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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

Dates: February 16 - April 8, 2021

Days: Tuesdays & Thursdays

Times: 8:15-12:45

Module Description

Teacher candidates will 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 will learn 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 plan and teach an IB unit. The unit needs to be transdisciplinary with interdisciplinary connections (including the arts) and is assessed through a structured inquiry project.

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)

IDEA Objectives:

- Gaining factual knowledge (methods)
 - Learning to apply course materials
 - Developing specific skills, competencies, and points of view needed by professionals in the field
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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. Candidates are expected to attend every module session for the scheduled duration as to maintain consistency for students and school professionals. Ask classroom teacher(s) how they wish to be contacted regarding any special circumstances. Make arrangements and notify everyone involved before a scheduled absence.

If you are unable to attend class, it is your responsibility to:

- Notify the instructor in advance. Please note that informing the instructor does **not** excuse your absence. If there is an emergency, contact your professor as soon as reasonably possible. After missing one day of the module, it is necessary to contact your professor to discuss implications for your grade and participation in the sequence.
- 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.
- Be prepared for the next class.

Please see the rubric for course participation on Sakai.

Check your email regularly. Please understand that you will not be excused from responsibility for course requirements or other course changes/announcements due to failure to check your email regularly.

Hand-held electronic/communication devices and laptop computers must be used discriminately and professionally per our discussion in class.

Currently Assessed Disposition:

- Demonstrating professionalism through personal responsibility and accountability related to attendance, participation and communication.
- Demonstrating professionalism and reflective practice in collaborating with teachers, students, administrators, families, and communities to improve achievement for all students.
- Participating in ongoing professional development, reading, and research in order to deepen their knowledge and expand their repertoire of skills.

- Maintaining one’s own intellectual, emotional and physical well-being to effectively fulfill one’s professional responsibilities

School of Education Policies and Information

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.
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Module Assignments

- **Module Participation: 20% of final grade**
 - Candidates are expected to consistently and actively participate in all class activities in discussions. Class sessions will build directly on assigned readings.
 - **Transdisciplinary/Interdisciplinary Curriculum Unit: 40% of final grade**
 - Teacher candidates collaborate using a workshop model to write an IB PYP transdisciplinary unit. Teacher candidates work with their partner to write a PYP unit that includes all of the IB PYP essential elements of the planner. Candidates will draw from the IB scope & sequence for each content area.
 - **Lesson Implementation and Reflection: 30% of final grade**
 - Teacher candidates will be teach two lessons from their curriculum unit. Candidates should submit a detailed lesson plan for each of these lessons. After the lesson, candidates will submit a reflection separately on lesson implementation.
 - **Sequence Summative Assessment: 10% of final grade for TLSC 350; 10% of final grade for TLSC 340**
 - 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 for a specific age or grade-level or course within a particular content area that includes transdisciplinary or interdisciplinary connections and the integration of technology. Additionally, candidates will reflect on the course sequence in a 5-6 page essay.
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Module Readings

Candidates in all programs (PYP, MYP and DP) will use the following readings and resources:

- *Learner profile guide*
 - *LiveText*
- <http://luc.edu/education/admission/tuition/course-management-fee/>

The following readings and resources are specific to particular programs in IB:

- *Making the PYP happen*
- *MYP: The Next Chapter*
- *DP from principles into practice*

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Conceptual Framework Standards

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.

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.

Standards: These dimensions of the conceptual framework also serve as the foundation to the School of Education Conceptual Framework 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:

- www.luc.edu/media/lucedu/education/pdfs/SOE_Cyberbullying_Policy.pdf
www.luc.edu/media/lucedu/education/pdfs/SOE_Netiquette_Guidelines.pdf
www.luc.edu/its/itspoliciesguidelines/index.shtml

Technology

Candidates will be responsible for regularly accessing their Sakai accounts at <http://sakai.luc.edu>. Sakai will be used to post the syllabus, course documents, and other relevant information. Candidates will also

be responsible for activating their LiveText accounts. 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).

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.
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Diversity

The diversity of students, parents, families, homes, and communities is central to this module, and candidates will have the opportunity to explore cultural, linguistic, ability and many other forms of difference. In this way, candidates will: (a) push "beyond the label" to explore the resources and funds of knowledge present within the school, (b) analyze how the school aligns and incorporates those resources into educational practice, and (c) make suggestions for ways to improve school-based practice with diversity in culture, language, and ability.

Specifically related to ELLs, the strong basis and emphasis on culturally responsive pedagogy and practice in this module will prepare candidates to explore linguistically responsive pedagogy and practice in the upcoming sequence (Sequence 3). A key element for addressing special education will be discussions about how teachers are integrating individual student IEP goals into curriculum as a means of being culturally responsive based upon ability. This module is also a good place to discuss inclusion as a school wide philosophy, rather than an isolated set of practices that occur in individual classrooms.

Academic Honesty

Academic honesty is an expression of interpersonal justice, responsibility and care, applicable to Loyola University faculty, students, and staff, which demands that the pursuit of knowledge in the university community be carried out with sincerity and integrity. The School of Education's Policy on Academic Integrity can be found at: www.luc.edu/education/resources/academic-policies/academic-integrity/ For additional academic policies and procedures refer to: www.luc.edu/education/resources/academic-policies/

Accessibility

Students who have disabilities which they believe entitle them to accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act should register with the Services for Students with Disabilities (SSWD) office. To request accommodations, students must schedule an appointment with an SSWD coordinator. Students should contact SSWD at least four weeks before their first semester or term at Loyola. Returning students should schedule an appointment within the first two weeks of the semester or term. The University policy on accommodations and participation in courses is available at: <http://www.luc.edu/sswd/>

EthicsLine Reporting Hotline

Loyola University Chicago has implemented EthicsLine Reporting Hotline, through a third party internet & telephone hotline provider, to provide you with an automated and anonymous way to report activities that may involve misconduct or violations of Loyola University policy. You may file an anonymous report here [on-line](#) or by dialing 855-603-6988. (within the United States, Guam, and Puerto Rico)

The University is committed to the highest ethical and professional standards of conduct as an integral part of its mission of expanding knowledge in the service of humanity through learning, justice and faith. To achieve this goal, the University relies on each community member's ethical behavior, honesty, integrity and good judgment. Each community member should demonstrate respect for the rights of others.

www.luc.edu/ethicsline

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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](#).

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*.