TLLSC 350-006: Teaching and Learning with a Global Framework
(Secondary Social Studies)
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 15-April 9
Days: Tuesdays & Thursdays 8:30am-12:30pm
On Campus Location: Online
  • Zoom channel – https://luc.zoom.us/j/8621820196
  • Sakai Site - https://sakai.luc.edu/x/B6C0G9

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)

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

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**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.
- 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.

**Module Assignments:**

**World Studies Research Project: 40 points**

- Individually or with a partner, students will design a web-based research project on a topic in world studies for middle or high school students. Students will also prepare and deliver a presentation of their world studies research project to the class. Courses in world studies use the social sciences to examine both historical and/or contemporary social events and
issues. The project should offer middle or high school students an opportunity to use technology to deepen their understanding of particular places, concepts, events, and/or issues related to a topic within world studies. Standards addressed by this assignment: NCSS 1.1, 1.3, 1.4, 1.5, 1.8 & 1.9; ILCAS: SS 1; IPTS: 1, 4 & 8; ITS: 2, 3, 7 & 8; CF: 5.

Transdisciplinary/Interdisciplinary Curriculum Unit: 30 points
- Teacher candidates develop a unit drawn from the sequence summative assessment (year-long MYP social studies course plan) with interdisciplinary connections, including the arts, in an IB setting. Candidates will 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: NCSS: 2.1, 2.3 or 2.5; IPTS: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 & 8; ILCAS: SS 1; ITS: 3.

Sequence Summative Assessment: 20 points
- 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 social studies courses in the area of designation (history, civics, or psychology) 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: NCSS: 2.1, 2.3 or 2.5; IPTS: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 & 8; ILCAS: SS 1; ITS: 3.

Module Participation: 10 points
- 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.
Dispositions:

All students are assessed on one or more dispositional areas of growth across our programs: *Professionalism, Inquiry, and Social Justice.* The specific dispositions assessed in this module relating to these three areas of growth are listed below dispositions assessed and you can find the rubrics in LiveText. 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.

In this module, you will be assessed on the following dispositions:

- **D2:** Engaging in advocacy efforts grounded in ethical convictions that promote social justice and affect policy design and implementation (9Q; IB)
- **D3:** Valuing diversity and advocating 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). (1A,9F, 9R, IB)
- **D16:** Demonstrating the critical importance and need for teacher leadership in and across classrooms, schools, districts, communities, and in local, national and international educational organizations. (IB)
- **D17:** Demonstrating professionalism through personal responsibility and accountability related to attendance, participation and communication. (9H, 9I).

Required Texts:

*Required readings will be posted to the course Sakai site.*

Course Websites

- Sakai – [https://sakai.luc.edu/x/B6C0G9](https://sakai.luc.edu/x/B6C0G9)
- LiveText – www.livetext.com
- Social Studies Resources - [https://sites.google.com/site/teachingsocialsciences/](https://sites.google.com/site/teachingsocialsciences/)

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](https://www.luc.edu/covid-19/) 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.

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KEY COVID-19 Resources for your Spring – 2021 Return
- Spring 2021 RETURN to CAMPUS Checklist
- Spring 2021 RETURN to CAMPUS Guidance
- Required Personal Safety Practices
- COVID-19 Testing and Reporting Protocol
- COVID-19 Campus Updates

Conceptual Framework and Conceptual Framework Standards

The School of Education’s mission is Social Action through Education. You can read a full description of how the SOE conceptualizes and operationalized our mission here - www.luc.edu/education/mission/

The SOE’s Conceptual Framework has been articulated as four standards that inform the planning and delivery of programs, courses, and modules. The SOE Conceptual Framework Standards (CFS) are:
- 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.
In this module, candidates are prepared to take social action in the form of highly effective social studies teaching that is rooted in principles of social justice. The module assignments, discussion, and classroom experiences most directly address CFS 2 and 4 by requiring candidates to integrate readings with instructional practice in classrooms with a diverse range of students. Through cycles of planning, teaching, and reflection with the support of the instructor and co-teacher educators, candidates further develop the skills, knowledge, and dispositions necessary to be excellent social studies educators for all students.

**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 into 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.

**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.

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/).

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.

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.
Loyola University Chicago Land Acknowledgement Statement

Below you will find the University’s land acknowledgment statement, which recognizes that Loyola is a beneficiary of the United States’ settler colonial history. Noting that Chicago has the third largest urban Indigenous population in the country, this land acknowledgement should serve as a grounding point for our shared obligation to learn about our local Native communities as well as how to support Native youth’s success and well-being. You can find more information and resources here.

The Loyola community occupies the ancestral homelands of the people of the Council of Three Fires, an alliance which formed based on the shared language, similar culture, and common historical background of its three historical members: the Odawa, Potawatomi, and Ojibwe nations. The land that Loyola occupies, which includes the shore and waters of Lake Michigan, was also a site of trade, travel, gathering and healing for more than a dozen other Native tribes, including the Menominee, Michigamea, Miami, Kickapoo, Peoria and Ho-Chunk nations. The history of the city of Chicago is intertwined with histories of native peoples. The name Chicago is adopted from the Algonquin language, and the Chicagoland area is still home to the largest number of Native Americans in the Midwest, over 65,000.

This historical relationship is not innocuous. The 1833 Treaty of Chicago forced the migration of the Odawa, Potawatomi and Ojibwe to drastically smaller lands west of the Mississippi River. Chicago was also the destination, more than a century later, for coerced relocation of Native peoples under the Indian Relocation Act of 1956, which resulted in widespread disenfranchisement, poverty and isolation for the Native people relocated to Chicago and other urban centers. The history of the lands Loyola occupies, and the history of Native Americans in Chicago and Illinois, is a history of displacement, conquest, and dehumanization. We at Loyola, in step with our Jesuit Catholic tradition, must commit to acknowledging this violent history by incorporating Native American texts and perspectives into our classes and working to keep this shared history alive in our study, conversation, and professional development.