TLLSC 360: Developing Rigorous and Relevant Instruction and Assessment
Sequence 7: Putting it Together: Developing and Implementing Rigorous and Relevant Instruction and Assessment

Teaching, Learning, and Leading with Schools and Communities
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Module Information
Dates: August 30, 2021 – November 20, 2021
Days: Monday Seminar
Times: 4:15 – 6:45
On-Campus Location: Mundelein 205

School of Education Commitment
COVID-19: Loyola’s School of Education (SOE) recognizes that this is an unprecedented time. We understand that moving into the 2021-2022 academic year while living in the context of the COVID-19 pandemic may stir feelings of uncertainty, fear, or anxiousness. We want you to know that your safety, health, and well-being, as well as that of our faculty and staff, remain our primary concern. We want to be able to support you in any way that we can. We ask you to embody the Jesuit value of Cura Personalis, or care for the whole person, as we prepare to learn together. We ask that you consider your way of being in this community, to act with care, and treat all with dignity to keep yourself and others safe. If you are not feeling well, please use Loyola’s SYMPTOM Checker. It can be found on the webpage or APP Loyola Health under the COVID-19 Related Information Tab at the top of the page.
The University understands that you may encounter obstacles that make reaching academic goals more difficult. We strongly encourage you to access the Student Resources on Loyola’s COVID-19 Response webpage for information, supports, and resources on basic needs such as housing, food, financial aid, and medical and mental health. This webpage also offers information on official University communications, access to technology, and student services. All Loyola University Chicago administrators, faculty, and advisors are also here for you.

The SOE is committed to working with all students to address any challenges that may arise during the semester. Please reach out to your professor as early as possible to discuss any accommodations you think may be necessary in order for you to successfully complete your coursework. Active and engaged communication with all of your professor is encouraged. We know the FALL 2021 Return to Campus will be like no other, but through collaboration, communication, and shared responsibility, we will not only get through this difficult time; we will thrive.

**COVID-19 Required Personal Safety Practices**: We all have a part to play in preventing the spread of COVID-19. Following a simple set of required personal safety practices can lower your own risk of being infected and can help protect others. All members of the Loyola community are expected to follow these practices while on any of the University’s campuses. **Face masks or face coverings must be worn by all students, faculty, and staff while on any of Loyola’s campuses, when in the presence of others, in classrooms, and in public settings where other social distancing measures are difficult to maintain.** Appropriate use of face masks or coverings is critical in minimizing the risks to others around you, as you can spread COVID-19 to others even if you do not feel sick. Please be sure to review all LUC REQUIRED Safety Protocols.

**COVID-19 Reporting Protocol**: In preparation for our upcoming semester, Loyola University Chicago’s Emergency Response Management team has been working to develop protocols in accordance with Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) guidelines that help ensure the health and safety of our community. Given the rising number of COVID-19 cases across our country, it is very likely that incidence within our community will occur in the fall.

Students, faculty, and staff who have tested positive for COVID-19 must report their case to the University as soon as possible. **If you have tested positive for the virus, please contact us at covid-19report@LUC.edu or by calling 773-508-7707. All COVID-19-related questions or feedback should continue to be sent to covid-19support@LUC.edu, not the new case reporting email address.**

**Module Description**
During this rigorous module, candidates continue to learn while also applying their accumulated knowledge and skills. The experiences in this sequence are designed to allow candidates to measure their growth in the areas of planning, instruction, and assessment while reflecting on what teacher candidates should know and be able to do prior to student teaching and prior to certification, including work with parents, families, and communities. Candidates will work with their mentor teacher two days per week while being supervised at the school site by a University Coach. Monday night seminars will be held on campus and lead by Loyola faculty. This sequence will better prepare candidate for
independent work by discussing components of the Teacher Performance Assessment (edTPA). Candidates will compose a practice edTPA project during this semester. Candidates will administer, analyze, and reflect upon an assessment. This sequence addresses TLLSC Enduring Understandings 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, and 9

**Module Goals**

**Essential Questions:**
- How does knowledge and understanding of my students impact my instructional planning, assessment choices, and delivery?
- How do educators draw on their understanding of education theories when making decisions concerning instructional planning, assessment, and delivery?
- How do educators collaborate with others to support student learning?
- How do educators balance relevance and rigor when choosing content and pedagogy?
- How should planning, assessment and instruction be modified for culturally and linguistically diverse students?

As a part of this module, candidates will understand that effective educators:
- Use research and evidence-based practices to design instruction that includes the alignment of goals, objectives, assessments and instructional strategies to meet the individual needs of students.
- Use data to drive instruction and assess teaching and learning effectiveness.
- Apply deep understanding of both content and pedagogy to provide developmentally appropriate instruction to all students.

As a part of this module, candidates will:
- 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 unit that uses backward design (e.g. UbD) to align objectives with 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)
● demonstrates understanding of the benefits of multilingualism and incorporates ELs' cultural and linguistic assets into their practice in order to help ELs be socially and academically successful. (Part 27 Standard 5.C.i)
● demonstrates understanding of how to work collaboratively with families of ELs and communities to improve the learning environment, provide support, and advocate for ELs and their families. (Part 27 Standard 5.C.ii)

**IDEA Course Evaluation Link for Students**
Each course you take in the School of Education is evaluated through the IDEA Campus Labs system. When you receive an email alerting you that the evaluation is available, we ask that you promptly complete it. To learn more about IDEA or to access the website directly to complete your course evaluation go to: [http://luc.edu/idea/](http://luc.edu/idea/) and click on **STUDENT IDEA LOGIN** on the left hand side of the page.

**IDEA Objectives:** Gaining a basic understanding of the subject (e.g., factual knowledge, methods, principles, generalizations, theories)
- Learning to apply course material (to improve thinking, problem solving, and decisions)
- Learning how to find, evaluate, and use resources to explore a topic in depth
- Learning appropriate methods for collecting, analyzing, and interpreting numerical information

**Dispositions**
All courses in the SOE assess student dispositions.: *Professionalism, Inquiry, and Social Justice*.
You can find the rubrics related to these dispositions in the TLSC 360 LiveText Assignment. Disposition data is reviewed by program faculty on a regular basis. This allows faculty to work with students to develop throughout their program and address any issues as they arise. A description of how we use disposition data in the SOE is included in the **SOE syllabus addendum**

**Dispositions Assessed:**

- **D3** value diversity and advocate for all students, particularly those from populations that are historically disenfranchised, underserved and/or overrepresented (including, but not limited to race, ethnicity, culture, language, SES, immigration status, exceptionality, ability, sexual orientation, gender, gender identity). (a1A, i1F, i2J) (IB)
- **D6** collect and analyze community, school, family, and student data to guide educational decision making. (a2E) (IB)
- **D7** value the unique identities and backgrounds of all students, families and communities as essential assets in learning environments. (i2D, i2F) (IB)
• **D14** demonstrate high levels of personal engagement and investment in all students’ learning while remaining persistent in seeking strategies for reaching students who are not initially successful.

**Writing Intensive Designation**

TLSC 360 is designated “writing intensive” because the core assessments for this course are writing assignments that require candidates to produce multiple pieces of professional writing. These are the three tasks that comprise the “mock” edTPA: Task I Planning for Instruction & Assessment; Task II Instructing & Engaging Students in Learning; and Task III Assessing Student Learning. Each of these tasks require extended narrative writing responses that incorporate relevant research, theories, and data in alignment with the professional expectations for educators. As part of this course, candidates will draft and revise task responses with feedback from the instructor as well as their peers.

**Grading Policy & Scale:**

The final grade is based upon the completion of course requirements, as weighted above and following this scale:

- 93% - 100% A
- 90% - 92% A-
- 87% - 89% B+
- 83% - 86% B
- 80% - 82% B-
- 77% - 79% C+
- 73% - 76% C
- 70% - 72% C-
- 67% - 69% D+
- 63% - 66% D
- 60% - 62% D-
- Below 60% F

**Attendance:**

- Arrive promptly and maintain excellent attendance records. (see Addendum 1) Candidates are expected to attend every module session for the scheduled duration as to maintain consistency for students and school professionals. Ask your professor and classroom teacher(s) how they wish to be contacted regarding any special circumstances. Make arrangements and notify everyone involved before a scheduled absence.
- Inform your professor and classroom teacher(s) ahead of time – by phone message or email if possible if you must be absent. If there is an emergency, contact your professor as soon as reasonably possible afterward. After missing a day of the module, it is necessary to contact your professor.
- Assignments are due on the dates listed on course syllabi unless permission to hand them in late is given. Late assignments will receive a maximum of 50% credit
Module Assignments

- **Module Participation: 10% of final grade**
  - Candidates are expected to consistently and actively participate in all class activities in discussions. Since much of this module takes place in a school, candidates are expected to dress and act professionally. They must arrive on time and stay for the duration of the class session. Class sessions will build directly on assigned readings; candidates must come to class having read all assigned texts and articles, as well as completing a reader response.
  
  - Participation will make up 10% of your final grade for this course and be determined using the following common rubric.

**Professional Attitude and Demeanor Part I**

- 4-Always prompt and regularly attend classes.
- 3-Rarely late to class and regularly attend classes (No more than 1 absence).
- 2-Sometimes late to class and regularly attend classes. (No more than 2 absences).
- 0-Often late to class and/or poor attendance of classes (More than 2 absences).

**Professional Attitude and Demeanor Part II**

- 4-Always prepared for class with assignments and required class materials.
- 3-Rarely unprepared for class with assignments and required class materials.
- 2-Often unprepared for class with assignments and required class materials.
- 0-Rarely prepared for class with assignments and required class materials.

**Level of Engagement in Class**

- 4-Always a willing participant. Contributes by offering ideas and asking questions each class in small groups and the whole class.
- 3-Often a willing participant. Contributes by offering ideas and asking questions each class in small groups or the whole class.
- 2-Rarely a willing participant. Rarely contributes to class by offering ideas or asking questions.
- 0-Never a willing participant. Never contributes to class by offering ideas or asking questions.

**Listening Skills**

- 4-Listen when others talk, both in groups and in class. Incorporate or build off of the ideas of others.
- 3-Listen when others talk, both in groups and in class.
- 2-Rarely listen when others talk, both in groups and in class.
- 0-Does not listen or interrupt when others talk, both in groups and in class.

- **Content Specific, Standards-Aligned Practice edTPA Unit: 70% of final grade**
Candidates, with the support of their cooperating teacher, will plan, instruct, assess and analyze a 3-5 day unit in the edTPA format. edTPA handbooks and response templates will guide the design of this unit. The lesson plans must be submitted using the template contained in this syllabus (see Addendum 2). Candidates must also provide evidence of the effective use of WIDA standards, suitable to instructional goals and to enhance teaching and learning. The completed assessment serves as the summative assessment for this sequence.

- **Content Specific Assignments: 20% of final grade**
  - These assignments will differ depending on content area. Secondary mathematics will write a technology lesson plan that incorporates inductive inquiry or guided discovery.

Assignments are due on the dates listed on course syllabi unless permission to hand them in late is given. Late assignments will receive a maximum of 50% credit.

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**Module Required Book**

**Module Reference Books**

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**School of Education Policies and Information**

**Smart Evaluation**
Towards the end of the course, students will receive an email from the Office of Institutional Effectiveness reminding them to provide feedback on the course. They will receive consistent reminders throughout the period when the evaluation is open, and the reminders will stop once they have completed the evaluation.

- The evaluation is completely anonymous. When the results are released, instructors and departments will not be able to tell which student provided the individual feedback.
- Because it is anonymous and the results are not released to faculty or departments until after grades have been submitted, the feedback will not impact a student’s grade.

The feedback is important so that the instructor can gain insight in to how to improve their teaching and the department can learn how best to shape the curriculum.

**The 13 possible objectives you will select from are listed below:**
1. Gaining a basic understanding of the subject (e.g., factual knowledge, methods, principles, generalizations, theories)
2. Developing knowledge and understanding of diverse perspectives, global awareness, or other cultures
3. Learning to apply course material (to improve thinking, problem solving, and decisions)
4. Developing specific skills, competencies, and points of view needed by professionals in the field most closely related to this course
5. Acquiring skills in working with others as a member of a team
6. Developing creative capacities (inventing; designing; writing; performing in art, music drama, etc.)
7. Gaining a broader understanding and appreciation of intellectual/cultural activity (music, science, literature, etc.)
8. Developing skill in expressing oneself orally or in writing
9. Learning how to find, evaluate and use resources to explore a topic in depth
10. Developing ethical reasoning and/or ethical decision making
11. Learning to analyze and critically evaluate ideas, arguments, and points of view
12. Learning to apply knowledge and skills to benefit others or serve the public good
13. Learning appropriate methods for collecting, analyzing, and interpreting numerical information

**SOE Vision**
The School of Education of Loyola University Chicago is a community that seeks to transform members to impact local and global communities through the principles of social justice.

**School of Education Mission**
The School of Education at Loyola University Chicago, a Jesuit Catholic urban university, supports the Jesuit ideal of knowledge in the service of humanity. We endeavor to advance professional education in service of social justice, engaged with Chicago, the nation, and the world. To achieve this vision, the School of Education participates in the discovery, development, demonstration, and dissemination of professional knowledge and practice within a context of ethics, service to others, and social justice. We fulfill this mission by preparing professionals to serve as teachers, administrators, psychologists, and researchers who work across the developmental continuum, and by conducting research on issues of professional practice and social justice.

**Conceptual Framework Standards**
The School of Education at Loyola University Chicago, a Jesuit and Catholic urban university, supports the Jesuit ideal of knowledge in the service of humanity. SOE’s Conceptual Framework (CF) — *Social Action through Education* — is exemplified by our endeavor to advance professional education in the service of social justice, engaged with Chicago, the nation, and the world. To achieve this vision the School of Education participates in the discovery, development, demonstration, and dissemination of professional knowledge and practice within a context of ethics, service to others, and social justice. We fulfill this mission by preparing professionals to serve as teachers, administrators, psychologists, and researchers; by conducting research on issues of professional practice and social...
justice; and by partnering with schools and community agencies to enhance life-long learning in the Chicago area.

SOE Conceptual Framework Standards (CFS)

- CFS1: Candidates critically evaluate current bodies of knowledge in their field.
- CFS2: Candidates apply culturally responsive practices that engage diverse communities.
- CFS3: Candidates demonstrate knowledge of ethics and social justice.
- CFS4: Candidates engage with local and/or global communities in ethical and socially just practices.

Specifically grounded in The Conceptual Framework: Social Action through Education, this module focuses on the individualized learning needs of diverse students in urban schools, emphasizing the role of the teacher in making educational decisions and advocating for students. Candidates must utilize current literature in bilingual, special, and literacy education to critically evaluate practices and apply knowledge and skills with diverse students. For your reference: our conceptual framework is described here - www.luc.edu/education/mission/

Electronic Communication Policies and Guidelines

The School of Education faculty, students and staff respect each other’s rights, privacy and access to electronic resources, services, and communications while in the pursuit of academic and professional growth, networking and research. All members of the university community are expected to demonstrate the highest standards of integrity, communication, and responsibility while accessing and utilizing technology, information resources, and computing facilities. A link to the Loyola University Chicago and School of Education official policies and guidelines can be found at: http://www.luc.edu/media/lucedu/education/pdfs/SOE_Cyberbullying_Policy.pdf

LiveText & Digication

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.

Candidates MUST use their Loyola University Chicago email address with LiveText. This course requires the use of LiveText in order for candidates to submit all course assessments. In the case study planning, implementation, analyses, and presentation with individual students, teacher candidates will utilize technology. Teacher candidates will use technology in order to collect (e.g. AimsWeb), record (e.g., digital voice recorder), analyze (e.g., research coding software), and share assessment data (e.g., Google site).

Digication is Loyola’s ONLINE portfolio platform. Many of the School of Education programs utilize Digication for Assessment and data collection to manage accreditation and licensure requirements.
Your professor and Program chair will work with you to better understand submission requirements that are specific to courses and programs.

**Sakai**
Candidates will be responsible for regularly accessing their Sakai accounts at [http://sakai.luc.edu](http://sakai.luc.edu). Sakai will be used to post the syllabus, course documents, and other relevant information.

**Diversity**
By focusing on individual, diverse students in urban classrooms, this seminar addresses multiple perspectives on diversity, including but not limited to the diversity in students’ backgrounds (i.e., culture, language, ability) and classroom and school contexts (e.g., bilingual education, instructional contexts for students with special needs).

Dialogue is expected to be open and honest while remaining respectful and appropriate at all times in order to foster deeper understanding of issues pertaining to diversity. Diversity will be defined to include issues of race, gender, religion, orientation, income, and abilities. As part of Loyola’s commitment to social justice, issues of diversity will be discussed in relation to equity, sensitivity, and prosocial practices. In our class discussions and your writing, please adhere to the recommendations made by TASH regarding the use of “People First” language. If interested, an article outlining those recommendations will be provided to you by your instructor.

**Technology**
Candidates will use Microsoft Excel to manipulate, represent and analyze data and use online resources for research.

**Additional ONLINE Course Policies**

**Privacy Statement**
Assuring privacy among faculty and students engaged in online and face-to-face instructional activities helps promote open and robust conversations and mitigates concerns that comments made within the context of the class will be shared beyond the classroom. As such, recordings of instructional activities occurring in online or face-to-face classes may be used solely for internal class purposes by the faculty member and students registered for the course, and only during the period in which the course is offered. Students will be informed of such recordings by a statement in the syllabus for the course in which they will be recorded. Instructors who wish to make subsequent use of recordings that include student activity may do so only with informed written consent of the students involved or if all student activity is removed from the recording. Recordings including student activity that have been initiated by the instructor may be retained by the instructor only for individual use.

**Class Conduct**
One important aspect of a Jesuit education is learning to respect the rights and opinions of others. Please respect others by (1) allowing all classmates the right to voice their opinions without fear of
ridicule, and (2) not using profanity or making objectionable (gendered, racial or ethnic) comments, especially comments directed at a classmate.

Student Support

Special Circumstances—Receiving Assistance

Students are urged to contact me should they have questions concerning course materials and procedures. If you have any special circumstance that may have some impact on your course work, please let me know so we can establish a plan for assignment completion. If you require assignment accommodations, please contact me early in the semester so that arrangements can be made with Student Accessibility Center (SAC) (http://www.luc.edu/sac/).

Center for Student Access and Assistance (CSAA)

Should you encounter an unexpected crisis during the semester (e.g., securing food or housing, addressing mental health concerns, managing a financial crisis, and/or dealing with a family emergency, etc.), I strongly encourage you to contact the Office of the Dean of Students by submitting a CARE Referral for yourself or a peer in need of support: www.LUC.edu/csaa. If you are uncomfortable doing so on your own, please know that I can submit a referral on your behalf.

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.

Syllabus Addendum Link

- https://www.luc.edu/education/academics/syllabi/

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<td>● edTPA Introduction</td>
<td>● Candidates get release form (<a href="https://example.com">Release Form ISBE</a> (English), CPS Student Teacher Video Consent Form (English))</td>
<td>● edTPA Handbook (<a href="https://example.com">Middle</a> &amp; <a href="https://example.com">HS</a>), <a href="https://example.com">Heineke &amp; McTighe</a> PP 1-31</td>
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<td>● Discussion of content area specific topics</td>
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| #3 September 13               | ● edTPA Planning TaskRubrics 1-5               | ● Use Rubrics Explained or Rubric Progressions | ● [Making Good Choices](https://example.com)  
  ● Heineke & McTighe PP 33-65, 156-197 |               |
|                               | ● Decide on edTPA Handbook                      | ● Instructors send handbook decision to YEA. |               |               |
|                               | ● Promoting Language Development                |                                 |               |               |
|                               | 1. [WIDA Standards](2012)                      |                                 |               |               |
| #4 September 20               | ● Lesson Planning and Academic Language         | ● Must decide on instructional sequence (will video one day) | ● Heineke & McTighe PP 201-238 | ● Try to choose an instructional sequence  
  ● Begin work on Context and Planning Commentary |
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| #5 September 27 | ● Research and Theory in edTPA  
● Differentiating Instruction  
● Differentiated Learning for Language Development  
● Discussion of content area specific topics | ● Context for Learning Due  
● Choose an instructional sequence  
● Work on Context and Planning Commentary |
| #6 October 4 | ● Formative Assessment  
● Discussion of content area specific topics | ● Work on Context, Lesson Plans, and Planning Commentary |
| October 11 | Fall Break  
No class |  
  | **#7 October 18** | ● edTPA Instructional Task Rubrics 6-10  
● Discussion of content area specific topics | ● Planning Task Due  
● Work on Instruction Commentary |
| #8 October 25 | ● Videotaping Skills  
  ○ Editing, File Transfer, Compressing  
● Discussion of content area specific topics | ● Heineke & McTighe  
PP 111-155  
● Work on Instruction Commentary |
| #9 November 1 | ● edTPA Assessment Task Rubrics 11-15  
● Discussion of content area specific topics  
● Assessing Culturally and Linguistically Diverse Student Learning | ● Instructional Task Due  
● Work on Assessment Commentary |
| #10    | November 8 | Analysis of evidence of student Learning  
|        |            | Giving feedback  
|        |            | Discussion of content area specific topics  
|        |            | • Work on Assessment Commentary  
| #11    | November 15 | Supporting feedback  
|        |            | Research to support modifications to student learning  
|        |            | Discussion of content area specific topics  
|        |            | • Assessment Task Due  