	Questions and/or resources were not included.	Questions were not written for each layer and/or resources were not identified.	Questions were written for each layer. Resources were identified.	Questions were written for each layer. Questions demonstrated deep understanding and implications of each layer. A wide variety of resources were identified.
<i>Visual Tour of School</i>	Visual tour provides snapshot of the school and surrounding community with consideration to 1-2 ecological systems OR visual tour is not included.	Visual tour provides some sense of the school and surrounding community with consideration to 3-4 ecological systems.	Visual tour provides sense of the school and surrounding community with consideration to all ecological systems.	Visual tour provides clear sense of the school and surrounding community with consideration to all ecological systems.
<i>School and Community Description and Demographics</i>	Limited description of the school and community through the lens of the layers of the ecological model AND/OR demographics are not included.	Description of the school and community through the lens of 3 or more layers of the ecological model AND/OR demographics for both school and community are/are not included.	Clear description of the school and community through the lens of each layer of the ecological model AND demographics for both school and community are included.	Thorough and specific description of the school and community through the lens of each layer of the ecological model AND demographics for both school and community are included.
<i>Aspects of the School that Make it Unique</i>	Limited or no description of the unique aspects (e.g., programs, services, location, resources, partnerships, etc.) of the school.	Brief description of the unique aspects (e.g., programs, services, location, resources, partnerships, etc.) of the school.	Description of the unique aspects (e.g., programs, services, location, resources, partnerships, etc.) of the school.	Exhaustive description of the unique aspects (e.g., programs, services, location, resources, partnerships, etc.) of the school.
<i>Intersection of Course Readings with your Field Experiences</i>	Does not make connections between course readings and field experiences.	A limited number and/or general connections made between course readings and field experiences.	Explicit and thorough connections made between course readings and field experiences.	

<i>Implications of your Findings</i>	Does not provide implications for classroom management, instruction, and/or development of family-school partnerships OR provides general findings that are not specific to this particular school setting.	Applies findings by outlining implications for classroom management, instruction, and/or development of family-school partnerships within this particular school setting.	Applies findings by outlining implications for classroom management, instruction, and development of family-school partnerships within this particular school setting.	Applies findings by outlining detailed implications for classroom management, instruction, and development of family-school partnerships within this particular school setting.
<i>Presentation</i>	Presentation is not balanced among group members, does not meet the 7-10 minute time frame, AND/OR does not provide required information.	Presentation is somewhat balanced among group members, meets the 7-10 minute time frame, provides required information, but may not be engaging, well-rehearsed or visually appealing.	Presentation is balanced among group members, meets the 7-10 minute time frame, provides required information, organized, and is mostly well-rehearsed and visually appealing.	Presentation is balanced among group members, meets the 7-10 minute time frame, provides required information, organized logically, and is engaging, well-rehearsed, and visually appealing.
<i>Contributions to Group Project</i>	Does not adequately contribute to the project.	Limited contributions and/or participation in the group project.	Active and engaged member of the group; contributions equal to/greater than that of other group members.	