TLLSC 460: Developing Rigorous and Relevant Instruction and Assessment
Sequence 7: Putting it Together: Developing and Implementing Rigorous and Relevant Instruction and Assessment

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Dates: 8/28/17-11/13/17
Days: Monday Seminar
Times: 5:00 – 6:45
On-Campus Location: Mundelein 308, Lakeshore Campus

Module Description
During this rigorous module, candidates continue to learn while also applying their accumulated knowledge and skills. The experiences in this sequence are designed to allow candidates to measure their growth in the areas of planning, instruction, and assessment while reflecting on what teacher candidates should know and be able to do prior to student teaching and prior to certification. Candidates will work with their mentor teacher two days per week while being supervised at the school site by a University Coach. Monday night seminars will be held on campus and led by Loyola faculty. This sequence also prepares candidates for the required edTPA assessment they will complete during their student teaching in Sequence 8. Candidates will compose a practice edTPA. This sequence addresses TLLSC Enduring Understandings 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, and 9.

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

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

- Use research and evidence-based practices to design instruction that includes the alignment of goals, objectives, assessments and instructional strategies to meet the individual needs of students.
- Use data to drive instruction and assess teaching and learning effectiveness.
- Apply deep understanding of both content and pedagogy to provide developmentally appropriate instruction to all students.

As a part of this module, candidates will:

- Incorporate research and evidence-based practices into the design of instruction (e.g. UbD, IB, SIOP and UDL). (5S; 9A) (IB)
- Design a standards-based instructional unit that uses backward design (e.g. UbD) to align objectives with assessments and instructional practices based on high expectations for each student’s learning and behavior. (3H; 3I) (IB)
- Select relevant instructional content, materials, resources and strategies for differentiated and universally designed instruction. (3Q; 5O) (IB)
- Use assessment strategies and devices that are nondiscriminatory, and take into consideration the impact of disabilities, methods of communication, cultural background, and primary language on measuring knowledge and performance of students. (7R) (IB)
- Use data to differentiate assessments to meet the needs of diverse learners. (1H; 3J; 5P) (IB)
- analyze and use student information to design instruction that meets the diverse needs of students and leads to ongoing growth and achievement (1H) (IB)
- Use data to plan for differentiated instruction to allow for variations in individual learning needs (3J) (IB)
- Use assessment data, student work samples, and observations from continuous monitoring of student progress to plan and evaluate effective content area reading, writing, and oral communication instruction (6H)

IDEA Objectives: (Complete the course evaluation online at IDEA Campus Labs website: http://luc.edu/idea/)

- Gaining a basic understanding of the subject (e.g., factual knowledge, methods, principles, generalizations, theories)
- Learning to apply course material (to improve thinking, problem solving, and decisions)
- Developing specific skills, competencies, and points of view needed by professionals in the field

Dispositions Assessment:

Each course in the School of Education focuses on one or more professional dispositions. Students are offered opportunities to receive feedback on their dispositional growth in the areas of professionalism, fairness and/or the belief that all students can learn. The specific disposition or dispositions for each course are listed on this syllabus and the descriptions for the expected behaviors for the disposition(s) can be found on the rubric posted in LiveText for this course.
Grading Policy & Scale:
The final grade is based upon the completion of course requirements, as weighted above and following this scale:

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

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

Module Assignments
- **Module Participation: 20% of final grade**
  - Candidates are expected to consistently and actively participate in all class activities in discussions. Since much of this module takes place in a school, candidates are expected to dress and act professionally. They must arrive on time and stay for the duration of the class session. Class sessions will build directly on assigned readings; candidates must come to class having read all assigned texts and articles, as well as completing a reader response.
  - Participation will make up 20% of your final grade for this course and be determined using the following common rubric.

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

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

Level of Engagement in Class

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

Listening Skills

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

- **Content Specific, Standards-Aligned Practice edTPA Unit: 40% of final grade**

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

  - The edTPA unit will be submitted in three parts:
    - Planning Task:
    - Instruction Task:
    - Assessment Task:

  - The minimum passing score for edTPA is 35 out of 75 possible points. Candidates must receive a score of at least 35 points on the practice edTPA to receive a passing grade in this course.

- **Content Specific Assignments: 40% of final grade**

  - These assignments will be specific to middle and secondary English. They will be designed to deepen students’ knowledge of middle grades and secondary English curricula and learning activities development, and pedagogy.
Required Course Materials

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.

Module Required Texts (Several texts are less expensive either renting or purchasing as an e-book)

Resources: Module 6 texts from TLSC 450 and TLSC 451


Required for World Language candidates:


Required for Middle Grades and Secondary English candidates:


Required for Social Studies candidates:


School of Education Policies and Information

Conceptual Framework Standards

The School of Education at Loyola University Chicago, a Jesuit and Catholic urban university, supports the Jesuit ideal of knowledge in the service of humanity. SOE’s Conceptual Framework (CF)—Social Action through Education—is exemplified by our endeavor to advance professional education in the service of social justice, engaged with Chicago, the nation, and the world. To achieve this vision the School of Education participates in the discovery, development, demonstration, and dissemination of professional knowledge and practice within a context of ethics, service to others, and social justice. We fulfill this mission by preparing professionals to serve as teachers, administrators, psychologists, and researchers; by conducting research on issues of professional practice and social justice; and by partnering with schools and community agencies to enhance life-long learning in the Chicago area.
Specifically grounded in the Conceptual Framework: *Social Action through Education*, this module focuses on the individualized learning needs of diverse students in urban schools, emphasizing the role of the teacher in making educational decisions and advocating for students. Candidates must utilize current literature in bilingual, special, and literacy education to critically evaluate practices and apply knowledge and skills with diverse students.

**Electronic Communication Policies and Guidelines**

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

**LiveText and Sakai**

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.

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**Syllabus Addendum**

**IDEA Course Evaluation Link for Students**

Each course you take in the School of Education is evaluated through the IDEA Campus Labs system. We ask that when you receive an email alerting you that the evaluation is available that you promptly complete it. To learn more about IDEA or to access the website directly to complete your course evaluation go to: http://luc.edu/idea/ and click on **STUDENT IDEA LOGIN** on the left hand side of the page.

**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**

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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.