Course Description:

During this rigorous module, candidates learn effective methods for teaching mathematics in the elementary school. The module takes a student centered, problem solving approach that targets conceptual understanding for diverse learners. This sequence addresses TLSC Enduring Understandings 3, 6, 7, and 9.

Essential Questions:

- How do teachers teach elementary mathematics in a developmentally appropriate way?
- How do teachers of elementary mathematics teach conceptual understanding of mathematics?
- How do teachers adjust and adapt learning materials and instruction for diverse learners?
- How is problem solving most effectively taught for transfer and modeling?

Essential Understandings:

- Incorporate research and evidence-based practices into the design of instruction (e.g. UbD, IB, SIOP and UDL). (5S; 9A) (IB)
- Design a standards-based instructional lesson that uses backward design (e.g. UbD) to align objectives with formative assessments and instructional practices based on high expectations for each student’s learning and behavior. (3H; 3I) (IB)
- Select relevant instructional content, materials, resources and strategies for differentiated and universally designed instruction. (3Q; 5O) (IB)
- Use assessment strategies and devices that are nondiscriminatory, and take into consideration the impact of disabilities, methods of communication, cultural background, and primary language on measuring knowledge and performance of students. (7R) (IB)
- Use data to differentiate assessments to meet the needs of diverse learners. (1H; 3J; 5P) (IB)
- Analyze and use student information to design instruction that meets the diverse needs of students and leads to ongoing growth and achievement (1H) (IB)
- Use data to plan for differentiated instruction to allow for variations in individual learning needs (3J) (IB)
- Use assessment data, student work samples, and observations from continuous monitoring of student progress to plan and evaluate effective content area reading, writing, and oral communication instruction (6H)

**Conceptual Framework:**

This course embodies the conceptual framework – *Social Action through Education*– of the School of Education (SOE) at Loyola University Chicago. As teachers, we recognize our connection to students as individuals and as members of a larger community. We serve others (students as well as families and communities) by creating experiences that encourage creative, moral and intellectual development. Leaders in our classrooms and larger school communities, we must consider how education can be transformational and how we might be agents of change. In this course sequence, we will explore what it means to hold high expectations for all learners that include academically challenging, personally and socially relevant knowledge and complex learning skills. In order to successfully provide opportunities for youth to meet these expectations, we must also be committed to reflecting on our own practice and to continually developing our own knowledge, skills and professional dispositions.

-This course assesses one of the Conceptual Framework Standards:
  **CFS1:** Candidates critically evaluate current bodies of knowledge in their field.

-To address this standard, you will:
  - Read, respond to and discuss texts in the field of Elementary Mathematics.
**Dispositions:**

Each sequence and module in the Teaching and Learning with Schools and Communities Program (TLSC) focuses on several professional dispositions. Candidates are offered opportunities to receive feedback on their dispositional growth. The teacher candidate commits to appropriate professional and interpersonal behaviors in this module by:

- D7 valuing the unique identities and backgrounds of all students, families and communities as essential assets in learning environments.
- D9 recognizing his/her own point of view and biases about diverse learners and how this perspective can impact teaching and learning.
- D13 acknowledging one’s ability to influence the motivation and achievement of students and to attain positive learning results using his/her personal and professional capacities. (d.1.D)
- D16 Valuing and promoting curiosity and creativity in students.

**Diversity:**

Course instructors strive to facilitate an inclusive environment respectful of all members of the class community with appreciation and respect for age, ability, color, creed, cultural background, ethnicity, gender identity or expression, national origin, race, religious affiliation or spiritual affinity, sexual orientation, socioeconomic class, or other status. If you are a student who requires any special considerations, please inform the instructor during the first week of class.

**Smart Evaluation**

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Sequence Four Professionalism and Participation Policies:

It is expected that teacher candidates in Sequence Four partner sites will demonstrate high levels of professionalism and responsibility in all aspects of their work in this sequence. In order to complete the module assessments and requirements in a satisfactory manner, candidates must be present for all sessions, while in partner classrooms, sequence instructional sessions on campus and at any informal partner sites. In the event of approved absences, candidates should contact their professors and school sites in the manner that is requested by the administration at the respective schools. The following guidelines for participation will be considered in the module grades.

Professional Attitude and Demeanor Part I
- 2-Always prompt and regularly attend sessions. (no absences or tardies)
- 1-Rarely late and regularly attend sessions (No more than 1 absence).
- 0-Often late and/or poor attendance at sessions (More than 2 absences).

Professional Attitude and Demeanor Part II
- 2-Always prepared for sessions with assignments and required materials.
- 1-Rarely unprepared for sessions with assignments and required materials.
- 0- Often unprepared for sessions with assignments and required materials.

Level of Engagement in Class
- 2-Always a willing participant. Contributes by taking initiative, offering ideas and asking questions in sessions, small groups and classroom sessions.
- 1-Often a willing participant. Contributes by taking initiative, offering ideas and asking questions in sessions, small groups or classroom sessions
- 0-Rarely a willing participant. Rarely contributes to sessions by taking initiative, offering ideas or asking questions.

Integration of Readings into Classroom Participation
- 2-Often cites from readings; use readings to support points.
- 1-Occasionally cites from readings; sometimes use readings to support points.
- 0-Rarely cite from readings; rarely use readings to support points.

Listening Skills
- 2-Listens when others talk, both in groups and in sessions. Incorporate or build off of the ideas of others.
- 1-Listens when others talk, both in groups and in sessions
- 0-Rarely listens when others talk, both in groups and in sessions.
Course Evaluation

Grading

All assignments will be graded using the rubrics posted on Sakai and LiveText throughout the semester. Each assignment will be calculated into the total number of points for the course. The number of points earned will be divided by the number of points possible, and a letter grade will be assigned using the scale below.

Assignments and readings are due on the dates listed on the course syllabi unless permission to hand them in late is given. Conflicts with an assignment deadline should be discussed and resolved prior to the assignment’s due date. Late work will only be accepted under special circumstances (e.g., family emergency, illness). Please contact your professor in person or by phone or email prior to any given due date to discuss assignment extensions requests. Failure to do so in a timely manner will result in significant grade deductions. Computer or technical problems are not an acceptable excuse for late work.

Unless otherwise noted, all assignments must be typed. Please double-space your work and use 12 point font. Attend closely and carefully to spelling and grammar. If referencing course or other textual materials, please follow American Psychological Association style guidelines (APA – 6th edition). You can access the APA style manual through Loyola University Chicago’s libraries or online at http://www.apastyle.org

All assignments in this course will be submitted via Sakai. If an assignment is a core assignment, I will ask that you also submit it on LiveText. I will notify you in advance if it must be submitted on LiveText.

Grading Scale:

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Policy Regarding Attendance & Assignments
Students are expected to commit to full attendance at all classes since this is a fundamental ingredient to student success. When students are absent, arrive late for, or leave early from class, valuable learning opportunities are lost. Therefore, absences will cause students to lose points from assignments for that week. Repeated late arrivals will be considered an absence.

One absence is allowed for a family emergency, a required school event that you can’t get out of, or the discretion of the instructors. After one absence, please talk to the instructor about next steps. You cannot earn participation points if you are not in attendance at the in-person meetings.

Unless there is a documented illness/emergency, your assignment grade will be lowered by 20% if submitted late. Late assignments will only be accepted up to one week after the set due date. Failure to turn in the assignment in that time frame will result in a zero. Extensions are to be granted by the instructor—you should not assume that turning in an assignment late is your privilege. If you are requesting an extension, that request should not be submitted the day the assignment is due. Please do not submit parts of an assignment, especially if you are absent or if you forget to bring a section to class. Assignments will not be accepted until all of the required parts are submitted together.

TLSC 420 Assignments
Greater detail and rubrics will be provided for all assignments on Sakai.

Course Attendance/Participation/In-class Activities– 25%
Teacher candidates will be expected to attend class and participate in class activities and discussions. Work from daily activities that are not otherwise graded will be included here. Punctuality, responsibility, professionalism, preparedness and contributions are considered.

Lesson Plan (Core Assignment) – 25%
Candidates will design a standards-based lesson plan that aligns standards, objectives and assessments. The lesson plan will demonstrate candidate’s knowledge of evidence-based practices and developmentally appropriate teaching methods.

Guided Math Lesson – 20%
Candidates will videotape themselves teaching one guided math lesson in their classrooms. They will further watch the video of themselves and write a reflection of their teaching.

Strategy / Algorithm of the Week – 10%
Each candidate will select one strategy or algorithm to teach the class. The candidate will prepare a mini-lesson and corresponding activity to teach the strategy / algorithm. The candidate will then teach the strategy / algorithm to his / her peers using the mini-lesson and activity.
**SUMI Reflection - 20%**

Complete a SUMI reflection based on what you learned about teaching mathematics during this course.

**Required Texts**


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| August 27th | -Introductions  
-Course Overview  
-Syllabus  
-Our Mathematical Experiences  
-Sign-Up for Algorithm of the Week |                                                                                                             |                  |
| September 3rd | Breaking Down the CCSS: Standards of Mathematical Content and Standards of Mathematical Practice | Read the Common Core State Standards for Mathematics, specifically those standards for the grade that you teach, the standards for the grade below what you teach and the standards for the grade above what you teach. (i.e. If you teach third grade, you will read the CCSS for 2nd, 3rd and 4th grades) |                  |
| September 10th | Standards for Mathematical Practice  
**Strategy:** Combinations of Ten | Debunking Myths about the Standards for Mathematical Practice  
By Victor Mateas |                  |
| September 17th | Creating Objectives Aligned with the SMPs and SMCs  
**Algorithm:** Partial Sums Addition | Technique 7: THe 4 M’s from Teach Like a Champion  
Pages 137-140 |                  |
| September 24th | Assessing Students’ Mastery of the SMPs and SMCs | Chapter One from Teach Like a Champion  
Pages 27-55 |                  |
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<td>Meeting the Needs of All Learners Through Differentiation</td>
<td><strong>Counting Up Subtraction</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Algorithm:</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Productive Struggle for All: Differentiated Instruction</strong> By: Sararose D Lynch, Jessica H. Hunt, and Katherine E. Lewis</td>
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<td>Lesson Plan Evaluation &amp; Mid-Semester Feedback</td>
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<td>Reasoning and Constructing Viable Arguments through Math Talks</td>
<td><strong>Lattice Multiplication</strong></td>
<td><strong>Engaging All Students in Mathematical Discussions</strong> by Damon and Kim Bahr</td>
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<td>Strategies and Fact Fluency</td>
<td><strong>Partial Products Multiplication</strong></td>
<td>Three Steps to Mastering Multiplication Facts by Gina Kling and Jennifer Bay-Williams</td>
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<td>Productive Struggle</td>
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<td>Guided Math Lesson and Reflection due at 6:00pm on November 5th Note: Video will be dropped into OneDrive.</td>
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<td>November 12th</td>
<td>Games in the Mathematics Classroom</td>
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<td>Bring a Math game that aligns with the CCSS from your grade to share with the class.</td>
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<td>November 19th</td>
<td>Word Problems</td>
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<td>Avoiding the Ineffective Key Word Strategy By Karen S. Karp, Sarah B. Bush and Barbara J. Doughtery</td>
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<td>Lesson Plan Evaluation</td>
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Dispositions

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LiveText

All students, except those who are non-degree, must have access to LiveText to complete the benchmark assessments aligned to the Conceptual Framework Standards and all other accreditation, school-wide and/or program-wide related assessments. You can access more information on LiveText here: LiveText.

Syllabus Addendum Link

- www.luc.edu/education/syllabus-addendum/

This link directs students to statements on essential policies regarding academic honesty, accessibility, ethics line reporting and electronic communication policies and guidelines. We ask that you read each policy carefully.

This link will also bring you to the full text of our conceptual framework that guides the work of the School of Education – Social Action through Education.