French « Baccalauréat »

Created in 1808, the « baccalauréat » serves a two-fold function in the French system of education: it concludes secondary school studies and grants access to higher education. The « baccalauréat » is the first university grade. (French Ministry of Education Code, Book III, Chapter 4, Article D344-1; http://www.education.gouv.fr/)

A general baccalauréat examination, a national examination regulated by the same governmental organisation throughout the country, certifies students’ level in General Education. Thus baccalauréat diplomas issued officially state students’ results achieved for each GE module. This is why these modules are not included into a bachelor’s degree curriculum in France.

The baccalauréat is an obligatory condition to enter ESCEM Bachelor’s programme, which guarantees that each ESCEM Bachelor student has satisfied the GE requirements.
## General Education Official Curriculum
### French Baccalauréat

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<th>GE Course</th>
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<th>S (Scientific)</th>
<th>L (literature)</th>
<th>ES (economic &amp; social)</th>
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<td>Philosophy</td>
<td>conscience, perception, unconscious, the other, desire, time and existence; <em>culture</em>: language, art, work, religion, history; <em>reason and reality</em>: theory and experience, demonstration, interpretation, material and spiritual, truth; <em>politics</em>: society, justice and law, the state; <em>morality</em>: freedom, duty, happiness</td>
<td>3CH*</td>
<td>8CH</td>
<td>4CH</td>
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<td>Physics and Chemistry</td>
<td><strong>S</strong>: Physics: wave propagation; progressive waves; nuclear transformations; electric systems; mechanics; time measurement; <strong>Chemistry</strong>: chemical transformations; <strong>L &amp; ES</strong>: Chemistry: chemical or natural? Chemical constituents of materials; chemical transformations; <strong>Physics</strong>: movements of the universe and time; the air around us</td>
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<td>Earth and life sciences/Biology and Ecology</td>
<td>Time approach in Geology and Biology; Phylogenesis and evolution; genome stability and variability; time measurement in Earth and life history; lithospheric processes and their effects; human procreation; immunology; biological and geologic processes and time</td>
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<td>History and Geography</td>
<td><strong>History</strong>: World, Europe and France since the middle of the 19th century till 1945; since 1945 to present; <strong>Geography</strong>: Europe and France; world geography</td>
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<td>Scientific studies</td>
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*Example: 3 hours/week X 36 study weeks/academic year = 108 hours/year --> 9 CH/year --> 3 CH/quarter*
FRANCIS MARION UNIVERSITY: DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED NEW COURSE or MODIFICATION OF AN EXISTING COURSE

Department/ School Nursing Date 8-30-11
Course No. or Level APRN 604 Title Teaching and Learning in Nursing
Semester hours 3 Clock hours: Lecture 3 (On-line) Laboratory 0
Prerequisites None
Enrollment expectation 12

Indicate any course for which this course is a (an)

modification N/A (proposed change in course title, course description, course content or method of instruction)

substitute N/A (The proposed new course replaces a deleted course as a General Education or program requirement.)

alternate N/A (The proposed new course can be taken as an alternate to an existing course.)

Name of person preparing course description Ruth Wittmann-Price
Department Chairperson’s/Dean's Signature

Provost's Signature

Date of Implementation Summer 2013
Date of School/Department approval October 4, 2011

Catalog description:
This course discusses teaching/learning theory in nursing education. It facilitates understanding of teaching strategies, classroom and clinical management, learner outcomes, syllabi development, and curriculum building. Developing and applying a lesson plan for learners or patients is a course expectation.
Learning Outcomes: At the conclusion of this course, the learner will be able to:

1. Describe methods to facilitate learning by relating theory to practice;
2. Understand how teaching strategies affect the learner’s environment;
3. Apply evaluation strategies appropriate to the learning outcomes;
4. Discuss how a course contributes to the overall value of the curriculum;
5. Encourage critical thinking as part of the learning process;
6. Use self-reflection to improve teaching effectiveness;
7. Disseminate a quality improvement educational project; and
8. Understand how nursing education relates to other college courses and requirements.

Purpose:
1. This class will discuss the theoretical base for the education of nurses and discuss the role of nurse educator in different settings.
2. This course will provide an overview of the issues and strategies used in nursing education and include instruction on classroom and clinical teaching as well as simulation.

Teaching Strategies:
Teaching strategies will consist of lecture, audio-visual aids, class discussions, class and clinical group work, class presentations, seminars, written assignments, paper and pencil tests, role-play, and computer-assisted instructions.

Textbook(s):
Required:

Course Content:
This course will discuss philosophies and science of teaching and learning principles. Other topics will include classroom management and technology, didactic and clinical teaching basics, strategies, simulation, and educator role development. Learners will be asked to take an in-depth look at an active teaching strategy, and demonstrate it to their peers.
Course Title: Teaching and Learning in Nursing
Course Number: APRN 604
Credit Hours: (3)
Day and time: TBA
Location: TBA

Prerequisites: None

Faculty:
Office Number:
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Textbook(s):
Required:

METHODS OF EVALUATION:
Successful completion of this course is dependent upon earning grades of C or better.

Classroom Evaluation Methods:

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Rounding
Per program policy, only final grades will be rounded. Final grades of 0.50 or greater will be rounded up to the next whole numeric value. Therefore, a 79.50 is the minimum grade needed to pass this course, as this is rounded to an 80. Exam and quiz scores will not be rounded and will be entered in grade book in Blackboard to the nearest hundredth of a percent.

Departmental Criteria: BLS, PPD, and immunizations (Department of Nursing Graduate Student Handbook).

Attendance Policy
The University policy regarding class attendance states, “It is the responsibility of the
student to attend all scheduled meetings in the course in which he/she is enrolled. If a student is absent more than twice the number of required class or laboratory sessions per week during regular semesters or more than 15 percent of required sessions during accelerated semesters, a grade of \(F\) or \(W\) will normally be assigned, unless absences have been excused for cause by the instructor. Individual instructors may choose alternative requirements for attendance. The instructor, at his/her discretion, may utilize a warning of excessive absences or compulsory attendance. Additional attendance policies will be outlined in each course syllabus” (University Catalog, p. 199). Students enrolled in nursing courses are responsible for class attendance and for the prescribed activities of the courses. Students are expected to confer with faculty prior to anticipated absences and make arrangements for any required make-up assignments. Students are expected to review the semester calendar and not make personal plans that conflict with academic obligations (scheduled tests/exams).

**Dress Code**

In recognition of the educational and professional environment of Francis Marion University, all individuals associated with this institution are expected to maintain a neat and clean appearance at all times. Refer to Department of Graduate Student Handbooks (current edition). When students are in the clinical area completing practicum hours, they are to wear their FMU graduate student ID tag and identify themselves as such to patients and all professionals.

**Grievance Procedures**

The Department of Nursing adheres to the University Guidelines for Student Concerns or Complaints as outlined in the current edition of Francis Marion University Catalog. Student concerns or complaints are handled in a professional manner. Discussion and problem solving of issues should be based on facts. Resolutions should acknowledge the satisfaction of all parties, but must maintain the integrity of the nursing program. If the issue(s) cannot be resolved through the procedures below, a formal grievance may be filed as described in the current edition of the University Student Handbook (current edition). Refer also to the Department of Nursing’s Graduate Student Handbook (current edition).

**ACADEMIC INFORMATION**

**Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA):**

If you have a documented disability and require special assistance or accommodations, contact the University Counseling and Testing Center (Francis Marion University Student Handbook, current edition). No accommodations will be made without proper documentation from the University Counseling and Testing Center. The student must provide documentation indicating the accommodations approved by the staff of the Counseling and Testing Center to the course coordinator and/or clinical instructor. The student must request in writing the accommodations approved by the staff of the Counseling and Testing Center and meet with the course coordinator before any accommodations will be made. The student must adhere to these accommodations throughout the semester. The student must provide documentation of approved
accommodations, request accommodations, and meet with all course faculty prior to first day of class in subsequent semesters.

A student who is referred to the University’s Counseling and Testing Center during the semester and if accommodations are approved by the staff of the Counseling and Testing Center, the student must immediately provide documentation to the course coordinator and/or clinical instructor. The student must request in writing the accommodations approved by the staff of the Counseling and Testing Center and meet with the course coordinator before any accommodations will be made. The student must adhere to these accommodations throughout the semester. The student must provide documentation of approved accommodations, request accommodations, and meet with all course faculty prior to first day of class in subsequent semesters.

Student Responsibilities
Each student is responsible for the proper completion of his/her academic program, for familiarity with the FMU Catalog, the University Student Handbook, and the Department of Nursing Graduate Student Handbook (current editions). Each student is responsible for maintaining the grade point average required, and for meeting all degree requirements. The graduate academic advisor will counsel, but the final responsibility for a successful college career rests with the student.

Academic Dishonesty
See Honor Code found in the University Student Hand Book: Rights and Responsibilities Standards of Conduct (current edition). All students and faculty are expected to refrain from acts of academic misconduct including, but not limited to, plagiarism, the giving or falsifying of any academic documents or related materials, cheating, and the giving or receiving of unauthorized aid in tests, examinations, or other assigned work. Please see the Department of Nursing Graduate Student Handbook (current edition): Academic Integrity.

Code of Ethics
The Department of Nursing subscribes to the “Code of Student Conduct” as defined in the ”Students’ Rights and Responsibilities” section of the current edition of the Francis Marion University Student Handbook and Catalog (current editions). The Department of Nursing subscribes to the American Nurses Association (ANA) Code of Ethics; whereby, all students and faculty are expected to be honest and honorable in all academic and professional endeavors. It is further expected that they will refrain from any activity, which might impair the image of the University, the Department of Nursing, or the nursing profession. Please see the Department of Graduate Student Handbook (current edition): Academic Integrity and http://www.nursingworld.org/MainMenuCategories/EthicsStandards/CodeofEthicsforNurses/Code-of-Ethics.aspx

South Carolina Nurse Practice Act
Students must abide by the South Carolina Nurse Practice Act for APRNs (South Carolina Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation: Board of Nursing, 2009).
Computer Use

Computers are an essential learning tool, with the cost dependent upon vendor and configuration. It is a requirement that nursing students have access to his/her own personal computer. The minimum configuration should include access to the Internet and support the latest version of Windows and Windows Office Suite (Word, PowerPoint). The hardware specifications necessary should be consistent with those of your Internet Provider. Please see the Department of Nursing Graduate Student Handbook for further computer, email, and hand-held device information.

Disclaimer

Faculty members have the prerogative to schedule extra learning activities, change course content and test/exam dates as deemed appropriate, related to course objectives.
# CONTENT INFORMATION

## Topical Outline

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<td>Teaching as an art and science</td>
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GRADING RUBRICS

1. Philosophy
   Articulate your philosophy of education and relate it to a theory. One to two pages. APA format.

2. Teaching Plan

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<td>Learning outcomes</td>
<td>Each learning outcome is measurable and complete.</td>
<td>Learning outcomes are stated with appropriate verbs but need specific measurements.</td>
<td>Assistance is needed in addressing proper verbs level.</td>
<td>Verbs and the measure of the outcomes need major revision.</td>
<td>Unable to identify outcome language.</td>
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<td>Content</td>
<td>Content is complete and directly relates to the learning outcomes.</td>
<td>Content is stated but lacks sufficient detail.</td>
<td>Content is stated.</td>
<td>Content is incomplete.</td>
<td>Content is missing or unrelated to learner outcomes.</td>
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<td>Time management</td>
<td>All content has appropriate time allocation.</td>
<td>The main content was given enough attention.</td>
<td>Content was missed due to time constraints.</td>
<td>Important content was eliminated due to time factors.</td>
<td>Content and time allocations were mismatched.</td>
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<td>Appropriate strategy</td>
<td>Excellent teaching strategies for the content.</td>
<td>Teaching strategies were affective for most of the time.</td>
<td>Teaching strategies did not hold learner attention for the entire session.</td>
<td>Teaching strategies were not well conducted.</td>
<td>Teaching strategies were inappropriate or poorly organized.</td>
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<td>Evaluation mechanism</td>
<td>All learning outcomes were evaluated.</td>
<td>Most learning outcomes were evaluated.</td>
<td>Some of the outcomes were met.</td>
<td>There was poor representation of the learning outcomes in the evaluation process.</td>
<td>The evaluation process did not address the learning outcomes.</td>
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### 3. Syllabus Development

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<td><strong>Organization and professionalism</strong></td>
<td>Syllabus is well organized and easy to follow.</td>
<td>Syllabus is organization and most expectations clear.</td>
<td>Syllabus lacks some organization or professional presentation.</td>
<td>Syllabus requires major rearranging and formatting.</td>
<td>Syllabus needs to be redone.</td>
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<td><strong>Pertinent information</strong></td>
<td>Syllabus contains all important academic information for course or session.</td>
<td>Syllabus contains the major content needed for learners to understand expectations.</td>
<td>Syllabus contains some important information but is disorganized.</td>
<td>Syllabus needs major revision in order to function as a learning tool.</td>
<td>Syllabus does not address criteria needed for a learning session.</td>
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<td><strong>Content outline</strong></td>
<td>The content outline is complete.</td>
<td>The content outline lacks detail or is overburdened with detail.</td>
<td>The content outline is not congruent with the course objectives.</td>
<td>The content outline needs major revision</td>
<td>The content outline is incomplete.</td>
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<td><strong>Clarity</strong></td>
<td>The learner expectations are clear.</td>
<td>The learner expectations are assumed in some areas.</td>
<td>The learner expectations need verbal clarification.</td>
<td>The learner expectations are unrealistic or unclear.</td>
<td>The learner expectation needs revision.</td>
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<td><strong>Evaluation mechanism</strong></td>
<td>All learning outcomes are evaluated appropriately</td>
<td>The majority of learner outcomes are evaluated.</td>
<td>Most of the learner outcomes have clear evaluation.</td>
<td>The evaluation mechanisms are incongruent with the learner outcomes.</td>
<td>The evaluation mechanism for the course needs revision.</td>
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### 4. Presentation of Teaching Strategy

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<th>5 = Strongly Agree</th>
<th>4 = Agree</th>
<th>3 = Undecided</th>
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<td>The outcome was met well and no further improvements can be suggested</td>
<td>The majority of the outcome was met and minor improvements can be suggested.</td>
<td>The outcome was somewhat met with room for improvement in areas.</td>
<td>The outcome was mostly not met. Major improvements are needed.</td>
<td>The outcome was not met at all and the presentation style or technique needs refocusing.</td>
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### VERBAL COMMUNICATION TECHNIQUES

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<td>2. Did the communicator present information that was appropriate &amp; relevant for the receiver?</td>
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<td>3. Was the communicator clear and concise therefore using time appropriately?</td>
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<td>4. Was the language appropriate for the receiver?</td>
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<td>5. Was the communication gender neutral?</td>
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<td>7. Did periods of silence demonstrate thoughtfulness about information?</td>
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<td>8. Did the communicator present as knowledgeable and provide accurate, organized information?</td>
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<td>9. Were questions dealt with appropriately (given thought, encouragement and answered accurately)?</td>
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<td>10. Did the communicator indicate verbally that he/she was paying attention (actively listening) to the receiver(s) questions?</td>
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<td>11. Did the communicator encourage the receiver(s) to participate in discussion?</td>
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<td>12. Did the communicator appeal to multiple senses of the receiver by providing a variety of communication methods (handouts, visuals, auditory reinforcements) as appropriate?</td>
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<td>13. Did the communicator provide professional (peer reviewed) references about the information presented?</td>
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<td>14. Did the communicator present a professional, positive self-image?</td>
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<td>15. Did the communicator present in a relaxed and unhurried manner (ex: body posture)?</td>
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<td>16. Did the communicator engage with the receiver(s) or audience (sensitive to receiver)?</td>
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<td>17. Did the communicator demonstrate an open attitude (ex: did not cross arms, hurry or turn away, tone)?</td>
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<td>18. Was the communicator demonstrating cultural awareness (ex: personal space, eye contact)?</td>
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<td>19. Was non-verbal communication congruent with verbal communication?</td>
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<td>20. Did the nonverbal cues convey appropriate control and status (command of subject without speaking “down” to receiver)?</td>
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Points attained: __________ out of 100 possible = grade:___________________

5. Research paper on teaching strategy

Teaching Strategy Paper
Choose a teaching strategy. Use research to support the use of the strategy. This is an important paper and a large part of your grade. It should be at least 15 pages in length.

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<td>APA format</td>
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FRANCIS MARION UNIVERSITY: DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED NEW COURSE or MODIFICATION OF AN EXISTING COURSE

Department/ School __ Nursing _____________ Date ______8-30-11________

Course No. or Level __ APRN 605 __ Title __ Curriculum Development and Program Evaluation __

Semester hours __3__ Clock hours: Lecture __3_ (On-line)__ Laboratory __0__

Prerequisites __None__

Enrollment expectation __12________

Indicate any course for which this course is a (an)

modification __N/A_________________
(proposed change in course title, course description, course content or method of instruction)

substitute __N/A__________________
(The proposed new course replaces a deleted course as a General Education or program requirement.)

alternate __N/A__________________
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Name of person preparing course description __Ruth Wittmann-Price__

Department Chairperson’s/Dean's Signature _____________

Provost's Signature ______________________________________

Date of Implementation ____________ Summer 2014 ____________

Date of School/Department approval ____________ October 4, 2011 ____________

Catalog Description:
This course emphasizes different types of curricula used in nursing. It includes understanding of accreditation processes using program outcomes. This course will familiarize students with course sequencing, competency leveling, and learner outcomes. The content includes integration of current clinical standards from the Institute of Medicine, Quality and Safety in Nursing Education, and The Joint Commission.
Learning Outcomes: At the conclusion of this course, the learner will be able to:
1. Describe curriculum patterns that facilitate learning from simple to complex;
2. Understand how curriculum design guides teaching strategies;
3. Apply program evaluation processes to meet educational and accreditation outcomes;
4. Analyze the curriculum in relation to research and practice initiatives;
5. Describe the change processes involved in curriculum development and revision;
6. Use educational evidence in curriculum design;
7. Demonstrate how leading a curriculum change is disseminated to colleagues; and
8. Understand how the nursing curriculum fits into the institutional mission and framework.

Purpose:
1. This course will discuss different types of curriculum used in nursing education and in healthcare systems.
2. It will explore how a full curriculum is developed, the principles behind the development, and the sequencing of courses related to learner outcomes.

Teaching Strategies:
Teaching strategies will consist of lecture, audio-visual aids, class discussions, class and clinical group work, class presentations, seminars, written assignments, paper and pencil tests, role-play, and computer-assisted instructions.

Textbook(s):
Required:


Course Content:
This course will discuss curriculum development and types of curricula in nursing education. Other topics will have to do with philosophical underpinnings, leveling of content and program outcomes.
Department of Nursing

Course Title: Curriculum Development and Program Evaluation
Course Number: APRN 605
Credit Hours: (3)
Day and time: TBA
Location: TBA

Prerequisites: None

Faculty:
Office Number:
Office Phone:
E-mail:
Office hours:

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Textbook(s):
Required:

METHODS OF EVALUATION:
Successful completion of this course is dependent upon earning grades of C or better.

**Classroom Evaluation Methods:**

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**Rounding**

Per program policy, only final grades will be rounded. Final grades of 0.50 or greater will be rounded up to the next whole numeric value. Therefore, a 79.50 is the minimum grade needed to pass this course, as this is rounded to an 80. Exam and quiz scores will not be rounded and will be entered in grade book in Blackboard to the nearest hundredth of a percent.

**Departmental Criteria:** BLS, PPD, and immunizations (*Department of Nursing Graduate Student Handbook*).

**Attendance Policy**

The University policy regarding class attendance states, “It is the responsibility of the student to attend all scheduled meetings in the course in which he/she is enrolled. If a student is absent more than twice the number of required class or laboratory sessions per week during regular semesters or more than 15 percent of required sessions during accelerated semesters, a grade of F or W will normally be assigned, unless absences have been excused for cause by the instructor. Individual instructors may choose alternative requirements for attendance. The instructor, at his/her discretion, may utilize a warning of excessive absences or compulsory
attendance. Additional attendance policies will be outlined in each course syllabus” (University Catalog, p. 199). Students enrolled in nursing courses are responsible for class attendance and for the prescribed activities of the courses. Students are expected to confer with faculty prior to anticipated absences and make arrangements for any required make-up assignments. Students are expected to review the semester calendar and not make personal plans that conflict with academic obligations (scheduled tests/exams).

**Dress Code**

In recognition of the educational and professional environment of Francis Marion University, all individuals associated with this institution are expected to maintain a neat and clean appearance at all times. Refer to Department of Graduate Student Handbooks (current edition). When students are in the clinical area completing practicum hours, they are to wear their FMU graduate student ID tag and identify themselves as such to patients and all professionals.

**Grievance Procedures**

The Department of Nursing adheres to the University Guidelines for Student Concerns or Complaints as outlined in the current edition of Francis Marion University Catalog. Student concerns or complaints are handled in a professional manner. Discussion and problem solving of issues should be based on facts. Resolutions should acknowledge the satisfaction of all parties, but must maintain the integrity of the nursing program. If the issue(s) cannot be resolved through the procedures below, a formal grievance may be filed as described in the current edition of the University Student Handbook (current edition). Refer also to the Department of Nursing’s Graduate Student Handbook (current edition).

**ACADEMIC INFORMATION**

**Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA):**

If you have a documented disability and require special assistance or accommodations, contact the University Counseling and Testing Center (Francis Marion University Student Handbook, current edition). No accommodations will be made without proper documentation from the University Counseling and Testing Center. The student must provide documentation indicating the accommodations approved by the staff of the Counseling and Testing Center to the course coordinator and/or clinical instructor. The student must request in writing the accommodations approved by the staff of the Counseling and Testing Center and meet with the course coordinator before any accommodations will be made. The student must adhere to these accommodations throughout the semester. The student must provide documentation of approved accommodations, request accommodations, and meet with all course faculty prior to first day of class in subsequent semesters.

A student who is referred to the University’s Counseling and Testing Center during the semester and if accommodations are approved by the staff of the Counseling and Testing Center, the student must immediately provide documentation to the course coordinator and/or clinical instructor. The student must request in writing the accommodations approved by the staff of the
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**Student Responsibilities**

Each student is responsible for the proper completion of his/her academic program, for familiarity with the FMU Catalog, the University Student Handbook, and the Department of Nursing Graduate Student Handbook (current editions). Each student is responsible for maintaining the grade point average required, and for meeting all degree requirements. The graduate academic advisor will counsel, but the final responsibility for a successful college career rests with the student.

**Academic Dishonesty**

See Honor Code found in the University Student Hand Book: Rights and Responsibilities Standards of Conduct (current edition). All students and faculty are expected to refrain from acts of academic misconduct including, but not limited to, plagiarism, the giving or falsifying of any academic documents or related materials, cheating, and the giving or receiving of unauthorized aid in tests, examinations, or other assigned work. Please see the Department of Nursing Graduate Student Handbook (current edition): Academic Integrity.

**Code of Ethics**

The Department of Nursing subscribes to the “Code of Student Conduct” as defined in the “Students’ Rights and Responsibilities” section of the current edition of the Francis Marion University Student Handbook and Catalog (current editions). The Department of Nursing subscribes to the American Nurses Association (ANA) Code of Ethics; whereby, all students and faculty are expected to be honest and honorable in all academic and professional endeavors. It is further expected that they will refrain from any activity, which might impair the image of the University, the Department of Nursing, or the nursing profession. Please see the Department of Graduate Student Handbook (current edition): Academic Integrity and [http://www.nursingworld.org/MainMenuCategories/EthicsStandards/CodeofEthicsforNurses/Code-of-Ethics.aspx](http://www.nursingworld.org/MainMenuCategories/EthicsStandards/CodeofEthicsforNurses/Code-of-Ethics.aspx)

**South Carolina Nurse Practice Act**

Students must abide by the South Carolina Nurse Practice Act for APRNs (South Carolina Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation: Board of Nursing, 2009). [http://www.scstatehouse.gov/code/t40c033.htm](http://www.scstatehouse.gov/code/t40c033.htm)

**Computer Use**

Computers are an essential learning tool, with the cost dependent upon vendor and configuration. It is a requirement that nursing students have access to his/her own personal computer. The minimum configuration should include access to the Internet and support the
latest version of Windows and Windows Office Suite (Word, PowerPoint). The hardware specifications necessary should be consistent with those of your Internet Provider. Please see the Department of Nursing Graduate Student Handbook for further computer, email, and hand-held device information.

**Disclaimer**

Faculty members have the prerogative to schedule extra learning activities, change course content and test/exam dates as deemed appropriate, related to course objectives.
## CONTENT INFORMATION

### Topical Outline

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<td>Leading curriculum design</td>
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<td>Curriculum organization</td>
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GRADING RUBRICS
1. Look at a type of curriculum and critique for the following areas.
   Curriculum Assessment

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<td>Learning outcomes</td>
<td>Each learning outcome is measurable and complete.</td>
<td>Learning outcomes are stated with appropriate verbs but need specific measurements.</td>
<td>Assistance is needed in addressing proper verbs level.</td>
<td>Verbs and the measure of the outcomes need major revision.</td>
<td>Unable to identify outcome language.</td>
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<td>Content is complete and directly relates to the learning outcomes.</td>
<td>Content is stated but lacks sufficient detail.</td>
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<td>Time management</td>
<td>All content has appropriate time allocation.</td>
<td>The main content was given enough attention.</td>
<td>Content was missed due to time constraints.</td>
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<td>Leveled</td>
<td>Content is appropriate leveled with rationale.</td>
<td>Content is leveled but evidence for placement is incomplete.</td>
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<td>Progression</td>
<td>Learner progression is well laid out and attainable.</td>
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<td>Evaluation mechanism</td>
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<td>Recommendations</td>
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<td>Need to developed the changes that</td>
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2. Presentation of Curriculum

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<td>The outcome was met well and no further improvements can be suggested</td>
<td>The majority of the outcome was met and minor improvements can be suggested.</td>
<td>The outcome was somewhat met with room for improvement in areas.</td>
<td>The outcome was mostly not met. Major improvements are needed.</td>
<td>The outcome was not met at all and the presentation style or technique needs refocusing.</td>
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**VERBAL COMMUNICATION TECHNIQUES**

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<th>1. Was the purpose of the communication presented initially (objectives provided)?</th>
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<td>2. Did the communicator present information that was appropriate &amp; relevant for the receiver?</td>
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<td>3. Was the communicator clear and concise therefore using time appropriately?</td>
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<td>4. Was the language appropriate for the receiver?</td>
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<td>5. Was the communication gender neutral?</td>
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<td>6. Was the communication culturally sensitive?</td>
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<td>7. Did periods of silence demonstrate thoughtfulness about information?</td>
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<td>8. Did the communicator present as knowledgeable and provide accurate, organized information?</td>
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<td>9. Were questions dealt with appropriately (given thought, encouragement and answered accurately)?</td>
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<td>10. Did the communicator indicate verbally that he/she was paying attention (actively listening) to the receiver(s) questions?</td>
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<td>11. Did the communicator encourage the receiver(s) to participate in discussion?</td>
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<td>12. Did the communicator appeal to multiple senses of the receiver by providing a variety of communication methods (handouts, visuals, auditory reinforcements) as appropriate?</td>
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<td>Did the communicator present in a relaxed and unhurried manner (ex: body posture)?</td>
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<td>Did the communicator engage with the receiver(s) or audience (sensitive to receiver)?</td>
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<td>Did the communicator demonstrate an open attitude (ex: did not cross arms, hurry or turn away, tone)?</td>
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<td>Was the communicator demonstrating cultural awareness (ex: personal space, eye contact)?</td>
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<td>Was non-verbal communication congruent with verbal communication?</td>
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<td>Did the nonverbal cues convey appropriate control and status (command of subject without speaking “down” to receiver)?</td>
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Points attained: __________ out of 100 possible = grade:___________________
FRANCIS MARION UNIVERSITY: DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED NEW COURSE or MODIFICATION OF AN EXISTING COURSE

Department/ School_ Nursing _ Date_ 8-30-11 ____________________________

Course No. or Level_ APRN 708_ Title_ Academic Practicum

Semester hours_ 3_ Clock hours: Lecture_ 0_ (On-line)_ Laboratory_ 9

Prerequisites: APRN 501, 502, 503, 504

Enrollment expectation_ 12 ____________

Indicate any course for which this course is a (an)

modification__ N/A ______________
(proposed change in course title, course description, course content or method of instruction)

substitute__ N/A ______________
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Name of person preparing course description_ Ruth Wittmann-Price

Department Chairperson’s/Dean's Signature__________________________

Provost’s Signature__________________________________________________

Date of Implementation____ Spring 2014

Date of School/Department approval____ October 4, 2011________________

Catalog description:
This course is a practicum course and will concentrate on developing an academic teaching/learning session with a qualified preceptor. The expectations of this course are that students will receive teaching experience in the classroom and will demonstrate skill and competency in assessing learners’ needs. The goal of the course is that students will develop and implement an educational session, and evaluate learner knowledge acquisition.
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Learning Outcomes: At the conclusion of this course, the learner will be able to:
1. Develop a teaching plan which facilitates active classroom learning;
2. Recognizes different learning styles within one classroom;
3. Constructs a method to evaluate learning outcomes;
4. Discusses how learning session contributes to program outcomes;
5. Demonstrates competence and leadership in a didactic teaching process;
6. Integrates evidence into teaching plan development;
7. Discusses methods of enhancing the scholarship of teaching; and
8. Incorporates teaching session into developing academic portfolio.

Purpose:
This course will provide the learners with a semester of academic teaching with a preceptor.

Teaching Strategies:
Teaching strategies will consist of independent guidance and feedback, discussions, seminars, written assignments, and computer-assisted instructions.

Textbook(s):
Required:

Course Content:
This course will include the learner actually student teaching in a school of nursing at the associate or BSN level. The learner will develop a teaching plan, strategy, and evaluation tool for the session. If the learner who is not local they will video tape the session and mail the taped copy to the instructor.
Course Title: Academic Practicum
Course Number: APRN 708
Credit Hours: (3: 9) (135 practicum hours)
Day and time: TBA
Location: TBA
Prerequisites: APRN 501, 502, 503, 504
Faculty: 
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**Grievance Procedures**

The Department of Nursing adheres to the University Guidelines for Student Concerns or Complaints as outlined in the current edition of *Francis Marion University Catalog*. Student concerns or complaints are handled in a professional manner. Discussion and problem solving of issues should be based on facts. Resolutions should acknowledge the satisfaction of all parties, but must maintain the integrity of the nursing program. If the issue(s) cannot be resolved through the procedures below, a formal grievance may be filed as described in the current edition of the *University Student Handbook (current edition)*. Refer also to the *Department of Nursing’s Graduate Student Handbook (current edition)*.

**ACADEMIC INFORMATION**

**Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA):**

If you have a documented disability and require special assistance or accommodations, contact the University Counseling and Testing Center (*Francis Marion University Student Handbook, current edition*). No accommodations will be made without proper documentation from the University Counseling and Testing Center. The student must provide documentation indicating the accommodations approved by the staff of the Counseling and Testing Center to the course coordinator and/or clinical instructor. The student must request in writing the accommodations approved by the staff of the Counseling and Testing Center and meet with the course coordinator before any accommodations will be made. The student must adhere to these accommodations throughout the semester. The student must provide documentation of approved
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**Academic Dishonesty**

See Honor Code found in the University Student Hand Book: Rights and Responsibilities Standards of Conduct (current edition). All students and faculty are expected to refrain from acts of academic misconduct including, but not limited to, plagiarism, the giving or falsifying of any academic documents or related materials, cheating, and the giving or receiving of unauthorized aid in tests, examinations, or other assigned work. Please see the Department of Nursing Graduate Student Handbook (current edition): Academic Integrity.

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**South Carolina Nurse Practice Act**

Students must abide by the South Carolina Nurse Practice Act for APRNs (South Carolina Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation: Board of Nursing, 2009).
Computer Use

Computers are an essential learning tool, with the cost dependent upon vendor and configuration. It is a requirement that nursing students have access to his/her own personal computer. The minimum configuration should include access to the Internet and support the latest version of Windows and Windows Office Suite (Word, PowerPoint). The hardware specifications necessary should be consistent with those of your Internet Provider. Please see the Department of Nursing Graduate Student Handbook for further computer, email, and hand-held device information.

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3. Video of Teaching Experience

Presentation of Teaching Strategy

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**VERBAL COMMUNICATION TECHNIQUES**

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2. Did the communicator present information that was appropriate & relevant for the receiver?

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<td>7. Did periods of silence demonstrate thoughtfulness about information?</td>
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<td>9. Were questions dealt with appropriately (given thought, encouragement and answered accurately)?</td>
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<td>11. Did the communicator encourage the receiver(s) to participate in discussion?</td>
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<td>12. Did the communicator appeal to multiple senses of the receiver by providing a variety of communication methods (handouts, visuals, auditory reinforcements) as appropriate?</td>
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Pass/ Fail
FRANCIS MARION UNIVERSITY: DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED NEW COURSE or MODIFICATION OF AN EXISTING COURSE

Department/ School__ Nursing __ Date____8-30-11_____

Course No. or Level _APRN 709_ Title_ Clinical Practicum_

Semester hours  ____3____ Clock hours: Lecture ____0____ (On-line) Laboratory ____9____

Prerequisites: ____APRN 501, 502, 503, 504____

Enrollment expectation __12_____

Indicate any course for which this course is a (an)

   modification _____ N/A ________________
   (proposed change in course title, course description, course content or method of instruction)

   substitute _____ N/A ________________
   (The proposed new course replaces a deleted course as a General Education or program requirement.)

   alternate _____ N/A ________________
   (The proposed new course can be taken as an alternate to an existing course.)

Name of person preparing course description ___Ruth Wittmann-Price_____

Department Chairperson’s/Dean's Signature ________

Provost’s Signature_______________________________

Date of Implementation________ Fall 2014
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**Textbook(s): Required:**

**Course Content**
This course will include the teaching student or staff nurses in a clinical setting. The learner will develop a teaching plan, strategy, and evaluation tool for the sessions. If the student is not local he/she will video tape the session and mail the taped copy to the instructor.
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Course Number: APRN 709
Credit Hours: (3: 0, 9) (135 practicum hours)
Day and time: TBA
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FRANCIS MARION UNIVERSITY: DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED NEW COURSE or MODIFICATION OF AN EXISTING COURSE

Department/ School Nursing Date 8-30-11

Course No. or Level APRN 710 Title Educational Capstone Seminar

Semester hours 3 Clock hours: Lecture 3 (On-line) Laboratory 0

Prerequisites: APRN 501, 502, 503, 504
Prerequisite/corequisite: APRN 604, 605, EDUC 621, 622, 742

Enrollment expectation 12

Indicate any course for which this course is a (an)

   modification N/A
   (proposed change in course title, course description, course content or method of instruction)

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Name of person preparing course description Ruth Wittmann-Price

Department Chairperson’s/Dean's Signature

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__________________________________________________________
Date of Implementation _______ Fall 2014
Date of School/Department approval _______ October 4, 2011 _______

Catalog Description:
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2. It will include legal and ethical principles as well as future roles of nursing educators.

Teaching Strategies:
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FRANCIS MARION UNIVERSITY: DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED NEW COURSE or MODIFICATION OF AN EXISTING COURSE

Department/School   EDUCATION Date   8/19/09

Course No. or Level  EDUC 555

Title  Introduction to Educational Programs for Children of Poverty

Semester hours  3  Clock hours:  Lecture 3  Laboratory 0

Prerequisites  Permission of the Graduate School of Education

Enrollment expectation  30

Indicate any course for which this course is a (an)

Modification  EDUC 555
(proposed change in course title, course description, course content or method of instruction)

Substitute  n/a
(The proposed new course replaces a deleted course as a General Education or program requirement.)

Alternate  n/a
(The proposed new course can be taken as an alternate to an existing course.)

Name of person preparing course description  TAMMY PAWLOSKI

Department Chairperson’s/Dean's Signature  

Provost's Signature  

Date of Implementation  SUMMER 2012

Date of School/Department approval  XXXXX

Catalog description:
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1. **For Whom (generally?)**
   This course is designed for graduate students in education who have an interest in teaching children from impoverished backgrounds or who have interest in seeking designation as a Center of Excellence Scholar through the FMU School of Education.

2. **What should the course do for the student?**
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   Ultimately, it is designed to help solve the problems inherent in educating children of poverty by developing expertise in those that work with these children on a daily basis. This course will become the introductory requirement of the Center of Excellence Scholars program, a professional development program to be sponsored by FMU’s Center of Excellence to Prepare Teachers of Children of Poverty. It is expected that it will also be the introductory course in a series of four courses that will lead to Add-On Certification – Teaching Children of Poverty awarded by the South Carolina State Department of Education.

**Teaching method planned:**
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This course will include the use of the following teaching methods:
- Lecture
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- Role play
- Journaling
- Field Trips and Guest Speakers
- Independent Observation and Practice

**Textbook and/or materials planned (including electronic-multimedia):**

*The materials listed below are a portion of the holdings of the FMU Center of Excellence to Prepare Teachers of Children of Poverty Resource Library:*

**Books**

- *Poverty Children and Their Language*  
  Adler, S.
- *What Really Matters for Struggling Readers*  
  Allington, R.
- *Schools that Work: Where all Children Read and Write*  
  Allington, R. & Cunningham, P.
- *Service-Learning in Teacher Education*  
  Anderson, J., Swick, K. J., & Yff, J.
- *A Taxonomy for Learning, Teaching, and Assessing – Revision of Bloom’s Taxonomy (Abridged edition)*  
  Anderson, L. W. and Krathwohl, D. R.
- *Reading First and Beyond*  
  Block, C. & Israel, S.
- *Raising Lifelong Learners*  
  Calkins, L.
Differential Assessment Strategies: One Tool Doesn't Fit All
Six Pathways to Healthy Child Development and Academic Success
Classrooms that Work: They Can All Read and Write
The Three Minute Classroom Walk-Though
Reaching and Teaching Children Who are Victims of Poverty
Years of Poverty, Years of Plenty
Putting the Pieces Together
School, Family, and Community Partnerships

Handbook of Classroom Management
Differentiating Instruction with Style
Differential Instructional Strategies
Data Driven Differentiation in the Standards-Based Classroom
Star Principals Serving Children in Poverty
Star Teachers of Children in Poverty
Individualizing Professional Development
Critical Knowledge for Diverse Teachers and Learners
Dynamic Instructional Leadership
Building Background Knowledge for Academic Achievement
Building Academic Vocabulary
Teach Them All to Read

A Framework for Understanding Poverty
Crossing the Tracks for Love
Understanding Learning: the How, the Why, the What
What Every Church Member Should Know About Poverty
Hidden Rules of Class at Work
Bridges Out of Poverty
The Action Research Guidebook
Living on a Tightrope: a Survival Guide for Principals
Aligning and Balancing the Standards-Based Curriculum
10 Best Teaching Practices
Relationship-Driven Classroom Management

Media
“Conrack” (VHS)
Corridor of Shame: The Neglect of South Carolina's Rural Schools (DVD)
What Every Church Member Should Know about Poverty: Sermons (Cassettes)
The Water is Wide (DVD)

Training Materials
Framework for Understanding Poverty: 2 day Workshop (Set of 5 CDs)
Rita's Stories (VHS) (Companion to "Framework for Understanding Poverty")
Journal/Magazine Articles

- Newsweek Health, Sept. 11, 2006 issue: The New First Grade: Too Much Too Soon?
- The Item, Sumter, SC, October 22, 2006 issue: “How do you get out of poverty”  
  o (Month-long series, click Poverty at top of page to view all the articles in the series)
- The Achievement Gap: Overcoming the Income Gap (article) INFOBRIEF
- Recent Research on the Achievement Gap
- Education Week article "From Cradle to Career - Connecting American Education From Birth Through Adulthood"
- “Poverty in America with Some Focus on South Carolina” by Richard D. Young
- “The Effects of Poverty on Teaching and Learning” by Karen M. Pellino
- edweek.org Online Chat – Feb. 12, 2007 - Topic: Educational Equity on Trial
- National Center for Children of Poverty article, Sept. 2006  
  o “Effective Preschool Curricular and Teaching Strategies”
- Creating Good Schools for Children in Poverty Through Title 1 Schoolwide Programs
- Education World Wire Side Charts – How Understanding Poverty Can Help Low-Income Children Learn
- Rand Corporation – Children at Risk - Consequences for School Readiness and Beyond
- Preparing teachers for children in poverty...
- http://www2.edtrust.org/EdTrust/PressRoom/Funding+Gap+2005.htm
  o “Breaking the Link Between Teacher Expectations and Black Students’ Performance”
  o “Teachers Make a Difference in Student Performance”
  o “Researchers Offer Lessons Learned to Overcome the Achievement Gap”
- http://www-gse.berkeley.edu/research/crede/tools/aera/position_paper.html  
  o “Closing the Achievement Gap Through Teacher Preparation”
- http://www.edexcellence.net/foundation/publication/publication.cfm?id=363  
  o “How Well Are States Educating Our Neediest Children”
  o “Achievement Gap: An Examination of Differences in Student Achievement and Growth”
- Risk and Protective Factors for Childhood Vulnerability  
  o Dr. Doug Willms (2007 COE Spring Colloquium speaker)
  o “Schools Can’t Repair All of Poverty’s Ills”
- http://news.bbc.co.uk/2/hi/uk_news/education/6982090.stm  
  o Schools alone ‘cannot help poor’ – BBC News
- http://findarticles.com/p/articles/mi_qa3785/is_199809/ai_n8814936  
  o Teaching for Meaning in High-Poverty Classrooms – www.FindArticles.com
- Preparing Teachers for Children in Poverty – The School Administrator – Dec. 05
- http://www.childtrendsdatabank.org/indicators/4Poverty.cfm  
  o Children in Poverty
- http://www.uwsp.edu/Education/lwilson/poems/dressings.htm  
  o Poem: Dressings
  o Child Poverty is Highest in Rural Counties in U.S.
- http://www.ncfr.org/about/news_read.asp?id=1070  
- Researchers Gain Understanding of How Poverty Alters the Brain
Course Content: (Please explain the content of the course in enough detail so that the Academic Affairs Committee can make an informed judgment. Include a syllabus for the course.)

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   b. Language and Literacy
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      2. Language rich classrooms
      3. Struggling readers
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      1. Growth and development as it drives curriculum design
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   5. Assessment data organized by poverty subgroups

5. Teachers as Learners, Leaders and Advocates
   a. The Teacher as a Learner
      1. Self-reflection and self-evaluation
      2. The responsibilities of role models
      3. Teacher qualities that result in student success
   b. The Teacher as a Leader
      1. Ways teachers lead
      2. Leadership through professional organization membership/participation
   c. The Teacher as an Advocate for Children of Poverty
      1. The importance of advocacy
      2. Strategies for advocacy

(Syllabus attached)

When completed, forward to the Office of the Provost. 9/03
New Course Syllabus  (changes are identified in red)

Introduction to Educational Programs for Children of Poverty
EDUC 555 Graduate

Instructor: Dr. Tammy Pawloski
Office: CFC 119, 661-1475  Home:
Office Hours:  
E-mail: tpawloski@fmarion.edu
Prerequisites: Permission of the Graduate School of Education
Corequisites: None
Meeting Times:  
Meeting Location:  

School of Education Conceptual Framework:

The School of Education prepares competent and caring teachers.

I. Competent teachers possess
   A. Knowledge of content in their area of teaching
   B. Professional knowledge and skills
      1. Ability to plan instruction
      2. Ability to apply skills and knowledge in a clinical setting
      3. Ability to cause learning in P -12 students
      4. Ability to assess learning and learners
      5. Ability to work with children of poverty
      6. Ability to use technology

II. Caring teachers possess
   Professional Dispositions
   A. Exhibits professional attributes
   B. Respects the Learning Process in demonstrating instructional/assessment flexibility and accommodations to individual differences that reflect the belief that all students can learn regardless of their backgrounds.
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Demonstration/modeling…… of techniques for planning, implementation, and assessment of teaching strategies

Readings, question/answer, discussion……………. related to topics in readings

Hands-on experience………… use of various teaching strategies and multimedia technologies in the classroom as well as the clinical setting.

Collaboration……………… small/large group activities that require students to think about issues related to the text and class discussion topics

Peer coaching/review………. of assignments and projects

Reflection……………………. on effective applications of content

Course Requirements
1. Attendance and participation in all classes.
2. Completion of textbook readings before class dates indicated on schedule.
3. Successful completion of all assignments/projects.
4. Successful completion of quizzes/demonstrations.

Course Policies (Attendance, Grading, Professional Behavior)

Professional Behavior: Dispositions are as important as academic work. Graduate students are expected to conduct themselves in a professional manner at all times. This includes adhering to the FMU attendance policy [no more than two absences]; punctuality for all classes and meetings, because late arrivals to class are a disruption and a diversion from the class session already in progress [two tardies/early departures equal one absence]; and the active cultivation of positive peer and teacher relationships. In this course, all graduate students in education have the right to learn in a respectful environment and the instructor has the right to teach in a respectful environment. Engaging in personal conversations, preparing for another class, or being inattentive distracts other class participants, including your professor, and will not be tolerated. It is expected that all students participate in class appropriately. Any failure to demonstrate appropriate professional dispositions will result in disciplinary actions that comply with FMU SOE policies that may include withdrawal from the course.

Collaboration: Graduate students are encouraged to take advantage of peers as resources throughout the course, and, when approved in advance by the professor, students may collaborate on assignments. If students participate in such collaborative efforts, “Collaboration Rubrics” must be submitted by all members of the team.

Assignments:
Due Dates: Assignments and responsibilities are due at the beginning of class on the date specified. Assignments will be considered unacceptable past the due date, unless approved in advance by the professor, and late assignment grades may be dropped one letter grade for each day late even if a late submission is approved by the professor. Graduate students must retain all graded assignments throughout the course. These must be presented should any discrepancy occur between grades received and recorded. Should students have questions about an assignment, the professor must be contacted WELL IN ADVANCE of the due date for clarification or other assistance.

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School of Education News and Announcements on Website
Each week remember to check the “News and Announcements” page for any upcoming deadlines required for your completion in the education program and for special information regarding your major. You may do this by going to the Francis Marion Website, www.fmarion.edu, clicking on the
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LIVETEXT
LiveText is the computerized assessment system utilized by the School of Education to collect data required for NCATE accreditation. Throughout their programs, teacher candidates will submit assignments through LiveText for assessment.

Course Assessments
Academic Portfolio: The EDUC 555 graduate student will compile a portfolio comprised of the assignments listed below: (General descriptions of each project are included below, and examples, specific oral and written instructions, and scoring rubrics regarding each project will be provided separately.)

Graded Activities Related to All Content Areas:
- **Class Participation and Dispositions:** The graduate student in education will participate in class discussions and related activities in a genuine and informed manner to exemplify the completion of assignments and preparation for class. All materials must be maintained in a neatly organized portfolio. Format and rubric will be provided that detail assessment categories. YOU MUST EARN THESE POINTS! (20 points)
- **Readings Reviews:** The graduate student in education will read and review, according to the format provided, 5 journal articles in specific areas of TCOP (The Culture of Poverty; The Classroom Community; Family and Community Partnerships; Curriculum Design, Instructional Strategies and Assessment; Teachers as Learners, Leaders and Advocates). Rubrics will be provided that detail assessment categories. (10 points each; 50 points total)
- **Multimedia Presentation:** The graduate student in education will work as a member of a small group (no more than 5 per group) to develop and present a multi-media presentation on Teaching Children of Poverty. The presentation must be fully developed, following the format discussed in class. Format and rubric will be provided that detail assessment categories. (50 points total)
- **TCOP On-Line Journal Article Submission:** The graduate student in education will work as a member of a small group (no more than 5 per group) to write a submission to Teaching Children of Poverty On Line Journal. The submission must be fully developed, following all format specifications outlined by the COE. Format and rubric will be provided that detail assessment categories. (50 points total)
- **Center of Excellence Essay Contest Entry:** The graduate student in education will submit an essay in the COE Essay Contest, following all format specifications outlined by the COE. Format and rubric will be provided that detail assessment categories. (Up to 25 points EXTRA CREDIT)

Graded Activities Related to the Culture of Poverty
- **Middle Class vs. Poverty: Comparison of Cultures:** The graduate student in education will work as a member of a group to research cultural differences. The group will develop a T-Chart, Venn Diagram, or other graphic organizer that illustrates the results of that research. Organizers will be shared with the class. Format and rubric will be provided that detail assessment categories. (10 points total)
- **Communication Guidelines** The graduate student in education will work as a member of a group to research best practices for communication with children and families that live in poverty. The group will develop a visual display (SMART board slides, chart or other graphic organizer) that illustrates the results of that research. Visual displays will be shared with the class. Format and rubric will be provided that detail assessment categories. (10 points total)
- **Service Learning Project:** The graduate student in education will work as a member of a group to plan and execute a service learning project that benefits children of poverty or their families. The project must be
Assignments Related to the Classroom Community

- **Personal Motivators of Children of Poverty**: The graduate student in education will conduct interviews with children of poverty in local schools and their teachers to determine personal motivators. Student groups will brainstorm ways that classrooms, curriculum, and teaching would have to be re-designed in order to provide for meaningful, engaged learning on the part of children of poverty. Individuals or groups of students should work together to complete the Personal Motivators DATA COLLECTION CHART based on the readings, structured conversations and data collection conducted with local teachers. Formats and rubric will be provided that detail assessment categories. (45 points total)

- **Relationship-Driven Classroom Community Management Plan**: The graduate student in education will compile a strategic plan for developing and managing a relationship-driven classroom community. The plan will serve as a model for use with future students, therefore it is not expected that age-specific details will be included. The plan should be based on knowledge of child growth and development, children of poverty, theories of education, classroom management and behavior guidance strategies. The plan must have flexibility for use with children of varying chronological/developmental ages/abilities. A format and rubric will be provided that detail assessment categories. (50 points)

Assignments Related to Family and Community Partnerships

- **Family and Community Partnerships Plan**: The graduate student in education will develop an outline of activities based on Epstein’s Six Types of Involvement that will be implemented throughout the school year to facilitate family involvement/education in the classroom and especially with children of poverty and their families. A format and rubric will be provided that detail assessment categories. (50 points)

- **Home Visit/P-T-C Conference Plans**: The graduate student in education will develop a home visit plan. The plan should include objectives for parent, child and teacher. A format and rubric will be provided that detail assessment categories. (6 points) The graduate student in education will develop a plan for conferencing with a parent and child. The plan should identify how a 30-minute conference will be structured to share information regarding the child’s progress with the parent and child. The plan should include objectives for parent, child and teacher. A format and rubric will be provided that detail assessment categories. (20 points)

Assignments Related to Curriculum Design, Instructional Strategies & Assessment

- **Aligned Assessments**: Working in small groups, graduate students in education will select 4 state standards and create instructional activities and accompanying assessments that are aligned with the standards and that are appropriate for children of poverty. A format and rubric will be provided that detail assessment categories. [www.myscschools.org](http://www.myscschools.org) (20 points total)

- **Assessment Plan**: The graduate student in education will compile a strategic plan for assessing the growth, development, and achievement of students. The plan will serve as a model for use with future students, therefore it is not expected that age-specific details will be included. The plan should be based upon knowledge and philosophy of child growth and development, and theories and principles of education and assessment. The plan must reflect flexibility for use with children of varying chronological/developmental ages/abilities. A format and rubric will be provided that detail assessment categories. (50 points)

Assignments Related to Teachers as Learners, Leaders and Advocates

- **Advocacy**: The graduate student in education will work as a member of a group to plan and execute an activity that is designed to promote awareness of the needs of children of poverty or to otherwise advocate
for them. The project must be approved in advance by the professor and be completed within the semester of course enrollment. Format and rubric will be provided that detail assessment categories. (25 points total)

- **Professional Growth:** The graduate student in education will participate in a minimum of two professional organization events or activities approved in advance by the professor. A one page written report must be submitted. Format and rubric will be provided that detail assessment categories (40 points total)

- **Course Documentation Record:** The graduate student in education will complete a written record at the conclusion of each class meeting that documents attendance, participation, and key topics discussed during the class meeting. The record will be submitted during the class meeting prior to the final exam period. Format and rubric will be provided that detail assessment categories. (Course Credit / No Course Credit)

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New Course Resources

Capital:
This course will require a traditional classroom with internet capabilities. No other capital expenditures will be necessary. While this course will become a component of the COE Scholars, it will be offered for study prior to the implementation of that program.

Human Resources:
This course is planned for Late Spring or Summer Session and will require salary and fringes for one faculty member. Funds have been included in the Center of Excellence Budget.
Catalog description:

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Purpose:

1. **For Whom (generally?)**
   
   This course is designed for graduate students in education who have an interest in teaching children from impoverished backgrounds or who have interest in seeking Add-On Certification for Teachers of Children of Poverty or designation as a Center of Excellence Scholar through the FMU School of Education.

2. **What should the course do for the student?**

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Ultimately, it is designed to help solve the problems inherent in educating children of poverty by developing expertise in those that work with these children on a daily basis. This course will become the second course in a series that is expected to lead to Add-On Certification for Teachers of Children of Poverty, as developed by FMU’s Center of Excellence to Prepare Teachers of Children of Poverty and mandated by the South Carolina State Legislature through Proviso 1A.53:

"... Of the funds appropriated for Centers of Excellence, $350,000 must be allocated to the Francis Marion University Center of Excellence to Prepare Teachers of Children of Poverty to expand statewide training for individuals who teach children of poverty through weekend college, non-traditional or alternative learning opportunities. The center also is charged with developing a sequence of knowledge and skills and program of study for add-on certification for teachers specializing in teaching children of poverty."

**Teaching method planned:**

Each class will be a combination of demonstration/modeling, discussion, and direct teaching of techniques followed by hands-on practice by students. Graduate students in education will have opportunities to work independently and collaboratively with other graduate students in education. Peer coaching and peer review techniques will be used to facilitate instruction, learning and assessment.

This course will include the use of the following teaching methods:

- Lecture
- Small and Large Group Traditional and Action Research-Based Activities
- Role play
- Journaling
- Field Trips and Guest Speakers
- Independent Observation and Practice
Textbook and/or materials planned (including electronic/multimedia):

The materials listed below are a portion of the holdings of the FMU Center of Excellence to Prepare Teachers of Children of Poverty Resource Library: Period consistency following initials

Books

Poverty Children and Their Language
What Really Matters for Struggling Readers
Schools that Work: Where all Children Read and Write
Service-Learning in Teacher Education
A Taxonomy for Learning, Teaching, and Assessing – Revision of Bloom’s Taxonomy (Abridged edition)
Reading First and Beyond
Raising Lifelong Learners
Differential Assessment Strategies: One Tool Doesn't Fit All
Six Pathways to Healthy Child Development and Academic Success
Classrooms that Work: They Can All Read and Write
The Three Minute Classroom Walk-Though
Reaching and Teaching Children Who are Victims of Poverty
Years of Poverty, Years of Plenty
Putting the Pieces Together
School, Family, and Community Partnerships
Handbook of Classroom Management
Differentiating Instruction with Style
Differential Instructional Strategies
Data Driven Differentiation in the Standards-Based Classroom
Star Principals Serving Children in Poverty
Star Teachers of Children in Poverty
Individualizing Professional Development
Critical Knowledge for Diverse Teachers and Learners
Dynamic Instructional Leadership
Building Background Knowledge for Academic Achievement
Building Academic Vocabulary
Teach Them All to Read

A Framework for Understanding Poverty
Crossing the Tracks for Love
Understanding Learning: the How, the Why, the What
What Every Church Member Should Know About Poverty
Hidden Rules of Class at Work
Bridges Out of Poverty
The Action Research Guidebook
Living on a Tightrope: a Survival Guide for Principals
Aligning and Balancing the Standards-Based Curriculum
10 Best Teaching Practices

Adler, S.
Allington, R.
Allington, R. & Cunningham, P.
Anderson, J., Swick, K. J., & Yff, J.
Anderson, L. W. and Krathwohl, D. R.
Block, C. & Israel, S.
Calkins, L.
Chapman, C. & King, R.
Comer, J. P., Joyner, E. T., Ben-Avie, M.
Cunningham, P. & Allington, R.
Downey, C., Steffy, B., English, F., Frase, L. & Poston, W.
Duhon-Ross, A.
Duncan, G.
Ellis, K.
Epstein, J, Sanders, M., Simon, B., Salina, K., Jansorn, N., & Voorhis, F.
Evertson, C. & Weinstein, C.
Gregory, G.
Gregory, G & Chapman, C.
Gregory, G. & Kuzmich, L.
Haberman, M.
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Irvine, J.
Joyner, E. T., Ben-Avie, M., Comer, J. P.
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McEwan, E.
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Payne, R., DeVol, P., & Smith, T.
Sagor, R.
Sommers, B. & Payne, R.
Squires, D.
Tileston, D.
Media
“Conrack” (VHS)
Corridor of Shame: The Neglect of South Carolina’s Rural Schools (DVD)
What Every Church Member Should Know about Poverty: Sermons (Cassettes)
The Water is Wide (DVD)

Training Materials
Framework for Understanding Poverty: 2 day Workshop (Set of 5 CDs)
Rita's Stories (VHS) (Companion to “Framework for Understanding Poverty”)

Journal/Magazine Articles
• Newsweek Health, Sept. 11, 2006 issue: The New First Grade: Too Much Too Soon?
• The Item, Sumter, SC, October 22, 2006 issue: “How do you get out of poverty”
  o (Month-long series, click Poverty at top of page to view all the articles in the series)
• The Achievement Gap: Overcoming the Income Gap (article) INFOBRIEF
• Recent Research on the Achievement Gap
• Education Week article ”From Cradle to Career - Connecting American Education From Birth Through Adulthood”
• “Poverty in America with Some Focus on South Carolina” by Richard D. Young
• “The Effects of Poverty on Teaching and Learning” by Karen M. Pellino
• edweek.org Online Chat – Feb. 12, 2007 - Topic: Educational Equity on Trial
• National Center for Children of Poverty article, Sept. 2006
  o “Effective Preschool Curricular and Teaching Strategies”
• Creating Good Schools for Children in Poverty Through Title 1 Schoolwide Programs
• Education World Wire Side Charts – How Understanding Poverty Can Help Low-Income Children Learn
• Rand Corporation – Children at Risk - Consequences for School Readiness and Beyond
• Preparing teachers for children in poverty...
• http://www2.edtrust.org/EdTrust/Press+Room/High+School+2005.htm
• http://www2.edtrust.org/EdTrust/Press+Room/Funding+Gap+2005.htm
• http://search.learningpt.org/query.html?qt=achievement+gap
  o “Breaking the Link Between Teacher Expectations and Black Students' Performance”
  o “Teachers Make a Difference in Student Performance”
  o “Researchers Offer Lessons Learned to Overcome the Achievement Gap”
• http://www.gse.berkeley.edu/research/crede/tools/aera/position_paper.html
  o “Closing the Achievement Gap Through Teacher Preparation”
• http://www.edexcellence.net/foundation/publication/publication.cfm?id=363
  o “How Well Are States Educating Our Neediest Children”
• http://www.nwea.org/assets/research/national/AchGap_11.11.061.pdf
  o “Achievement Gap: An Examination of Differences in Student Achievement and Growth”
• Risk and Protective Factors for Childhood Vulnerability
  o Dr. Doug Wills (2007 COE Spring Colloquium speaker)
• http://www.thestate.com/editorial-columns/story/185851.html
  o “Schools Can’t Repair All of Poverty’s Ills”
• http://news.bbc.co.uk/2/hi/uk_news/education/6982090.stm
  o Schools alone ‘cannot help poor’ – BBC News
• http://findarticles.com/p/articles/mi_qa3785/is_199809/ai_n8814936
Course Content:  (Please explain the content of the course in enough detail so that the Academic Affairs Committee can make an informed judgment. Include a syllabus for the course.)

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(Syllabus attached)

When completed, forward to the Office of the Provost.

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Appendix B: New Course Syllabus

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School of Education Conceptual Framework:

The School of Education prepares competent and caring teachers.

I. Competent teachers possess
   A. Knowledge of content in their area of teaching
   B. Professional knowledge and skills
      1. Ability to plan instruction
      2. Ability to apply skills and knowledge in a clinical setting
      3. Ability to cause learning in P-12 students
      4. Ability to assess learning and learners
      5. Ability to work with children of poverty
      6. Ability to use technology

II. Caring teachers possess
    Professional Dispositions
    A. Exhibits professional attributes
    B. Respects the Learning Process in demonstrating instructional/assessment flexibility and accommodations to individual differences that reflect the belief that all students can learn regardless of their backgrounds.
    C. Upholds Ethical and Professional Standards
    D. Shows respect for families, cultures and communities and demonstrates a sense of fairness and respect to all participants within each group.
    E. Shows respect for colleagues, P-12 students, faculty and staff

FMU Center of Excellence Teaching Children of Poverty Standards

Standard 1. Life in Poverty: Teacher candidates exemplify their understanding of students’ behavior and learning differences that may occur as a result of a life in poverty. Teacher candidates apply acquired knowledge, skills and dispositions grounded in current research to create learning environments that value, engage and support children of poverty as capable learners.

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Course Materials

Required Texts

NONE

Recommended Texts


Other Course Materials

You will need one recordable DVD upon which to record your instructional lessons for submission to your professor for viewing. VHS tapes are not acceptable; you may submit a jump drive. You will need access to video equipment for use in recording your instructional lessons. Equipment is available through the Education Office; however it must be reserved well in advance of the date it is needed.

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**Course Requirements**
1. Attendance and participation in all classes and related activities.
2. Completion of required text or internet readings and other preparations before class dates indicated on schedule.
3. Successful completion of all assignments/projects.
4. Successful completion of quizzes/demonstrations.

**Course Policies (Attendance, Grading, Professional Behavior)**

*Professional Behavior*

*Dispositions are as important as academic work.* Teacher candidates are expected to conduct themselves in a professional manner at all times. This includes adhering to the FMU attendance policy [no more than two absences]; punctuality for all classes and meetings, because late arrivals to class are a disruption and a diversion from the class session already in progress [note: two tardies/early departures equal one absence], and the active cultivation of positive peer and teacher...
In every Early Childhood Education course, all teacher candidates have the right to learn in a respectful environment and the instructor has the right to teach in a respectful environment. Engaging in personal conversations, preparing assignments for another class, checking cell phones, emails, or text messages, or otherwise being inattentive **distracts other class participants, including your professor**, and will not be tolerated. It is expected that all teacher candidates participate in class appropriately.

**Any failure to demonstrate appropriate professional dispositions will result in disciplinary actions that comply with FMU SOE policies that may include withdrawal from the course.**

### School of Education News and Announcements on Website

Each week remember to check the “News and Announcements” page for any upcoming deadlines required for your completion in the education program and for special information regarding your major. You may do this by going to the Francis Marion Website, [www.fmarion.edu](http://www.fmarion.edu), clicking on the drop-down box under “Quick Links”, choosing “School of Education”, and then clicking “News and Announcements” under the column on the left side of the page.

### LIVETEXT

LIVEText is the computerized assessment system utilized by the School of Education to collect data required for NCATE accreditation. Throughout their programs, teacher candidates will submit assignments through LiveText for assessment.

### Collaboration

Teacher candidates are encouraged to take advantage of peers as resources as appropriate throughout the course, and, **when approved in advance by the professor**, candidates may collaborate on assignments. If candidates participate in such collaborative efforts, a “Collaboration Rubric” must be submitted by each member of the team.

### Assignment Deadlines

Assignments and responsibilities are due at the beginning of class on the date specified. Assignments will be considered unacceptable past the due date, unless approved in advance by the professor, and late assignment grades may be dropped one letter grade for each day late. If the late submission is accepted by the professor.

Teacher candidates must retain all graded assignments throughout the course. These must be presented should any discrepancy occur between grades received and recorded. **Should teacher candidates have questions about an assignment, the professor must be contacted WELL IN ADVANCE of the due date for clarification or other assistance.**

### Neatness/Accuracy

All assignments must be prepared with great attention to detail, neatness, and accuracy. Assignments must be typed (single spaced, 10-12 point font) unless otherwise noted by the instructor. ANY concerns regarding writing skills will be immediately called to the student’s attention, and will generally include referral to the FMU Writing Center for assistance and support. While the focus of the ECE program is content, it is expected that all candidates submit assignments that demonstrate excellent writing skills.

### Rubrics

Rubrics for assignments are provided when appropriate and **all rubrics must be completed in full by the teacher candidate and submitted along with the assignment in order for the assignment to be considered complete.** Assignments will not be graded without teacher candidate-completed rubrics, and will be deemed “late.” The professor will determine on a case-by-case basis if the late assignment will be accepted after completed rubrics are attached.

### Assignments and Assessments

The EDUC 599 student will compile a portfolio comprised of the assignments listed below: *(General descriptions of each project are included below, and examples, specific oral and written instructions, and scoring rubrics regarding each project are provided separately.)*

LIVEText assignments/assessments are highlighted in pink.

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of aspects of teaching and learning. The Research Agenda will reflect the student’s personal strengths, areas for improvement, and attitudes, especially as they relate to working with children of poverty. Formats and rubric will be provided that detail assessment categories.

**Professional Readings and Reports:** The student will read and review, according to the format provided, 2 journal articles, one in each of two specific areas of TCOP: ‘The Classroom Community,’ and Curriculum Design’ and ‘Instructional Strategies, and Assessment.’ Rubrics will be provided that detail assessment categories.

**Project Plan:** The teacher will work alone or as a member of a small group to develop and implement an inquiry-based, multidisciplinary project plan. Rubrics and format instructions are provided that detail specific assessment categories.

**Purposeful Instruction Videotaped Lessons:** The student will plan, teach and digitally record (DVD) two lessons delivered to a group of children. A detailed lesson plan and self-evaluation must be submitted as provided and discussed in class. Students will work in teams to view peer videos and to complete evaluations (see #7 below). The DVD must be submitted in a zip seal bag with all supporting materials (lesson plan, self-evaluation and narrative, and 1 peer review). Rubrics are provided that detail assessment categories.

**Peer Observation and Evaluation of Purposeful Instruction:** Teacher candidates will formally observe and evaluate instruction implemented by at least one peer teacher. Each student must serve as a peer observer AND each student must have a lesson observed. Format and rubrics are attached that detail assessment categories.

**Bi-Weekly Reflection Journal:** The student will complete bi-weekly entries into a reflection journal in which issues related to teaching children of poverty are the subject. Format and rubrics are attached that detail assessment categories. A total of 15 journals should be completed by the end of the course.

**Leadership:** The student will identify areas for leadership within the school culture, and implement specific strategies for assuming that leadership. Formats and rubric will be provided that detail assessment categories.

**Final Presentation:** The student will plan and deliver a final presentation that illustrates how instruction and/or assessment have changed to accommodate the needs of children of poverty. This presentation must include visual artifacts, such as PowerPoint slides, a video, or other artifacts. Formats and rubric will be provided that detail assessment categories.

**Class Participation and Dispositions:** The student will participate in class discussions and related activities in a genuine and informed manner to exemplify the completion of assignments and preparation for class and in compliance with all expectations for appropriate dispositions. All course materials must be maintained in a neatly organized portfolio throughout the semester. Format and rubrics are attached that detail assessment categories.

**Professional Growth:** The teacher candidate will participate in a minimum of one Education or Center of Excellence community or professional organization event or activity approved in advance by the professor. A one page written report must be submitted. Format and rubrics are attached that detail assessment categories. Center of Excellence Fall Workshop: Saturday, October 1, 2011 – 8:30 AM – noon.

**Service:** The teacher candidate will participate in a minimum of one School or Center of Excellence service learning/volunteerism activity approved in advance by the professor. A one page written report must be submitted. This activity must be one for which the candidate receives NO FINANCIAL PAYMENT. A rubric and format are provided detailing assessment categories.

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### Grading Scale

Professors may opt to use the following scale—either letter grades or numerical grades for assignments—which will be averaged to compute the final course grade:

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### FMU Final Grade Scale

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**EDUC 599**

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New Course Resources

**Capital:**
This course will require a traditional classroom with internet capabilities. No other capital expenditures will be necessary.

**Human Resources:**
This course is planned for Summer Session 2012 – Fall 2012 and will require salary and fringes for one faculty member. Funds will be included in the Center of Excellence Budget, as required.
Proposals from the School of Education

FRANCIS MARION UNIVERSITY: DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED NEW COURSE or MODIFICATION OF AN EXISTING COURSE

Department/School: Education

Date: September 22, 2011

Course No. or Level: EDUC 771

Title: Introduction to Early Childhood Special Education

Semester hours: 3

Clock hours: 45

Lecture: 35

Laboratory: 10

Prerequisites: None

Enrollment expectation: 20

Name of person preparing course description: Dr. Cindi Nixon

Department Chairperson’s/Dean's Signature ________________________________

Provost's Signature _____________________________________________________

Date of Implementation: Summer 2012

Date of School/Department approval ____________________________

Catalog description:
This course is to provide the student with a broad perspective of the best practices, issues, and concerns facing individuals working in the field of early childhood special education. State and federal laws governing and regulating early childhood special education, program models, community resources, program development, and state agencies and organizations will be addressed. Special emphasis is placed on providing the students with knowledge of philosophies, roles and services of various professionals providing services to young children with special needs.

Purpose: 1. For Whom:

Teachers (public, private and daycare) working with preschool students with disabilities and community service providers working with preschool children (birth to six years).

2. What should the course do for the student?

This course will provide a basic introduction and perspective for working with young children (birth to six years), who have mild to moderate disabilities, or are at risk for disabilities.

Teaching method planned: Lecture, demonstration and classroom observation


Course Content: syllabus attached
**EDUC 771: Introduction to Early Childhood Special Education**

**Professor:** Dr. Cindi Nixon  
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**Telephone:** (843) 661-1551  
**Email:** cnixon@fmarion.edu  
**Office hours:** TBA  
**Class Meets:** TBA/ Summer 2012

**Course Description:**  
The purpose of this course is to provide the student with a broad perspective of the best practices, issues, and concerns facing individuals working in the field of early childhood special education. State and federal laws governing and regulating early childhood special education, program models, community resources, program development, and state agencies and organizations are addressed. Special emphasis is placed on providing the student with the knowledge of philosophies, roles and services of professionals involved with young children with special needs.


**Course goals and objectives:**  
At the completion of the course, the participant will be able to:

1. Explore the philosophical, social, cultural and legal factors that have shaped and continue to affect education, and specifically early childhood special education, in the U.S.
2. Describe the historical development of the field of early childhood special education.
3. Discuss issues and trends in special education, including legislation and litigation, including legislative and judicial mandates related to early childhood special education.
4. Discuss intervention and service delivery models currently used in early childhood special education.
5. Demonstrate an understanding of evidence-based principles that influence education, including early childhood special education.
6. Describe factors that place young children at-risk for disabilities.
7. Describe characteristics of major disabilities.
8. Describe the role of assessment in identification, eligibility, and service delivery for young children and their families.
9. Identify strategies for coordinating community services to children and families.
10. Describe current regulations and procedures governing special education to include individualized education program (IEP) development and individualized family service plan (IFSP).
11. Describe typical settings and service delivery models appropriate for working with infants, toddlers, and young children who are at-risk or who have disabilities.
12. Demonstrate an understanding of models of interpersonal and inter-professional collaboration in working with families on behalf of their young children.
13. Explore the role of participants’ own personal, social, and cultural experiences and perspectives in their professional decision making.
15. Demonstrate person-first respect and understanding of young children and their families.
16. Explain the standards of professionalism and ethics related to serving young children with disabilities and at-risk conditions.

Course Content:
Session 1 – History of Early Childhood Special Education
Session 2 – The Assessment Process
Session 3 – Intervention Services
Session 4 – Parents and Professionals Working Together
Session 5 – Communication Abilities
Session 6 – Cognitive Abilities
Session 7 – Motor Abilities
Session 8 – Social/Emotional Abilities
Session 9 – Sensory Abilities
Session 10 – Health Impairments
Session 11 – Adaptive Abilities
Session 12 – The Importance of Play
Session 13 – Behavior Management
Session 14 – Transitions: Preparing for the Next Step

Course Requirements:
1. The completion of all readings assigned for the course is required. Because the class will be structured around discussion and small group activities, it is imperative that students keep up with the readings and participate in class.

2. Class attendance is important. If, due to an emergency, students will not be in class, they must contact the instructor.

3. All cell phones must be turned off before class begins. Laptops and other electronic devices are to be used for educational and learning purposes only and should not be used during class time to check email, surf the web, or communicate with people outside of the class unless part of the class activity.

4. It is expected that assignments will be turned in on time (the beginning of the class in which they are due). However, it is recognized that graduate students occasionally have serious problems that prevent work completion. If such a dilemma arises, students should speak to the instructor in a timely fashion.

Attendance:
Attendance in class is important to students’ learning; therefore, students are expected to make every effort to attend class sessions. Absences, tardiness, and leaving early may negatively affect course grades. The following policy is from the university course catalog:

Students are expected to attend the class periods of the courses for which they register. In-class participation is important not only to the individual student, but also to the class as a whole. Because class participation may be a factor in grading, instructors may use absence, tardiness, or early departure as de facto evidence of nonparticipation. Students who miss an exam with an acceptable excuse may be penalized according to the individual instructor’s grading policy, as stated in the course syllabus.

**Written Assignments:**
All written assignments prepared outside of class will be evaluated for content and presentation as graduate-level writing. The American Psychological Association, Seventh Edition (APA) style will be followed for all written work. All written work unless otherwise noted must be completed on a word processor and should be proofread carefully. (Use spell check!) If graduate students are not confident of their own ability to catch errors, they should have another person proofread their work. When in doubt, they should check the APA manual.

**Assignments**

**Attendance and Participation (5 points per session)**
Because active participation and engagement are imperative for optimal learning, preparation for and participation in in-class activities will be evaluated based on the following criteria:

- Teacher candidates attend class, arrive on time, and stay for the entire class period.
- Candidates complete readings and prepare for class activities prior to class as is evidenced by their ability to discuss and write about the concepts presented and examined in the texts as well as participate fully in related activities.
- Candidates are actively involved in in-class learning experiences as is evidenced by (1) participating in all activities, (2) engaging in small and large group discussions, (3) completing written work related to the activities, and (4) supporting the participation and learning of classmates.
- Candidates show evidence of critical reflective thinking through in-class discussions, activities, and written reflections.

**Group Presentation on Current Issues in Early Childhood Special Education (25 points)**
Each teacher candidate will participate in a group reading activity. Groups will be assigned by the instructor. Each group will locate current research and issues related to early childhood special education (over-representation of African-American children in special education, services to preschool children whose home language is other than English, challenging behaviors, RTI, inclusive classrooms, the use of innovative technology, transitions). Each candidate is responsible for locating appropriate research articles and working as a group to develop a 15-20 minute presentation regarding the issue assigned. Pay particular attention to the content applicability, relating it to your development as an early childhood special educator and how it applies/impacts culturally, linguistically, and ability diverse young children and their families. Relevant handouts should be provided and a PowerPoint used for your presentation.
**Professional Code of Ethics: (25 points)**
Graduate students will review the Professional Standards from NAEYC and DEC. They will reflect on readings, class discussions, and their own knowledge about children, families, instruction, and early childhood practices. Students will develop a minimum of 10 professional ethics/standards of professionalism related to serving culturally, linguistically, and ability diverse young children with disabilities and their families and how they will strive to honor and abide by as they work in the field of early childhood special education. Each ethic should have a brief but thorough rationale accompanying it. Graduate students do not need to cite specific research, but it should be clear to the reader that the values are informed by the candidate’s studies and professional experiences. This paper should have an introduction and conclusion in narrative format. The paper should be approximately 3-4 pages in length and double-spaced.

**Pamphlet about a Disability (20 points)**
Graduate students will develop a pamphlet that could be used by families as a resource for understanding the complex nature of a disability that a preschool child might have. They will include 1) the defining features/characteristics of the disability; 2) how it is expressed from birth through age six across the main developmental areas (Social-Emotional, Language and Literacy, Cognitive, Physical, and Sensory Areas); 3) major services usually provided; 4) whether medications are used, which ones, and potential side effects that may affect classroom performance; 5) the typical specialists that serve these children; and 6) three goals which could be included in an IFSP or IEP.

Graduate students should be prepared to discuss their pamphlet in class. They will provide enough copies for the class members. In addition to the handout, they will prepare a brief paper for the instructor in which they will critically evaluate what they learned from the perspective of families from diverse cultural and language groups. On a separate page, list references (legitimate resources must be used, do not use a reference that has not been reviewed). Provide references that have been found especially useful and provide an appropriate annotation for each.

**Field Experience (100 points)**
Graduate students will participate in 10 hours of field experience in observing and assisting, as appropriate, one or more students from birth through age six with a developmental delay, identified disability or in a program for “at risk” children. This observation may be with a group of children or an individual in an inclusive environment. This will be completed within the public schools or early intervention programs. Acceptable sites may include ECSE public school classrooms, Head Start programs or approved day care centers. Following the observations, the teacher candidate will provide a 2-page summary of the total field experience. This paper will provide details about how the course content was integrated into what they experienced, how the experience impacted their understanding of working with young children with developmental delays/exceptional learning needs and how this information will be integrated into their professional development now and in the future.

**Midterm and Final Exam (150 points)**
A midterm and final exam will be given covering the information from the assigned readings, class presentations and discussions. Test items will be in the form of multiple choice, short answer and essay. Each exam will be worth 75 points.
FRANCIS MARION UNIVERSITY: DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED NEW COURSE or MODIFICATION OF AN EXISTING COURSE

Department/School: Education            Date: September 20, 2011
Course No. or Level: EDUC 788          Title: Social/Emotional Development and Guidance for Young Children with Disabilities

Semester hours: 3  Clock hours: 45  Lecture: 41  Laboratory: 4

Prerequisites: None

Enrollment expectation: 20

Indicate any course for which this course is a (an)

modification__________________________________________
(proposed change in course title, course description, course content or method of instruction)

substitute____________________________________________
(The proposed new course replaces a deleted course as a General Education or program requirement.)

alternate____________________________________________
(The proposed new course can be taken as an alternate to an existing course.)

Name of person preparing course description: Dr. Karen Coughenour

Department Chairperson’s/Dean's Signature__________________

Provost's Signature_____________________________________

Date of Implementation: Summer 2012

Date of School/Department approval _______________________

Catalog description:

This course provides current and prospective teachers with an overview of the social and emotional development of young children with mild to moderate disabilities and strategies to promote the acquisition of social/emotional skills necessary for participation in a variety of settings. The course includes an overview of basic classroom management theories; an overview of procedures for monitoring and evaluating the behavior of infants, toddlers and preschool children with exceptional learning needs; a discussion of strategies to prevent and reduce inappropriate behavior; and strategies to promote conflict resolution. Additionally, the course will include information regarding the impact
of teacher attitudes on the behavior of young children with exceptional learning needs, and provide experience in creating learning environments that promote positive interactions, positive cultural experiences, and active participation.

Purpose: 1. For Whom: Teachers (public, private and daycare) working with preschool students with disabilities and community service providers working with preschool children (birth to six years).

2. What should the course do for the student? This course will provide basic knowledge of strategies to promote positive social and emotional development of young children (birth-6), who have mild to moderate disabilities, or are at risk for disabilities.

Teaching method planned: Lecture, demonstration and clinical

Textbook and/or materials planned (including electronic/multimedia):

Course Content: (Please explain the content of the course in enough detail so that the Academic Affairs Committee can make an informed judgment. Include a syllabus for the course.) Included on pages that follow

When completed, forward to the Office of the Provost. 9/15
EDUC 788 Social/Emotional Development and Guidance for Young Children with Disabilities

Professor: Karen Coughenour, Ph. D.
Office: 214 CEMC
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Office hours: TBA
Class Meets: TBA

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Conceptual Framework
The School of Education prepares competent and caring teachers.

The graduate level educator will demonstrate teacher competencies as measured by the following:

IA. Knowledge of content in their area of teaching

IB. Professional knowledge and skills
1. Ability to plan instruction
2. Ability to apply skills and knowledge in a clinical setting
3. Ability to cause learning in P-12 students
4. Ability to assess learning and learners
5. Ability to work with children of poverty
6. Ability to use technology

The graduate level educator will demonstrate attributes of a caring teacher who will:

IIA. Exhibit professional attributes
IIB. Respect the Learning Process in demonstrating instructional/assessment flexibility and accommodations to individual differences that reflect the belief that all students can learn regardless of their backgrounds.
IIC. Uphold Ethical and Professional Standards
IID. Show respect for families, cultures and communities and demonstrate a sense of fairness and respect to all participants within each group.

Expected outcomes:
As a result of class attendance and participation, completion of assigned readings, written assignments and field observation, students should

- Understand the impact of social and physical environments on development and learning EC7S8
- Identify social skills needed for educational and other environments CC5K5
- Demonstrate understanding of classroom management theories and strategies for individuals with exceptional learning needs, including strategies for crisis prevention and intervention. CC5K2, CC5K6
- Use strategies to teach social skills and conflict resolution EC4S6
- Implement and evaluate preventative and reductive strategies to address challenging behaviors EC4S8
- Describe teacher attitudes and behaviors that influence behavior of individuals with exceptional learning needs CC5K4
- Design learning environments that encourage active participation in individual and group activities CC5S4
- Design and manage daily routines CC5S12 and modify the learning environment to manage behaviors CC5S5
- Structure social environments, using peer models and proximity, and responsive adults, to promote interactions among peers, parents, and caregivers EC5S4
- Provide a stimulus-rich indoor and outdoor environment that employs materials, media and adaptive and assistive technology, responsive to individual differences EC5S5
- Use evaluation procedures and recommend referral with ongoing follow-up to community health and social services EC5S7

Required Text:

Methods of Presentation
Each class will be a combination of lecture, demonstration/modeling, simulation, group discussions, analysis of case studies, and problem solving activities. Students will have opportunities to work independently and collaboratively. Participants may elect to attend on campus or through Blackboard Collaborate.

Course Requirements

1. Read required text and assigned readings.

2. Participate in class discussions.

Complete group and individual assignments including:
1. **Exams**  
The midterm exam will address topics from the first 6 sessions. The exam will consist of 25 multiple choice questions and 5 brief essay questions. Each section will be weighted equally. The format of the final exam will be the same; however, this exam will only address topics from sessions 7-12.

2. **Group Case Study Presentation**  
   Following a discussion of challenging behaviors, the instructor will provide brief case studies of young children with challenging behaviors. Group members will select a case study to analyze. Each case study will include a series of questions. Group members will read and discuss the case studies and respond to the questions. They will present their final analysis in class.

3. **Description of a Learning Environment and Reflection**  
   Students will arrange an observation in an inclusive preschool classroom for at least ½ of a typical school day. Following the observation students will write a detailed description of either the indoor or outdoor learning environment. Students should include information on staff to child ratios, and describe the amount of diversity in the setting. Students should also include details about room or area arrangement, a description of materials and media and procedures for using materials, a description of the daily routine, and a description of any assistive technology that is used for students with special needs. Students should write a detailed reflection including their perceptions of the classroom/area climate. A rubric will be provided for this assignment.

4. **Social Skills Strategy Presentation**  
   Following a discussion on strategies for teaching social skills to young children, each student will choose a social skill appropriate for a young child and select a strategy to teach the skill. Students will provide their rationale for choosing the social skill and demonstrate the strategy in class, providing any needed materials for all participants.

5. **Community Resource List**  
   Students will locate community resources in the Pee Dee region that provide support to young children and their families. Students will compile and categorize a list of at least 20 community resources and provide a brief description of the services provided along with contact information.

6. **PBS Plan School Component**  
   Students will view video clips of a young child with challenging behaviors. Each student will choose a behavior that needs to be modified and devise a plan to modify learning environments, to improve the behavior, provide accommodations to modify the behavior, and/or teach needed skills to modify the behavior. Students will also be expected to describe consequences for both appropriate and inappropriate behaviors.

7. **PBS Plan Home Component**  
   Students will view video clips of a young child with challenging behaviors. Each student will choose a behavior that needs to be modified and devise a plan to assist a parent in modifying the inappropriate behavior. The plan may include creating a schedule or routine, teaching strategies to modify the behavior or teaching new behaviors.
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