# George Mason University College of Education and Human Development Elementary Education



# EDUC 301- DL1 Educating Diverse and Exceptional Learners 3 credits, Spring 2022 Asynchronous, Online March 21st to May 10th, 2022

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#### Prerequisites/Co-requisites None

#### **University Catalog Course Description**

Introduction to educational issues; not applicable in graduate-level teacher education programs. Introduces psychological, sociological, educational, and physical aspects of diverse populations in today's schools for early and middle education. Emphasizes litigation and legislation pertaining to education of diverse populations.

Note: Requires school-based field experience during course. (For Spring 2022, field-experiences in this course will be video based via Mason Teaching Channel--free access for Mason students via directions provided on Blackboard).

Please be aware of and follow all policies and procedures for Mason's Safe Return to Campus <a href="https://www.gmu.edu/safe-return-campus">https://www.gmu.edu/safe-return-campus</a>

#### **Course Overview**

This course provides an introduction to the sociocultural factors (e.g., race, ethnicity, religion, language, gender, sexual orientation, socioeconomic status) intersect to shape cultural identity and influence the educational experience of culturally and linguistically diverse and exceptional learners. Laws and policies that affect education along with instructional approaches and strategies that value diverse learners through a strengths-based lens and support inclusive classrooms are explored. This course provides a springboard for deeper learning around these critical topics.

# **Course Delivery Method**

This course will be delivered online (76% or more) using an asynchronous format via Blackboard Learning Management system (LMS) housed in the MyMason portal. 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, March 21, 2022 at 8:00 a.m. EST**.

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.

# Technical Requirements

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

- 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
  - To get a list of supported operation systems on different devices see: <a href="https://help.blackboard.com/Learn/Student/Getting\_Started/Browser\_Support#tested-devices-and-operating-systems">https://help.blackboard.com/Learn/Student/Getting\_Started/Browser\_Support#tested-devices-and-operating-systems</a>
- Students must maintain consistent and reliable access to their GMU email and Blackboard, as these are the official methods of communication for this course.
- Students will need a headset microphone for use with the Blackboard Collaborate web conferencing tool. [Delete this sentence if not applicable.]
- 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.
- The following software plug-ins for PCs and Macs, respectively, are available for free download: [Add or delete options, as desire.]
  - Adobe Acrobat Reader: <a href="https://get.adobe.com/reader/">https://get.adobe.com/reader/</a>

- Windows Media Player:
- https://support.microsoft.com/en-us/help/14209/get-windows-media-player
- Apple Quick Time Player: <a href="www.apple.com/quicktime/download/">www.apple.com/quicktime/download/</a>

#### **Expectations**

• <u>Course Week:</u> Because asynchronous courses do not have a "fixed" meeting day, **our week will start on Monday and finish on Sunday**.

# • <u>Log-in Frequency:</u>

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 at least 3 times per week.

# • 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.

# • <u>Technical Competence:</u>

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.

# • 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.

#### Workload:

Please be aware that this course is <u>not</u> 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.

# • <u>Instructor Support:</u>

Students may schedule a one-on-one meeting to discuss course requirements, content or other course-related issues. Those unable to come to a Mason campus can meet with the instructor via telephone or web conference. Students should email the instructor to schedule a one-on-one session, including their preferred meeting method and suggested dates/times.

#### • <u>Netiquette:</u>

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 that 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, but sharing information and learning from others. All faculty are similarly expected to be respectful in all communications.

#### Accommodations:

Online learners who require effective accommodations to insure accessibility must be registered with George Mason University Disability Services.

# **Learner Outcomes or Objectives**

This course is designed to enable students to do the following:

- 1. Understand aspects of diverse populations regarding the educational setting including legislation and litigation.
- 2. Be able to access additional information about diverse populations so they can meet the needs of the students in their classes.
- 3. Examine broader issues related to diversity, inclusion, social justice, and multiculturalism in education.
- 4. Engage in critical and reflective discussions related to systemic–isms in education.
- 5. Create a safe, challenging and enriching environment for all students.

#### **Required Texts**

Nora, J., & Echevarria, J. (2016). *No more low expectations for English learners*. Heinemann. ISBN: 978-0-325-07471-9

All additional readings and media material for the course will be available through links and PDFs on Blackboard under Course Content

#### **Professional Standards**

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

# **InTASC Standards (The Interstate Teacher Assessment & Support Consortium):**

- 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 #3: **Learning Environments.** The teacher works with others to create environments that support individual and collaborative learning, and that encourage positive social interaction, active engagement in learning, and self-motivation.

#### **CAEP 2018 K-6 Elementary Teacher Preparation Standards:**

Standard #1: Understanding and Addressing Each Child's Development and
 Learning Needs. Candidates use their understanding of child growth and development,

individual differences, and diverse families, cultures and communities to plan and implement inclusive learning environments that provide each child with equitable access to high quality learning experiences that engage and create learning opportunities for them to meet high standards. They work collaboratively with families to gain a holistic perspective on children's strengths and needs and how to motivate their learning.

 Standard #5: Developing as a Professional. Candidates promote learning and development of every child through participation in collaborative learning environments, reflective self-study and professional learning, and involvement in their professional community.

#### **Course Performance Evaluation**

This asynchronous, online course is **not self-paced. You will be expected to complete one module every week**. Completing a Weekly Module includes reading, participating in Discussion Board, and completing any assignments and/or activities within that Week Module. You are asked to engage deeply with the course content, to take risks in your thinking, and to listen to and learn from your classmates.

Students are expected to submit **all** assignments **on time** and in the manner outlined by the instructor on the **assigned due date**. Late assignments will receive reduced credit. All assignments will be posted in Blackboard.

# Assignments and/or Examinations:

Assignment	<b>Due Date</b>	Points
Class Participation: The class participation grade will reflect the quality as well as quantity of your participation. Satisfactory participation requires that you are <b>engaged</b> throughout <b>each week</b> online in learning tasks (e.g., Discussion Board, Blogs, Wikis, etc. and complete ALL learning tasks/assignments within each weekly basis in a thorough and thoughtful way. <b>Reminder: This course is NOT self-paced.</b>	Ongoing	150 (20 points per week for 7 weeks & 10 points for last half week)
<b>Teacher Journal Article Response:</b> You will select, read, and respond to a journal article from a variety of prominent practitioner journals focused on various topics associated with effectively teaching diverse learners in inclusive classrooms. These articles will introduce you to reading relevant professional journals as a way to pursue your own professional development and lifelong learning as a practicing teacher. (Assignment details below and on Blackboard).	TJAR #1 Due Sun. April 10th	50

Be A Teacher for 15 Minutes: Collaborate with a peer to create and share a multimedia presentation on one of the approved topics related to student diversity. (List of potential topics, specific directions, and rubric on Blackboard. Multimedia Presentation format must be compatible with Blackboard).	Due Sun. April 24th	50
Professional Dialog w Future Teacher Self: Thinking as a future teacher, share responses to 4 questions about 4 topics connected to learning in EDUC 301. Through this "interview" with your future teacher self, you will share the knowledge, dispositions, and insights gained around working with diverse and exceptional learners and their families in your future classroom/school. (Assignment details below and on Blackboard).	Due Sun. May 1st	100
Field Experience & Reflection: View various videos from instructor-selected options via Mason Teaching Channel and other educational websites. These videos provide a glimpse into optimal instructional environments in fully inclusive classrooms (e.g., with students receiving special education services and ELs) as well as ESOL classrooms (e.g., taught by an ESOL teacher or a content class with ELs taught by general ed teacher). A reflection paper that makes connections between learning in EDUC 301 and the video observations will be completed. (Assignment details below and on Blackboard). NOTE: This assignment has been modified for Spring 2022 to be video based.	Due Sun. May 8th	100

# Major Assignment Descriptions:

Class Participation (20 points for 7 weeks; 10 points for last half week): Active participation in learning activities on Blackboard in each weekly module is a crucial element of this asynchronous, online class. Your class participation grade each week will reflect the quality of your participation. Such participation can only occur when you are present, prepared and engaged in online learning activities (e.g., Discussion Board, Blogs, Wikis, etc.). Each week begins on Monday morning and ends on Sunday night at midnight. It is your responsibility to complete readings, watch videos, explore websites, etc. throughout the week and to complete any learning activities per directions and due dates in each weekly module. That is, please do not expect to get online once or twice and/or wait until the weekend to engage with the content and complete learning activities. Quality engagement each week means exploring the content deeply, thinking critically, and sharing your thoughts and responses with your peers via respectful dialog and other learning activities during each weekly module.

Be a Teacher Presentation (50 points): You want to be a teacher...here's your chance! You will also practice collaboration skills by working with a peer to create a 15-minute multimedia, narrated presentation about one of the approved topics related to teaching and learning with exceptional and diverse learners. This multimedia presentation will include a brief, meaningful activity to engage your peers around the content/topic. You and your partner will share your presentation via a Discussion Board link. Everyone will view and respond respectfully peers'

presentations. Topic approval and sign-up required. (List of potential topics, specific directions, and rubric on Blackboard).

Teacher Journal Article Response (50 points): Read a current professional practitioner journal article on topics related to effectively teaching diverse and exceptional learners in inclusive classrooms. Article options are organized into folders: Teaching Learners with Special Needs, Teaching English Learners, and Creating Culturally Responsive Teaching and Learning Environments. You will select one article from one of these folders that is of high interest to you. Using a graphic organizer template (on Bb), you will provide the following information about the article you have read: 3 key concepts, 1 analytical paragraph showing connections and applications, 1 quote from each source worthy of class discussion, and 3 questions to explore in the future. Provide proper citation in APA-7 style for the article. As you read your selected journal article, please keep notes about your connections, critiques, and/or questions/ wonderings so that you will be prepared to complete the graphic organizer.

<u>Professional Dialog with Future Teacher Self (100 points)</u>: In this major assignment, you will have a chance to apply and share the knowledge, disposition, and skills that you have gained in EDUC 301 in a creative way by conducting an interview with your FUTURE TEACHER SELF! You will provide thoughtful, paragraph-level responses to 4 questions each around 4 key topics in EDUC 301.

For this assignment, you will imagine that it is 5 years into the future, and you are now being asked to share your knowledge, philosophy, and vision for working with diverse and exceptional learners and their families with equity and excellence!

You will **answer** *a set of 4 questions* **for 4 different topics related to EDUC 301**. You will also generate questions of your own to demonstrate that you are a reflective practitioner who is inquisitive and curious to learn more about effective teaching.

# The 4 topics for the dialog/interview are:

- \*Working with English Learners (ELs)
- \*Working with ELs who are Dually Identified for Special Education Services
- \*Working with Students with Individualized Education Plans (IEPs) in Inclusive Classrooms
- \*Working with the Parent(s)/Guardian(s)/Families of Diverse & Exceptional Learners

Throughout the course, you should keep notes in a way that makes sense to you about key understandings around these four topics. You should also jot your thoughts about why these key understandings are important to your practice as a future educator of diverse and exceptional learners. These notes will be helpful to you when you begin to answer the specific questions for each of the four topics. **These specific questions will be available to you on Blackboard at the beginning of the course**.

Your answers to *each set of four questions for each of the 4 topics* is worth 25 points (25 x 4 = 100 points). **You will be graded holistically.** Specific criteria for evaluation and the questions for each topic will be shared in Bb in the "EDUC 301 Spring 2022 Professional Dialog/Interview w Your FUTURE Teacher Self!" document under the "Major Assignments" tab.

Paper Specifics: Create a title page for your work. Use 1" margins and *Times New Roman* 12-point font. Please use single-spacing with double-spacing between each question and between major topics. Include page numbers. Please include the headings for each of the 4 major topics in your paper. AND, be sure to include each question in each section above your answer.

<u>Field Experience & Reflection (100 points)</u>: This major assignment is based on viewing and reflecting on a variety of instructor-selected video options via Mason's Teaching Channel and/or other educational websites that portray optimal instructional environments for diverse PK-12 learners. You will need to set up a <u>Mason Teaching Channel</u> account and will be provided with explicit directions by Mason's Education Librarian on Blackboard for doing that.

These videos provide a glimpse into optimal instructional environments in fully inclusive PK-12 classrooms (e.g., with students receiving special education services and ELs) as well as ESOL classrooms (e.g., taught by an ESOL teacher or a content class with ELs taught by general ed teacher). **During SPRING 2022, these video observations will fulfill the required field experience for this course.** 

You will write a reflection paper that makes connections between learning in EDUC 301 and the video observations. That means that you will need to take careful, detailed notes as you view the videos that you can refer back to as you write your paper.

For your Field Experience Reflection Paper, you will respond to **THREE** instructor-selected videos and **ONE** video from options that the instructor will provide. **You will answer a set of questions for ALL FOUR of the video observations**. These questions will invite you to reflect thoughtfully on what you observe in the videos and to anchor your thinking and assertions in your reflections to learning from EDUC 301, other education courses (if applicable), and any relevant experiences of your own in schools as a teacher education student and/or as a former PreK-12 student.

For <u>ALL FOUR</u> video observations, you will answer <u>ALL</u> of the questions in each set of questions in a clear, detailed way using academic-style language. You should write one or two well-written paragraphs for each of the questions in each set for each video observation.

You are aiming to write thoughtful, reflective answers that demonstrate that you are thinking deeply about connections to what you have learned in EDUC 301. You are welcome

to make relevant connections to other education courses and/or your own experiences, but you must make clear, well-explained connections to learning from EDUC 301.

Your answers to each set of questions for each of the 4 video observations is worth 25 points (25 x 4 = 100 points). You will be graded holistically. Specific criteria for evaluation and the question sets for each video observation will be shared in Bb in the "EDUC 301 Spring 2022 Field Experience Paper & Evaluation" document under the "Major Assignments" tab.

Paper Specifics: Create a title page for your work. Use 1" margins and *Times New Roman* 12-point font. Please use <u>single-spacing</u> with <u>double-spacing between each question in each set and between video observations</u>. Include page numbers. Please include the TITLES for each of the videos addressed in your paper. AND, be sure to include each question from each set of questions above your responses to each video observation.

# Online Participation/Attendance Policy

Students are expected to participate in <u>ALL</u> online discussions/learning activities each week. Not participating in a weekly module is equivalent to being absent from a face-to-face class and will be reflected with a zero for the week and counted as an unexcused absence.

In the event that an entire weekly module must be missed due to unavoidable extenuating and extreme circumstances, please communicate to the instructor *prior to the event or as soon as possible*. Students without a serious, extenuating reason for missing a weekly module will lose the participation points for that class session. The instructor may require make-up work for an unavoidable absence. <u>Students with one or more unexcused absences during this 7.5-week course will not receive credit for the course.</u>

#### Grading

A+	=100	4.00
A	94-99	4.00
A-	90-93	3.67
B+	85-89	3.33
В	80-84	3.00
C	70-79	2.00
D	60-69	1.00
F	<59	0.00

It is expected that all class assignments will be submitted on time to the correct location on Blackboard. Therefore, **late assignments will not receive full credit**. Assignments turned in late will receive an automatic deduction of one letter grade for each day of lateness. All assignments must be submitted on the due date stated within each weekly module on Blackboard and must be submitted in the format outlined by the instructor.

Specific Assignments	<b>Point Values</b>
Class Participation	150 points
Be a Teacher Presentation	50 points
Teacher Journal Article Response	50 points
Professional Dialogue w. Future Teacher Self	100 points
Field Experience Reflection	100 points
	450 Points

#### **Class Schedule**

Note: Faculty reserve the right to alter the schedule as necessary, with notification to students.

All print-based and links to online texts, videos and other resources will be available on Blackboard.

Class	Topics	Readings &	Assignments
Session		Resources ON BLACKBOARD	Due

Week 1 Mon. March	Introduction and Syllabus Review;	Explore various websites to understand full inclusion in today's classrooms	Complete all learning activities and
21st to		View video on Intersectionality from Learning for	assignments
Sun.	Intro to	Justice	in Weekly
March	Intersection-		Module 1
27th	ality;	NOTE: ALL online texts (videos, websites, blogs,	
	Creating	etc.) AND journal articles will be located in each	Work on
	Inclusive	weekly module on Blackboard.	Teacher
	Classrooms &		Journal
	Connecting	Please be certain to access, read, and engage	Article
	with Diverse	with all content in each weekly module.	Response—
	Families;		Due at end
			of Week 3.
	VDOE		
	Guidelines for		
	Parents of		
	Special Needs		
	Students		

Week 2 Mon. March 28 <sup>th</sup> to Sun.	Brief History of Education: (Civil Rights Act 1964; Bilingual	NOTE: ALL online texts (videos, websites, blogs, etc.) AND journal articles will be located in each weekly module on Blackboard.  Please be certain to access, read, and engage	Complete all learning activities and assignments in Weekly
April	Education Act	with all content in each weekly module.	Module 2
3rd	1968; Equal		
	Educational	Online text, video, and reading topics:	Decide on
	Opportunities	Historical Timeline of Public Education in the	pairs and
	Act 1974,	U.S.;	topics for Be
	etc.);		a Teacher
		From the Elementary and Secondary Education	multimediap
	School	Act (ESEA) 1965 to No Child Left Behind	resentation
	Account-	(NCLB) 2001 to the Every Student Succeeds Act	
	ability	(ESSA) 2015;	
	ESEA to		Work on
	NCLB to	Individuals with Disabilities Education Act:	Teacher
	ESSA;	*IDEA Purpose	Journal
	T 4 C	*IDEA History	Article
	Impact of	*Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Section 504	Response –
	IDEA	*Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, Title II	Due at end
	Categories of Disabilities	*Free and Appropriate Public Education (FAPE) for all children	of Week 3.
	under IDEA	*IDEA-Related Centers	
	Other Health	*Evidenced-Based Practices re Autism	
	Impairment	*Office of Special Education & Rehabilitative	
	(OHI)	Services (OSERS)	
	(OIII)	Scrvices (OSLICS)	
		National Center for Education Statistics Children and Youth with Disabilities:	

Week 3	Special	NOTE: ALL online texts (videos, websites, blogs,	Complete all
Mon.	Education	etc.) AND journal articles will be located in each	learning
April 4 <sup>th</sup>	Eligibility:	weekly module on Blackboard.	activities and
to Sun.	Least		assignments
April	Restrictive	Please be certain to access, read, and engage	in Weekly
10th	Environment	with all content in each weekly module.	Module 3
	(LRE);		
		Online text, video, and reading topics:	Teacher
	Overview of	Least Restrictive Environment (LRE) –	Journal
	IEP/504;	connection to inclusion	Article
	,		Response
	Learning	<b>LD online</b> – Educators' guide to learning	DUE
	disabilities and	disabilities; Understanding ADHD	
	Dyslexia,	, and the start of	
	Autism	Academic Success for All Students – A Multi-	
	Spectrum	Tiered Approach – from Edutopia	
	Disorder,	and a sum op w	
	Intro to ADHD	Center on Technology and Disability (CTD);	
		control on recommending with resources (c.12),	
	Response to	Assistive Technology Basics;	
	Intervention	Assistive Technology for Reading;	
	(RTI) to MTSS	IRIS Center – Assistive Technology Module;	
	& PBIS		
		Tech Tools to Support ELs Literacy & Language	
	Assistive	<b>Development</b> – blog from International Literacy	
	Technology	Association (ILA);	
	with		
	Exceptional	Technology and ELs – from ColorinColorado	
	Learners;		
	,	Understanding Dyslexia:	
	Using Digital	<ul> <li>Video by Dr. Rachna Varia</li> </ul>	
	Tools to	Dyslexia in Different Languages	
	Support ELs'	• MTSS: Meeting Behavioral Needs, K-5 –	
	Literacy &	from Edutopia	
	Language	•	
	Development		
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Week 4	Intro to	NOTE: ALL online texts (videos, websites, blogs,	Complete all
Mon.	World Class	etc.) AND journal articles will be located in each	learning
April	Instructional	weekly module on Blackboard.	activities and
11 <sup>th</sup> to	Design &		assignments
Sun.	Assessment	Please be certain to access, read, and engage	in Weekly
April	(WIDA)	with all content in each weekly module.	Module 4
17 <sup>th</sup>	English		
	Language	Online text, video, and reading topics:	
	<b>DevelopmentS</b>		Work on Be
	tandards in		a Teacher
	connection to	World Class Instructional Design and	Multimedia
	Virginia	Assessment (WIDA) and VA SOLS:	Presentation
	Standards of		with Peer—
	Learning	Virginia Department of Education – English as a	due in Week
	(SOLS);	Second Language:	5
		• Standards	
	<b>Foundations</b>	• Instruction	
	of Effective	<ul> <li>Professional Organizations</li> </ul>	
	Instruction	<ul> <li>Parent Resources</li> </ul>	
	for ELs:		
	Strengths-	Recap of Luis Moll's Research on Funds of	
	based vs.	Knowledge;	
	deficit		
	perspective;	<b>Characteristics of Culturally Responsive</b>	
		<b>Teaching</b> from Teaching Diverse Learners, The	
	Providing ELs	Education Alliance at Brown University;	
	access to		
	grade-level	Resources & strategies to connect to and honor	
	content;	students' cultures, experiences, and backgrounds	
		, 1	
	ELs' Funds of	Intro to Culturally Responsive Pedagoy	
	Knowledge;		
		Reading(s) from textbook:	
	Introduction	• Pages 1-17 of No more low expectations for	
	to Culturally	English learners (required paperback	
	Responsive	textbook);	
	Pedagogy:	,,	
	Features of		
	CRP;		
	Sociocultural		
	Perspectives		
	on Learning:		

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Week 5	Intro to the	NOTE: ALL online texts (videos, websites, blogs,	Complete all
Mon.	SIOP Model	etc.) AND journal articles will be located in each	learning
April	Learning as	weekly module on Blackboard.	activities and
18th to	social activity		assignments
Sun.	Learning is	Please be certain to access, read, and engage	in Weekly
April	Language-	with all content in each weekly module.	Module 5
24th	Based		Be a Teacher
	Access to	Online text, video, and reading topics:	Multimedia
	grade-level	Using SIOP Model to link content learning and	Presentation
	content	language development	- DUE
	through high		
	expectations	The 6 Principles for Exemplary Teaching of	Work on
		English Learners – from TESOL International	Professional
	TESOL's 6		Dialog w.
	Principles for	WIDA Can-Do Philosophy and Can-Do Descriptors	Future
	Effective		Teacher
	Teaching of	Reading(s) from textbook:	Self- due in
	ELs	Pages 18-35 of No more low expectations for	Week 6
	Universal	English learners (required text	
	guidelines		
	from research		
	on language		
	pedagogy &		
	language		
	acquisition		
	theory		

Week 6	Dually	NOTE: ALL online texts (videos, websites, blogs,	Complete all
Mon.	Identified	etc.) AND journal articles will be located in each	learning
April	<b>Students:</b>	weekly module on Blackboard.	activities and
25 <sup>th</sup> to	Language		assignments
Sun.	Learning &	Please be certain to access, read, and engage	in Weekly
May 1st	Language	with all content in each weekly module.	Module 6
	Difference vs.		
	Learning	Online text, video, and reading topics:	Professional
	Disability;		Dialog w.
		<b>ColorinColorado</b> – A Bilingual Site for Educators	Future
	Programs &	and Families of English Learners	Teacher
	Support;		SelfDUE
	Importance of	Special Education & ELs: Opportunities &	
	Students'	Challenges, Student Needs, Instruction &	
	Cultural,	Assessment	Work on
	Linguistic, &		Field
	Educational	U.S. Supreme Court Cases:	Experience
	Background;	Lau v. Nichols	Reflection –
		Plyler v. Doe	due in Week
	<b>Education &amp;</b>	Castañeda v. Pickard	7
	ELs:		
	Federal &	National Association for Gifted Education;	
	State Laws &		
	Policies	<b>Problem-Based Learning for Identifying ELs for</b>	
	guiding	Gifted and Talented Ed	
	Education for		
	ELs	Read from textbook:	
		• Pages 37-75 of No more low expectations	
	Gifted	for English learners (required text)	
	<b>Education:</b>		
	Discrimination		
	and disparities		
	in Gifted		
	Identification;		
	New		
	Perspectives		
	on Giftedness;		
	Twice		
	exceptional		
	learners—		
	Gifted learners		
	with		
	disabilities		

Week 7 Mon.	Universal Design for	NOTE: ALL online texts (videos, websites, blogs, etc.) AND journal articles will be located in each	Complete all learning
May 2nd	Learning	weekly module on Blackboard.	activities and
to Sun.	(UDL);		assignments
May 8th		Please be certain to access, read, and engage	in Weekly
	Reimagining	with all content in each weekly module.	Module 7
	Multicultural		
	<b>Education:</b>	Online text, video, and reading topics:	Field
	Religious		Experience
	Diversity &	National Center on Universal Design for	Reflection—
	Cultural	Learning (UDL);	DUE
	Pluralism;		
		IRIS Center-UDL;	Please
	Teaching for		Complete
	Global	<b>Definitions of Multicultural Education</b> ;	Student
	Competence		<b>Evaluations</b>
	Foster inquiry,	Critical Multicultural Pavilion – Websites for	of Teaching!
	perspective	Educators (from EdChange Project)	
	taking, dialog,		
	and action	CREDE'S Five Standards of Effective Pedagogy	
	<b>Equity in</b>	Teaching for Global Competence	
	<b>Education:</b>	How to Be a Global Thinker	
	Gender equity;	Strategies for Teaching Open-Mindedness	
	Equity for		
	LGBTQIA	LGBT Inclusive Curriculum;	
	students	Gender Equity in the Classroom;	

Week	Racial Equity	NOTE: ALL online texts (videos, websites, blogs,	Complete
7.5	for Students	etc.) AND journal articles will be located in each	visual
Mon.	of Color:	weekly module on Blackboard.	representa-
May 9th	Racial		tion. Can be
to Wed.	Disproportiona	Please be certain to access, read, and engage	posted by
May	lity in School	with all content in each weekly module.	Wed. May
11th	Discipline—a		11th
	systemic	Online text, video, and reading topics:	
	problem;		Please
		Racial/Ethnic Enrollment in Schools;	Complete
	Bullying		Student
	Bullying of	Racial Disproportionality in School Discipline;	Evaluations
	Children with		of Teaching!
	Disabilities;	Racial bias in Pre-School Suspensions;	_
	Preventing	_	
	Bullying	<b>PBIS</b> Key Elements of Policies to Address	
		Discipline Disproportionality (2015);	THANK
	<b>Social Justice</b>		THANK YOU!
	Standards:	Learning for Justice—When Educators	´ ©
	Anti-Bias	Understand Race and Racism;	
	Framework		
	(from Teaching	<b>Bullying of Youth with Disabilities and Special</b>	
	Tolerance)	Health Needs;	
		National Bullying Prevention Center;	
		National Education Association (NEA) – Teaching Students to Prevent Bullying:	
		<b>Edutopia:</b> Students Standing Up to Bullying and Hate:	
		Not in Our Town/Not in Our Schools	

# **Professional Dispositions**

 $See \ \underline{https://cehd.gmu.edu/students/polices-procedures/}$ 

# **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: <a href="http://cehd.gmu.edu/values/">http://cehd.gmu.edu/values/</a>.

#### **GMU Policies and Resources for Students**

#### **Policies**

- Students must adhere to the guidelines of the Mason Honor Code (see <a href="https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/honor-code-system/">https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/honor-code-system/</a>).
- Students must follow the university policy for Responsible Use of Computing (see <a href="https://universitypolicy.gmu.edu/policies/responsible-use-of-computing/">https://universitypolicy.gmu.edu/policies/responsible-use-of-computing/</a>).
- 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 <a href="http://ds.gmu.edu/">http://ds.gmu.edu/</a>).
- Students must silence all sound emitting devices during class unless otherwise authorized by the instructor.

# Campus Resources

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

Notice of mandatory reporting of sexual assault, interpersonal violence, and stalking: As a faculty member, I am designated as a "Non-Confidential Employee," and must report all disclosures of sexual assault, sexual harassment, interpersonal violence, and stalking to Mason's Title IX Coordinator per <u>University Policy 1202</u>. If you wish to speak with someone confidentially, please contact one of Mason's confidential resources, such as <u>Student Support and</u>

Advocacy Center (SSAC) at 703-380-1434 or Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS) at 703-993-2380. You may also seek assistance or support measures from Mason's Title IX Coordinator by calling 703-993-8730, or emailing <a href="mailto:titleix@gmu.edu">titleix@gmu.edu</a>.

For additional information on the College of Education and Human Development, please visit our website <a href="http://cehd.gmu.edu/">http://cehd.gmu.edu/</a>.