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TLLSC 350: Teaching and Learning with a Global Framework

Sequence 6: Integrating Content, Cultures and Communities

Teaching, Learning, and Leading with Schools and Communities

School of Education, Loyola University Chicago

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Module Information

Module Format: Blended synchronous and asynchronous sessions

Zoom Link: <https://luc.zoom.us/j/5573883006>

Dates: February 15-April 9, 2021

Days: Tuesdays 9:30-11:30 & Thursdays 9:30-11:15

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.

***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

Teacher candidates work with PreK-12 teachers to develop and implement a transdisciplinary/interdisciplinary curriculum unit with a service component, preparing candidates to teach in schools that offer an International Baccalaureate program. Teacher candidates observe teaching and learning in PYP, MYP, or DP IB classrooms understanding how family and community engagement and the integration of service to families and communities connects with IB curricula in their area of certification. Teacher candidates then co-plan and co-teach a three-week unit with an IB cooperating teacher educator. The unit needs to be transdisciplinary or disciplinary with interdisciplinary connections (including the arts) and is assessed through a structured inquiry project. Teacher candidates use pre- and formative assessments to differentiate instruction and assessment to meet the learning and language needs of students. In conjunction with the cooperating teacher educator, candidates administer a post-assessment and analyze data from the instructional unit to identify areas for growth. Teacher candidates use this analysis of their unit, samples of student work, and further research to develop a poster to present to peers, cooperating teacher educators, other school professional personnel, and university faculty.

Module Goals

Essential Questions:

- What does it mean to be a responsible citizen in the world?
- What is social justice?
- What is international-mindedness?
- How does serving our local community have an impact on the

international community?

- How do we know what we know? What is worth knowing?
- How are academic disciplines related to one another?

As a part of this module, candidates will understand that effective educators:

- Reflect and carry out the School of Education's mission of professionalism in service of social justice in the school and the community by promoting human rights, reducing inequalities, and increasing the empowerment of society's most vulnerable groups.
- Apply knowledge of policy and local, state, and national educational contexts to advocate with and for students and families.
- Maintain and utilize global perspectives and international-mindedness when engaging in teaching, learning and leading, including the awareness and application of the social, cultural, inter-cultural and linguistic facets of student achievement.

As a part of this module, candidates will:

- Utilize social participation structures, narrative, and questioning techniques consistent with those of their students. (3K)
- Provide opportunities to engage in rigorous inquiry-based authentic intellectual work. (3H, 5I) (IB)
- Promote critical thinking and problem solving within the context of their discipline and across disciplines. (3H, 5I) (IB)
- Apply strategies that address gaps in students' skills required for knowledge attainment while also recognizing and accounting for students' prior knowledge. (1H, 1I, 1L, 3I, 3J, 3K, 3M, 3P, 5I)
- Empower students by providing opportunities to challenge the status quo and inequalities.
- Incorporate verbal and written discourse that is stereotype-free, person first, and acknowledges and honors the inherent equality among diverse learners and communities. (9I)
- Communicate effectively with a wide range of educational professionals, parents and guardians, as well as community members and organizations to benefit student development. (8H, 8I, 9L) (IB)
- Collaborate with a wide range of professionals and community members to provide an appropriate and equitable education for students. (8H, 8I, 8S, 9F, 9N) (IB)
- Actively listen to better understand the needs of others. (8R)
- Discern the most appropriate actions needed to serve the best interests of diverse students and families. (8H, 9Q)
- Adopt strategies to stay informed of current IB innovations and connect with other schools and educators in the broader IB network. (IB)
- Plan instruction to support students' structured inquiry into global issues to inspire inter-cultural awareness and international mindedness. (2K) (IB)
- Design authentic assessments and rubrics to measure the multiple facets of student achievement, including social, cultural, inter-cultural and linguistic. (IB)
- Involve students in self-reflection and self-assessment in the various areas of student achievement to support identity exploration. (7L) (IB)
- Collaborate to build and sustain a classroom and school environment that

incorporates and values cultural, inter-cultural, linguistic and global diversity and issues. (1K, 7M, 8J) (IB)

- Engage in different ways of knowing within or across various disciplines. (2J)(IB)
- Incorporate the fine and performing arts into transdisciplinary/interdisciplinary units of instruction. (IB)

Required Texts

- Burke, J. (2013). *The English teacher's companion: A completely new guide to classroom, curriculum, and the profession* (4th ed.). Portsmouth, NH: Heinemann.
- Christensen, L. (2009). *Teaching for joy and justice: re-imagining the language arts classroom*. Milwaukee, WI: Rethinking Schools Publication.
- Collard, S. B., & Spandel, V. (2017). *Teaching nonfiction revision: A professional writer shares strategies, tips, and lessons*. Portsmouth, NH: Heinemann.
- Crovitz, D., & Devereaux, M. D. (2017). *Grammar to get things done: a practical guide for teachers anchored in real-world usage*. New York: Routledge, Taylor & Francis Group.
- Gallagher, K. (2011). *Write Like This: Teaching Real-World Writing Through Modeling and Mentor Texts*. Stenhouse.
- Gallagher, K., & Kittle, P. (2018). *180 days: Two teachers and the quest to engage and empower adolescents*. Portsmouth, NH: Heinemann.
- Heineke, A. J., & McTighe, J. (2018). *Using understanding by design in the culturally and linguistically diverse classroom*. Alexandria, VA: ASCD.
- Marchetti, A., & O'Dell, R. (2018). *Beyond literary analysis: Teaching students to write with passion and authority about any text*. Portsmouth, NH: Heinemann.
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- Roberts, K. (2018). *A Novel Approach: Whole-class novels, student-centered teaching, and choice*. Portsmouth, NH: Heinemann.
- Sprenger, M. (2017). *101 strategies to make academic vocabulary stick*. Alexandria, VA: ASCD.

In addition to the books listed above, students will be required to purchase a novel that will serve as the text of the units they will write and one book (of their choosing) that will serve as a language arts instruction resource to further cultivate their professional library. Other required readings will be posted to the course Sakai site.

- Students will require access to the course page in Sakai – sakai.luc.edu
- All students 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. For additional information about LiveText, please visit LiveText. www.livetext.com
- All students should plan to have access to a laptop or tablet in class to participate in

learning activities in class throughout the semester.

Module Assignments

Multimodal Assignment: 10% of grade

- You will be designing a high school web-based project. The project should explore some aspect of your assigned novel. The project design should allow your students to use technology to deepen their understanding of particular places, concepts, events, or issues related to the novel. Students will need to use lower-order thinking skills – knowledge, comprehension and application, but must also engage in high-order thinking – analysis, synthesis, or evaluation. Standards addressed by this assignment: NCTE; ILCAS;; IPTS: 1, 4 & 8; ITS: 2, 3, 7 & 8; CF: 2, 4.

Identifying Complementary Texts: 10% of grade

- Create an annotated bibliography of the texts you have selected. Your selection of complementary works should demonstrate your knowledge of the range and influence of print and non-print media and technology in contemporary culture (CF 5), and your ability to examine and select resources for instruction such as textbooks, other print materials, videos, films, and software appropriate for supporting the teaching of ELA. (CF 1) Your collection of texts must include print and non-print media items, interdisciplinary material(s), and texts from a variety of genres. (Standard I: Element 1 and 2; Standard III: Element 5 and 6). Remember, contemporary students are reading in multimodal ways, completely different from the approaches teachers commonly take in the classroom. How will you be sensitive to this?

Lessons in a Series: 30% of grade

- Teacher candidates develop **a set of lessons in a series that focuses on writing instruction**. Candidates will be required to demonstrate that they can adequately design a writing prompt and rubric, and then plan a series of lessons that incorporate explicit grammar, language, and literature instruction to support the development of specific writing skills and rhetorical patterns. Candidates will also be required to address the criteria used to plan IB interdisciplinary curriculum unit for an MYP (6-8 or 9-10) setting. Standards addressed by this assignment: NCTE; IPTS: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 & 8; ILCAS;; ITS:3.

Sequence Six Summative Assessment: 20% of grade (CFS 4)

- After completing the modules in this sequence, teacher candidates will apply their understanding of the research and practice in their area of specialization to design a year-long curriculum plan (two semesters, 36 weeks) for a high school Language Arts course that includes

transdisciplinary or interdisciplinary connections and the integration of technology. The curriculum plan will include a description of the content and skill focus, required materials including text and technology resources, classroom expectations, a comprehensive assessment plan and a full description of the overall course summative assessment(s). The plan will also include a year-long calendar with unit descriptions, unit standards, and descriptions of unit summative assessments. Standards addressed by this assignment: NCTE; IPTS: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 & 8; ILCAS;; ITS: 3.

Module Participation: 30% of grade

- Candidates are expected to consistently and actively participate in all class activities and discussions in all settings: online, via Zoom, and at the field site. Students will also offer mini presentations and teaching demonstrations, as well as work collaboratively and independently in class on various course assignments, including a teacher’s notebook. As part of the candidate’s participation grade, it is expected that candidates will deliver a minimum of two (2) mini-lessons with the support of their cooperating teacher. 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.

Grading Policy & Scale:

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

Grade	Percent	Points
A	93%	93-100
A-	90%	90-92
B+	87%	87-89
B	83%	83-86
B-	80%	80-82
C+	77%	77-79
C	73%	73-76
C-	70%	70-72
D+	67%	67-69
D	63%	63-66
F	62% and	0-62

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.
 - Students may have one excused absence from synchronous sessions; after the first absence, attendance points will be deducted.
 - Assignments are due on the dates listed on course schedule unless **prior permission** to hand them in late is given. There will be a deduction in points for late assignments.
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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 and Conceptual Framework Standards

Each syllabus is required to have a statement explaining how the SOE's Conceptual Framework (CF)—Social Action through Education—is exemplified within the context of the particular course. As a part of this statement, faculty need to attend to how the course addresses diversity and the social justice mission of the School of Education.

If the course(s) you are teaching houses a Core Assessment for one or more of the CF standards for your program area, it is critical that you include the CF standard(s) and describe how it weaves through the course and is assessed. For your reference: our conceptual framework is described here - www.luc.edu/education/mission/

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.

Dispositions

All courses in the SOE assess student dispositions. As a result, your syllabus is required to have a statement describing which SOE dispositions will be assessed in the course: Professionalism, Inquiry, and Social Justice. Full transparency is critical to ensure that students are able to meet the expectations in this area. Please be sure to state the disposition or dispositions that are assessed in the course and direct students to where they can locate the rubric on *LiveText*. A description of how we use disposition data in the SOE is included in the SOE syllabus addendum.

Section III: The addendum for your syllabus.

- Smart Evaluation
- The SOE Statement on Conceptual Framework and Student Dispositions
- LiveText
- Student Resources and Center for Student Access and Assistance (CSAA)
- Academic Honesty
- Accessibility
- EthicsLine Reporting Hotline
- Electronic Communication Policies and Guidelines

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

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.

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 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.

***Synchronous Meetings**

Course will meet via Zoom Wednesdays from 9:30 to 11:30 and Fridays from 10:30 to noon.

***Student Participation**

Students should fully participate in all online sessions and plan to be active in the online modules two to three times a week between sessions. Announcements will be posted in Sakai and sent to your Loyola email.

***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](http://www.luc.edu/sswd/) (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. 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/>