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 2020-2021 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.

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 web page 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. We know this will be a semester like none other, but through collaboration, communication, and shared responsibility, we will not only get through this difficult time; we will thrive.
Course Description
The purpose of this course is to introduce the preservice teacher candidate to the teaching and learning processes associated with research based comprehensive literacy instruction in K-2 elementary classrooms and will emphasize the scientific foundations of reading instruction: phonemic awareness, phonics, vocabulary, text comprehension and fluency. Developmental stages of learning to read and write, interactive teaching strategies, and instructional materials, methods and assessments will be presented. Emphasis will be placed on the development of a knowledge base needed to assist beginning teachers in making insightful decisions regarding their objectives and practices. Updated information on current trends, research, and state and Common Core Standards will be emphasized. These strategies, trends, and research will be meaningfully connected with the teaching of literacy via science, social studies, and other content areas. The needs of all children including those with special needs based on exceptionalities or on diversity of language or culture will be embedded in all course experiences to promote literacy development. Current multi-cultural children’s literature will be used in simulated classroom teaching experiences. Clinical experiences, supervised by the faculty team, will provide opportunities for students to connect teaching theory with classroom practice.

Course Objectives and Standards
In combined experiences from course readings, demonstrations, modeling, mini-lessons, and discussions, by the end of the semester, a student enrolled in CIEP M38 will demonstrate beginning competence in the knowledge base, skills, and strategies stated in the Illinois Professional Teaching Standards and ECE with which this course is aligned as follows:

Curriculum and Content Knowledge
STANDARD 1 - Curriculum
The competent early childhood teacher understands and demonstrates the central concepts, tools of inquiry, and structures of the content areas and creates and integrates meaningful learning experiences that develop children’s competence across all developmental areas and content areas. [26.110] (ECE)

STANDARD 2 - Curriculum: English Language Arts
The competent early childhood teacher demonstrates proficiency in the use of oral and written English; understands and communicates ideas, information, and perspectives in reading, writing, speaking, and listening; and promotes the abilities of children from birth through grade three as they apply language and thinking skills to many different genres, concepts, and situations. [26.120] (ECE)

II. Content Area and Pedagogical Knowledge - The competent teacher has in-
depth understanding of content area knowledge that includes central concepts, methods of inquiry, structures of the disciplines, and content area literacy. The teacher creates meaningful learning experiences for each student based upon interactions among content area and pedagogical knowledge, and evidence-based practice. (IPTS)

**Human development and learning**

**STANDARD 8:** The competent early childhood teacher understands how individuals grow, develop, and learn and provides learning opportunities that support the intellectual, social, emotional, and physical development of all children from birth through grade three. [26.180] (ECE)

**Diversity**

**STANDARD 9:** The competent early childhood teacher understands how children and families differ in their perspectives and approaches to learning and creates opportunities for growth and learning that are developmentally and culturally appropriate and are adapted for children from birth through grade three. [26.190] (ECE)

I. Teaching Diverse Students - The competent teacher understands the diverse characteristics and abilities of each student and how individuals develop and learn within the context of their social, economic, cultural, linguistic, and academic experiences. The teacher uses these experiences to create instructional opportunities that maximize student learning. (IPTS)

**Planning for Instruction**

**STANDARD 10:** The competent early childhood teacher understands instructional planning and designs learning opportunities based on knowledge of the children, their families, and their communities, and of content areas and curriculum goals. [26.200] (ECE)

III. Planning for Differentiated Instruction - The competent teacher plans and designs instruction based on content area knowledge, diverse student characteristics, student performance data, curriculum goals, and the community context. The teacher plans for ongoing student growth and achievement. (IPTS)

**Learning Environment**

**STANDARD 11:** The competent early childhood teacher uses an understanding of individual and group motivation and behavior as well as of children's developmental levels and needs to create a learning environment that encourages positive social interaction, active engagement in learning, intrinsic motivation, and self-esteem. [26.210] (ECE)

IV. Learning Environment - The competent teacher structures a safe and healthy learning environment that facilitates cultural and linguistic responsiveness, emotional well-being, self-efficacy, positive social interaction, mutual respect, active engagement, academic risk-taking, self-motivation, and personal goal-setting. (IPTS)
**Instructional Delivery**

**STANDARD 12:** The competent early childhood teacher uses a variety of instructional strategies to encourage students’ development of critical thinking, problem-solving, and performance skills. [26.220] (ECE)

**V. Instructional Delivery** -

The competent teacher differentiates instruction by using a variety of strategies that support critical and creative thinking, problem-solving, and continuous growth and learning. This teacher understands that the classroom is a dynamic environment requiring ongoing modification of instruction to enhance learning for each student. (IPTS)

**Communication**

**STANDARD 13:** The competent early childhood teacher uses knowledge of effective written, verbal, nonverbal, and visual communication techniques to foster active inquiry, collaboration, and supportive interaction in the classroom. [26.230] (ECE)

**VI. Reading, Writing, and Oral Communication** - The competent teacher has foundational knowledge of reading, writing, and oral communication within the content area and recognizes and addresses student reading, writing, and oral communication needs to facilitate the acquisition of content knowledge. (IPTS)

**Assessment**

**STANDARD 14:** The competent early childhood teacher understands various formal and informal assessment strategies and uses them to support the continuous development of all children. [26.240] (ECE)

**VII. Assessment** - The competent teacher understands and uses appropriate formative and summative assessments for determining student needs, monitoring student progress, measuring student growth, and evaluating student outcomes. The teacher makes decisions driven by data about curricular and instructional effectiveness and adjusts practices to meet the needs of each student. (IPTS)

**Collaboration and Professional Reflection**

**STANDARD 15 - Collaborative Relationships**

The competent early childhood teacher understands the role of the community in education and develops and maintains collaborative relationships with colleagues, parents/guardians, and representatives of community service agencies in order to support children’s learning and wellbeing. [26.250] (ECE)

**STANDARD 16 - Reflection and Professional Growth**

The competent early childhood teacher is a reflective practitioner who continually evaluates how choices and actions affect students, parents, and other professionals in the learning community and actively seeks opportunities to grow professionally. [26.260] (ECE)
VIII. Collaborative Relationships - The competent teacher builds and maintains collaborative relationships to foster cognitive, linguistic, physical, and social and emotional development. This teacher works as a team member with professional colleagues, students, parents or guardians, and community members. (IPTS)

Professional Conduct and Leadership
STANDARD 17 - Collaborative Relationships
The competent early childhood teacher understands education as a profession, maintains standards of professional conduct, and provides leadership to improve children’s learning and well-being. [26.270] (ECE)

Required texts


Additional readings:


http://www.edutopia.org/blog/8-strategies-teaching-academic-language-todd-finley

Required Readings on Sakai Several articles and resources posted under Readings.

Social Action through Education
“Social Action through Education” is the conceptual framework infused into all programs within the School of Education. The underlying beliefs or principles that form the foundation of this framework include sensitivity and concern for others as essential societal values, and also the belief that caring for others will enhance the moral core of our communities and via a ripple effect, our society and the world as well. Courses in the ECSE program have been designed to assist students in taking the first steps toward embodying the principles of social justice by collaborating cross-culturally to make a lasting impact beyond the level of the individual. This involves a specialized set of competencies, some of which will be emphasized in this course. The following Conceptual Framework Standards are specifically addressed in these courses:
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### Assignments

1. **Philosophy of Teaching Literacy**
   - Write a 3-5 page essay depicting your philosophy of teaching literacy to meet the needs of all students. This should include specific personal experiences in reading and writing that have influenced your beliefs as well as established theories. Explain how you plan to blend theory with practice in a K-3 classroom setting. Use specific experiences as a student and preservice teacher to provide evidence of your philosophy. This essay should follow APA 6th edition formatting-- citing all sources -- and be submitted on Sakai. [26.120] (ECE), [26.180] (ECE), [26.220] (ECE), [II] (IPTS), [V] (IPTS)

2. **Reflective Journals**
Reflect each week upon your clinical experience and its connection to course reading and class discussion.
- Read class members’ journal entries and respond to at least 2 other reflections in class.
- Consider how content from your weekly readings are reflected in practice
- What impact does the clinical experience have on your beliefs about teaching literacy?
- Specific prompts may be given during class [26.260] (ECE)

3. Lesson Plans
- Candidates will evaluate one lesson plan/planning format from their clinical site using an assigned framework, and then create three (3) lesson plans of their own which align with various planning frameworks to be discussed in class. The candidates teach one lesson to the university class and receive peer and faculty feedback. If possible, candidates will teach this lesson at their practicum site after reflection and revisions have been made during the class presentation session. The candidates are allowed one rewrite on the plan after faculty has made comments. Detailed instructions will be provided after clinical placements have begun. [26.110] (ECE), [26.120] (ECE), [26.180] (ECE), [26.190] (ECE), [26.200] (ECE), [26.220] (ECE), [26.230] (ECE), [I] (IPTS), [II] (IPTS), [III] (IPTS), [V] (IPTS), [VI] (IPTS)

4. Reader Case Study
- Gather background information regarding a struggling reader (personal interests, family life, school attendance, friendships, etc.)
- Identify the student’s reading level, reading strategies, concepts of print, phonological awareness, and writing/spelling levels using chosen assessments (these assessments should be included in the appendices)
- Create an instructional plan reflective of collected data to improve the child’s literacy skills. Make connections to psychological and linguistic foundations of reading and writing processes and instruction, and language development and reading acquisition and the variations related to cultural and linguistic diversity. [26.120] (ECE), [26.190] (ECE), [26.200] (ECE), [26.240] (ECE), [26.250] (ECE), [26.270] (ECE), [I] (IPTS), [II] (IPTS), [III] (IPTS), [VII] (IPTS)

5. In-class assignments
- These assignments will be assigned and completed during class sessions. In some cases they will involve pre-planning and materials to be brought to class. All instructions from in-class work will be provided during class sessions.

6. Book Talks and Read Aloud Texts
- Each candidate will choose one chapter book that would be a good read aloud for a K-2 classroom and three (3) picture books that would make good read alouds for K-2. At least one of the picture books must be science-related, and at least one picture book must be social studies-related. Candidates will share
all four titles in class. One handout for each title (four handouts total) will be submitted. A sample of a handout is presented in class.

7. Quizzes
- There will be three quizzes throughout the semester that address course readings

8. Attendance, Professionalism, and Participation

Attendance:
- Arrive promptly and maintain excellent attendance records. 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 to discuss implications for your grade and participation in the sequence.
- Assignments are due on the dates listed on course syllabi unless permission to hand them in late is given. Be sure to follow the policies of your specific professor of each module as it relates to policies on assignments. If you are absent, it is your responsibility to send assignments that are due, obtain handouts, assignments, class notes, and information about activities from a classmate prior to the meeting of the next class. You must be prepared for the next class.
- Check your e-mail regularly. Please understand that you will not be excused from your responsibility for course requirements or other course changes/announcements due to failure to check your e-mail regularly.

Participation:
Candidates are expected to consistently and actively participate in all class activities and discussions. 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. Candidates must also write thoughtfully in their dialogue journals every class. Candidates must submit all work on time, or in advance for feedback. Assignments will not be re-evaluated or regraded for additional credit if candidates fail to follow assignment directions.

In addition to the expectations for professionalism and teaching growth in the Sequence 6 site, the following guidelines for participation will be considered in the module grades.

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

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

Level of Engagement in Class
• 4-Always a willing participant. Contributes by offering ideas and asking questions.
• 2-Often a willing participant. Contributes by offering ideas and asking questions.
• 0-Rarely a willing participant. Rarely offers ideas or asks questions.

Integration of Readings into Classroom Participation
• 4-Often cite from readings; use readings to support points. High quality written responses.
• 2-Occasionally cite from readings; sometimes use readings to support points. Moderate quality written responses.
• 0-Rarely cite from readings; rarely use readings to support points. Poor quality/missing written responses.

Listening Skills
• 4-Listen when others talk, both in groups and in sessions. Incorporate/build off of the ideas of others.
• 2-Listen when others talk, both in groups and in sessions
• 0-Rarely listen when others talk, both in groups and in sessions

Assignments and Grading

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University Policies and Information

Smart Evaluation
Towards the end of the course, students will receive an email from the Office of Institutional Effectiveness as a reminder to provide feedback on the course. Students will receive consistent reminders throughout the period when the evaluation is open, and the reminders will stop once the evaluation is completed.

- 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.

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.

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 subse-
quent 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.

Synchronous Meetings

Candidates will meet Synchronous via Zoom on the following dates: 1/19, 2/2, 2/16, 2/25, 3/2, 3/23, 4/6, and 4/13. During these meetings we will discuss chapter content, debrief and reflect on clinical experiences.

Student Participation

Candidates will be expected to demonstrate professionalism (e.g., attendance, participation) both in-class and at school sites. Late work is accepted, but not encouraged. Points will be deducted at the rate of 10% per day for any assignment turned in late unless alternative arrangements have been made. It is also understood that clinical sites’ calendars will sometimes conflict with your assignment calendar, and adjustments to due dates may be necessary. It is your responsibility to attend class, arriving and departing at the appropriate times. Missed classes or tardiness will result in point deductions as outlined in the section above. Students are also expected to complete all clinical hours, follow the behavioral expectations laid out in their clinical experiences handbook, and to complete the coursework associated with their clinical experiences. As for participation, it is more than talking in class. Participation means allowing oneself to become engaged in the learning process. Good examples of presentation include contributing comments and examples from your experiences, as well as building on the comments of others. Raising questions and listening and responding to others’ comments and presentations also count. You should also be sensitive to your own level of participation and either increase it or decrease it when appropriate.

Examples of behavior leading to the loss of participation points include the following:

allowing your cell phone to disturb others, using lab/personal computers, and failure to engage in the positive forms described above. You will lose participation points when you are engaged in activities such as side conversations with classmates, text messaging, and/or making/accepting phone calls during class, as well as for failing to do the assigned readings. Participation points will also be deducted when you do not attend class. Therefore, regular attendance is mandatory.

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 Services for Students with Disabilities (SSWD) ([http://www.luc.edu/sswd/](http://www.luc.edu/sswd/)).

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](http://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/studentlife/resources/syllabi/](https://www.luc.edu/education/studentlife/resources/syllabi/)

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Diversity
By focusing on individual, diverse students in urban classrooms, this module 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.
**Dispositions**

All students are assessed on one or more dispositional areas of growth across our programs: *Professionalism, Inquiry, and Social Justice*. The instructor in your course will identify the dispositions assessed in this course and you can find the rubrics related to these dispositions in LiveText. *For those students in non-degree programs, the rubric for dispositions may be available through Sakai, TaskStream or another platform.* 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.

**Disposition Rubric**

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<td><strong>Demonstrating professionalism through personal responsibility and accountability related to attendance, participation and communication</strong></td>
<td>Candidates report to class or field sites early, are dressed in professional attire, and are prepared for course activities. Candidates proactively communicate to faculty and others directly impacted about potential issues of attendance, participation or assignments, and provide solutions to address the issue or attempt to resolve the issue independently. Candidates use appropriate tone, word choice, and etiquette when interacting with faculty, co-teachers, peers, and students.</td>
<td>Candidates report to class or field sites on time, are dressed in professional attire, and are prepared for the activities of the course as described in the syllabus. Candidates initiate communication with faculty and others directly impacted when an issue of attendance, participation or assignments arises, accept constructive feedback and initiate changes to improve performance. Candidates use appropriate tone, word choice, and etiquette when interacting with faculty, co-teachers, peers, and students.</td>
<td>Candidates repeatedly report to class or field sites late, or fail to make up absences, are dressed unprofessionally, or are repeatedly unprepared for class activities. Candidates do not respond to faculty communication concerning issues of attendance, participation or assignments within 48 hours, and/or use inappropriate tone, word choice and etiquette when interacting with faculty, co-teachers, peers, or students.</td>
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<td>Candidates read and critique professional literature and make connections between the literature and field experiences.</td>
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Technology, including LiveText

Candidates will be responsible for regularly accessing their Sakai accounts. Sakai be used to post the syllabus, course documents, and other relevant information. Candidates will also be responsible for activating their LiveText accounts. This course does not require the use of LiveText in order for candidates to submit any module assessments. https://www.livetext.com/

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).

It is imperative that work be completed on time. Assignments are expected on the dates noted. Point deductions will be made as follows, with no exceptions. These apply only to major assignments for the course. For quizzes, no late work will be accepted:
a. 1 to 3 days late: 50% of points will be deducted  
b. 4 to 6 days late: 75% of points will be deducted  
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- Philosophy of Literacy Paper  
- Submit IRIS Case Student Assignment  
*Asynchronous* |
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| 2/16 #5 | Reading Literature | Read chapter 10 Gunning  
Read chapters 1 and 2 *The Daily Five, second edition*  
Read chapter 1 of *The CAFÉ Book*  
**Assignment Due:**  
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| 2/23 #6 | Assessment | Read chapter 3 Gunning  
Administer Assessments with Focus Student QUIZ#1  
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| 2/25 #7| Phonics, High-Frequency Words, Phonemic Awareness and Syllabic Analysis | Read chapter 5 GUNNING Read [https://www.readingrockets.org/article/development-phonological-skills](https://www.readingrockets.org/article/development-phonological-skills)  
Administer Assessments with Focus Student  
Virtual Library Visit  
_Synchronous_ |
| 3/2 #8 | Vocabulary                                  | Read chapter 6 GUNNING Read Todd Finley’s “8 Tips” article  
Read “Vocabulary: Five Misconceptions” article  
_Assignment Due:_  
- Reflection #3  
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<p>| 3/9 #9 | Spring Break - no class                   |                                                                                   |</p>
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| 3/16   | Comprehension Part I: Theories and Strategies | Read chapter 7 of GUNNING QUIZ #2   
**Assignment Due:**
- Upload/Email completion evidence of CONNECT Module.
- Respond to Sakai Forum |
| 3/23   | Comprehension Part II: Text Structures and Teaching Procedures | Read Chapter 8 of GUNNING Close Reading in Science Texts | **Assignment Due:**  
- Present Read Aloud  
- Reflection #4  
**Synchronous** |
| 3/30   | Writing and Reading  
Creating and Managing a Literacy Program | Read Chapter 9, 12 of GUNNING QUIZ #3  
IRIS Module [https://iris.peabody.vanderbilt.edu/module/rti03/](https://iris.peabody.vanderbilt.edu/module/rti03/) | **Assignment Due:**  
- Submit evidence of IRIS Module Completion  
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