



On-Campus Course Syllabus

EDU 200 L1

Introduction to Education

Spring 2021

Class Information

Day and Time: Tuesday 12:15 to 3:00 p.m.

Room Number: E 202

Contact Information

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Course Description and Prerequisites

Introduces the foundations of the profession of education to the beginning pre-service teacher. The educational philosophies and methodologies of various periods, as well as current trends in public and private education in America, are reviewed. Also included are how these philosophers and trends affect learners, law, and instructional methods. **(Nine clock hours of field experience are required for this course.)**

Course Objectives

1. Discuss the characteristics of effective and ineffective teachers.
2. Discuss the contributions of historical and current education reform initiatives.
3. State the basic tenets of educational philosophies and determine which have a biblical foundation.
4. Write and explain your personal philosophy of education.
5. Research and report on many of the ethical and legal issues facing teachers today.
6. Begin developing your own personal approach to today's schools, teaching, students, and classroom management after personally observing professional teachers at work.
7. Plan a differentiated lesson based on the characteristics of various learners, their developmental needs, and intelligences.

Required Textbooks

Cooper, J. and Ryan, K., *Those Who Can, Teach*, 14th edition, Illinois: Cengage Learning, 2016,
ISBN: 978-1-305-07769-0

Course Requirements and Assignments

*****Late Work Classroom Policy: Work is due at the beginning of class on the date designated unless otherwise stated by the professor. Late work will not be accepted.*****

1. Educator Biography: You will choose a person who has made a significant contribution to the field of education. You will then write a two (2) page biography of that person. This paper must be typed, double spaced, and 12cpi. You will be expected to share what you have learned.

DUE: 2/02/21

POINTS: 5 points

2. Peer Teaching #1: You will develop a lesson that focuses on an assigned curriculum area. You will be given a lesson plan format on which to base your own typed lesson plan. The lesson is to last from 5 to 10 minutes and include some type of visual or manipulative aide. The lesson is to be thorough and of a professional standard.

DUE: 3/02/21

POINTS: 10 points

3. Electronic Professional Portfolio: The requirements for this assignment will be distributed to all Education majors during the first Program meeting.

DUE: 4/06/21

POINTS: 5 points

4. Field Experience Journal: You will record your observations and reflections of your field experience in nine (9) entries. A format for your journal will be provided for you in class. All nine entries are to follow this format *and are to be typed*. **Two-thirds of your grade on this assignment will come from the journal, and one-third of your points will come from your discussion of your experiences.**

DUE: 4/20/21

POINTS: 15 points

5. TEA Research Paper: You will choose an aspect of Texas education governance to investigate. This research paper is to be a minimum of two (2) pages in length. It must be typed, double spaced, and 12cpi. You will be expected to share what you have learned.

DUE: 4/20/21

POINTS: 5 points

6. Reform Issue Paper: After choosing a reform issue to investigate, you will write a two (2) page research paper. This paper must be typed, double spaced, and 12cpi. You will be expected to share what you have learned.

DUE: 4/27/21

POINTS: 5 points

7. Current Events Scrapbook: This scrapbook is to be a reflection of current (Jan. 2019 to Dec. 2019) issues in local, state, and national education. There are to be 15 articles in the scrapbook. Ten (10) articles are to be about public education and five (5) are to be about Christian education. All the articles are to be neatly mounted and accompanied by a one paragraph written summary and a one paragraph written response. Each article must be notated as to source, date, and author.

DUE: 5/04/21

POINTS: 10 points

8. Personal Educational Philosophy Paper: This assignment is to aid you in developing your own philosophy of education. This is not a research paper; therefore it is to be written in "first person." The paper is to be 5-7 pages in length, typed, double-spaced, and 12cpi. It is to address a number of basic questions about education that will be provided for you in class. **Your philosophy must be supported with a minimum of five (5) scriptures.**

DUE: 5/04/21

POINTS: 15 points

9. Class Notes: All chapter outlines are to be completed by you during the semester. Class discussions will cover portions of the notes. However, it is understood, that time constraints do not permit completion of all outlines during class. Therefore, it is your responsibility to complete the remainder of the outlines during your own studies of the text material.

DUE: 5/04/21

POINTS: 5 points

10. Elaborated Peer Teaching: This lesson will be presented in lieu of a Final Exam. It will cover a different portion of the elementary curriculum than the Peer Teaching #1 assignment. The lesson must be 10 to 15 minutes in length. It will be accompanied by a more extensive typed lesson plan (the form will be provided in class) and a visual or manipulative aide. The lesson is to be thorough and of a professional standard.

DUE: 5/11/21

POINTS: 15 points

11. Tests: Two tests will be administered during the semester. They will cover material from the text and class discussions.

DUE: 3/02 & 4/06/21

POINTS: 5 points each/Total of 10 points

Course Information

Texas Educator Standards:

Pedagogy and Professional Responsibilities EC–12 Standard I

The teacher designs instruction appropriate for all students that reflects an understanding of relevant content and is based on continuous and appropriate assessment.

Pedagogy and Professional Responsibilities EC–12 Standard II

The teacher creates a classroom environment of respect and rapport that fosters a positive climate for learning, equity and excellence.

Pedagogy and Professional Responsibilities EC–12 Standard III

The teacher promotes student learning by providing responsive instruction that makes use of effective communication techniques, instructional strategies that actively engage students in the learning process and timely, high-quality feedback.

Pedagogy and Professional Responsibilities EC–12 Standard IV

The teacher fulfills professional roles and responsibilities and adheres to legal and ethical requirements of the profession.

Technology Applications Standard V

All teachers know how to plan, organize, deliver and evaluate instruction for all students that incorporates the effective use of current technology for teaching and integrating the Technology Applications Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS) into the curriculum.

Class Attendance

Students are responsible for enrolling in courses for which they anticipate being able to attend every class session on the day and time appearing on course schedules, and then making every effort to do so. When unavoidable situations result in absence or tardiness, students are responsible for acquiring any information missed. Instructors are not obliged to allow students to make up missed work. Per their independent discretion, individual instructors may determine how attendance affects students' ability to meet course learning objectives and whether attendance affects course grades.

Grading Scale

Assigning grade definitions (i.e., above average, average, below average) is optional. Please delete the last column below if not assigning definitions. Additionally, delete these instructions when completing syllabus.

			Grade Definitions (optional)
A	93-100	4.0 grade points per semester hour	
A-	90-92	3.7 grade points per semester hour	
B+	87-89	3.3 grade points per semester hour	
B	83-86	3.0 grade points per semester hour	
B-	80-82	2.7 grade points per semester hour	
C+	77-79	2.3 grade points per semester hour	
C	73-76	2.0 grade points per semester hour	
C-	70-72	1.7 grade points per semester hour	
D+	67-69	1.3 grade points per semester hour	
D	63-66	1.0 grade point per semester hour	
D-	60-62	0.7 grade points per semester hour	
F	0-59	0.0 grade points per semester hour	

Incomplete Grades

Students requesting a grade of Incomplete (I) must understand that incomplete grades may be given only upon approval of the faculty member involved. An "I" may be assigned only when a student is currently passing a course and in situations involving extended illness, serious injury, death in the family, or employment or government reassignment, not student neglect.

Students are responsible for contacting their instructors prior to the end of the semester, plus filing the appropriate completed and approved academic request form with the Registrar's Office. The "I" must be removed (by completing the remaining course requirements) no later than 60 calendar days after the close of the term or semester in which the grade was awarded, or the "I" will become an "F."

Academic Honesty

Absolute truth is an essential belief and basis of behavior for those who believe in a God who cannot lie and forbids falsehood. Academic honesty is the application of the principle of truth in the classroom setting. Academic honesty includes the basic premise that all work submitted by students must be their own and any ideas derived or copied from elsewhere must be carefully documented.

Academic dishonesty includes, but is not limited to:

- cheating of any kind,
- submitting, without proper approval, work originally prepared by the student for another course,
- plagiarism, which is the submitting of work prepared by someone else as if it were his own, and
- failing to credit sources properly in written work.

Institutional Assessment

Material submitted by students in this course may be used for assessment of the college's academic programs. Since programmatic and institutional assessment is done without reference to specific students, the results of these assessments have no effect on a student's course grade or academic standing at the college. Before submitting a student's work for this type of assessment, the course instructor redacts the work to remove anything that identifies the student.

Institutional Email Policy

All official college email communications to students enrolled in this course will be sent exclusively to students' institutional email accounts. Students are expected to check their student email accounts regularly and to respond in an appropriate and timely manner to all communications from faculty and administrative departments.

Students are permitted to setup automatic forwarding of emails from their student email accounts to one or more personal email accounts. The student is responsible to setup and maintain email forwarding without assistance from college staff. If a student chooses to use this forwarding option, he/she will continue to be responsible for responding appropriately to all communications from faculty and administrative departments of the college. Criswell College bears no responsibility for the use of emails that have been forwarded from student email accounts to other email accounts.

Disabilities

Criswell College recognizes and supports the standards set forth in Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990, and similar state laws, which are designed to eliminate discrimination against qualified individuals with disabilities. Criswell College is committed to making reasonable accommodations for qualifying students, faculty, and employees with disabilities as required by applicable laws. For more information, please contact the Student Services Office.

Intellectual Property Rights

Unless otherwise specifically instructed in writing by the instructor, students must neither materially nor digitally reproduce materials from any course offered by Criswell College for or with the significant possibility of distribution.

Resources and Supports

Canvas and SONIS: Criswell College uses Canvas as its web-based learning tool and SONIS for student data. Students needing assistance with Canvas should contact the Canvas Help Support line at (844) 358-6140. Tech

support is available at this number, twenty-four hours a day. Students needing help with SONIS should contact the Campus Software Manager at studenttechsupport@criswell.edu.

Student Services: The Student Services Office exists to foster and encourage success in all areas of life—physical, intellectual, spiritual, social, and emotional. Students are encouraged to reach out for assistance by contacting the office at 214.818.1332 or studentservices@criswell.edu. Pastoral and certified counseling services are also available to Criswell students. Appointments are scheduled through the Dean of Students, at deanofstudents@criswell.edu.

Wallace Library: Students can access academic resources and obtain research assistance by contacting or visiting the Wallace Library, which is located on campus. For more information, email the Wallace Library at library@criswell.edu. Offsite login information is available in Canvas in the “Criswell Student Training Course” under “Library Information.”

Tutoring Center: Students are encouraged to consult with tutors to improve and enhance their skills and confidence in any subject matter taught at the college. Tutors have been recommended by the faculty to ensure that the tutor(s) are qualified to serve the student body. Every tutor brings experience and expertise in an effort to provide the proper resources for the subject matter at hand. To consult with a tutor, students can visit the Tutoring Center located on the second floor in room E203, or schedule an appointment by emailing tutoringcenter@criswell.edu or by calling 214.818.1373.

Course Outline/Calendar

Date	Topic	Reading Assignment	Assignments Due
1/19/21	Syllabus Explanation	Chapter 1	
	Why Teach?	Chapter 10	Field Experience Paperwork
1/26/21	History of Education/Video	Chapter 9	
2/02/21	Philosophy of Education	Chapter 2	Educator Biography
2/09/21	Philosophy of Education	Chapter 2	
2/16/21	What is a School?	Chapter 3	
2/23/21	Students in a Diverse Society		
3/02/21	Peer Teaching Day I	Chapter 4	Lesson Plan #1
	Test #1		
3/09/21	Social Problems & Tensions	Chapter 14	
3/16/21	Spring Break		

3/23/21	New Teacher Expectations	Chapter 6	
3/30/21	Effective Teachers	Chapter 5	
	What is Taught?	Chapter 7	
4/06/21	Technology in School	Chapter 8	Professional Portfolio Start
	TEST #2		
4/13/21	Legal & Ethical Issues	Chapter 11	
4/20/21	Who Governs & Finances Schools?	Chapter 12	TEA Research Paper
		Chapter 13	Field Experience Journal
4/27/21	School Reforms	Chapter 15	Reform Issue Paper
	Your Job Options		
5/04/21	Current Issues in Education		Current Events Scrapbook
	Professionalism		Personal Philosophy Paper
			Notes
5/11/21	Peer Teaching	FINALS WEEK	Lesson Plan II

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ADDENDUM FOR SP 21
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In the event that Criswell College has to close the campus to on-campus classes in during the SP-21 semester, this addendum specifies how your instructor intends to adjust the course in order to allow students to meet the course objectives.

The course requirements, assignments, calendar, and attendance requirements from the syllabus for this course are replicated below.

Course Requirements and Assignments

Course requirements, assignments, and due dates will remain in place if this course must become a remote learning situation due to COVID restrictions.

Class Attendance

Students will be expected to fully participate in the course in spite of the COVID restrictions or protocols.

Remote Class Sessions: Identity and Participation Verification

Students must have their cameras on and participate in class discussions, projects, and presentations in spite of any COVID restrictions. The professor is responsible for sending the conferencing link to any and all students who must attend class from a remote location due to COVID protocols.