

EDU 208B: Responsive Teaching for All Learners (1.5 units)
Mount Saint Mary's University

Course Syllabus
Tuesday 5:30 to 8:30PM Synchronous & Asynchronous Sessions
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Education Department Philosophy:

MSMU Education Department courses are meant to be laboratories of learning. Our hope is that the activities and materials included will serve your learning goals as you explore the various course topics. Our intent is that students from all diverse backgrounds and perspectives be well-served, that students' learning needs be addressed both in and out of class, and that the diversity that students bring to each course be viewed as a resource, strength and benefit. Throughout the semester, please feel free to let your course instructor know ways to improve the effectiveness of the course for you personally, or for other students or student groups, if you have any suggestions.

Investment in Inclusivity:

- This class aims to be an anti-discriminatory environment that is inclusive of differences of race, ethnicity and national origins, gender and gender identity, sexuality, class and religion. The success of this expectation relies on the support and understanding of everyone in the class. We seek to establish a community where we engage in critical dialogue and active listening. While all are expected to make their best effort to be respectful, we understand that someone may say something that results in unintentional offense and hurt feelings. We invite everyone to adopt a stance of assumed positive intent that seeks greater knowledge and understanding.
- All people have the right to be addressed and referred to in accordance with their personal identity. You may choose to indicate the name that you prefer to be called and, if you choose, to identify pronouns with which you would like to be addressed.
- It is the policy of MSMU to permit students to observe holidays set aside by their chosen religious faith. If you plan to be absent from class on your religious holiday, please make arrangements with the course instructor in advance.

Student Support Statements:

- MSMU has a Minors on Campus policy statement published in the Student Handbook that allows for faculty discretion. If you are a parent and are concerned that childcare needs could disrupt your ability to attend class, please reach out so we can create a plan in advance for potential emergencies.
- If personal challenges related to health issues might affect the ability to perform in this class, please know that there are resources to assist you with appropriate accommodations.

- Any student who has difficulty affording groceries or accessing sufficient food to eat every day, or who lacks a safe and stable place to live, and believes this may affect their performance in the course, is urged to contact the Dean of Student Life on their respective campus for support. Chalon Campus: Laura Crow, Dean of Student Life 310-954-4133 and lcrow@msmu.edu. Doheny Campus/WEC & Online/Sunset Gower/Graduate: Jessica Cuevas, Dean of Student Life 213-477-2570 and jcuevas@msmu.edu. Also, please feel free to notify your course instructor or program director if you are comfortable doing so.

Course Description:

EDU 208B Candidates apply the principles of learning to assess student abilities and inabilities. Once identified, candidates match interventions that assist the struggling student and enhance their ability to learn and perform effectively. Higher order thinking skills are applied to instructional content and candidates learn to build constructive relationships with all students within the practice of a cooperative learning environment. (Often cross-listed with EDU 108B)

An extension of: EDU 208A Candidates will learn to implement appropriate assessment and instructional methods for students who require a broader learning experience for success. Candidates will become knowledgeable about available strategies and resources designed to assist the struggling student in demonstrating their ability to learn. Candidates will gain knowledge about the federal and state legal requirements for the students with special needs. Candidates will learn to use assessments, design curriculum and respond effectively by demonstrating differentiated teaching methods of intervention relative to the core academic curriculum. The primary theme of the course is that candidates will develop the ability to view learning from the perspective of the learner and know how to respond effectively to specific learning needs.

Course Philosophy:

"They need to know you care: to know where your heart is." Emmanuel Acho 2021

Course Objectives and Student Learning Outcomes:

Course Objectives:

- Candidates will be introduced to pedagogical theories, principles, and practices for best practices in the inclusive classroom.
- Candidates will learn how to effectively use materials, low & basic levels of tech interventions, instructional methods, and strategies in order that students are able to learn and function successfully in the school environment.
- Candidates will acquire knowledge of positive behavioral interventions to apply in the classroom and learn of the IEP process and regulations.
- Candidates will demonstrate the ability to use a variety of assessment strategies and identify the learning strengths and weaknesses of students as applied to the TPEs.
- Candidates will learn how cognitive, pedagogical, and individual factors affect a student's rate of progress and design a specific learning environment with an educational team of professionals.

Required Texts (available at the Doheny Bookstore):

- *Upgrade Your Teaching-Understanding by Design Meets Neuroscience*

Recommended Texts [optional]:

- *Teaching with the Brain in Mind, 2nd Edition, Eric Jensen, (2005) ASCD*

Course Assignments (or Course Requirements):

Points

Attendance	8 points
Participation	8 points
Projects-Assignments-Quizzes-Final	52 points
Reading Responses	16 points
Teaming Skills	<u>16 points</u>
	100

Classroom Policies:

- **Class Attendance & Participation**
- **Rubric:** 1 point will be allotted for the attendance to each session. Half of the attendance point may be subtracted for late arrivals or early exits.
- Candidates are graded on how they actively respond to instruction, questions, & answers for 1 point may be earned for each session. After each session the professor grades candidate participation based on the quality of contribution. Any distraction by the use of tech devices, during any portion of the class session, will conclude with a score of 0 for participation.

Grade	Student Participation Rubric
2	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Comes to class prepared and is actively attentive throughout class• Contributes readily to conversation with thoughtful comments, but does not dominate• Thoughtful contributions that advance discussions• Shows interest in and respect for others' views• Listens attentively and takes notes• Participates actively in small groups

1 or .5 or 0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Comes in late or leaves class early. • Minimal participation or collaboration during discussions or group work. • Relies on personal opinions or memories for discussion, vs. evidence/data • Interrupts instruction with digressive questions or comments • Behaviors are disruptive or distracting to neighbors • Interrupts or does not attend to the contributions of other students • Participates in a disruptive manner or dominates discussions • Participates, but in a rambling, intangible manner. • Ignores the cues given by the instructor or fellow students • Comes to class unprepared <p>*If tech devices are used during class, it may be required that class notes be sent to the instructor at the end of the class session, in order to earn participation points for the session.</p>
0	<p>Attends to tech devices during any part of class session</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -No sounds or use is permitted on phones or computers/pads etc. -In an emergency: go into the hallway to address it and inform Dr. Taylor -Pre-arrange special situations with Dr. Taylor before an issue occurs. <p>0 pts Absent</p>

- **Peer Support:** Please exchange phone numbers and/or email addresses with your classmates/colleagues for mutual help and support. Exchange with team members to read and edit your assignments. If you're absent, check in with a classmate and meet to discuss what you've missed.
- **E-Learning System (Canvas):** See assignments & modules

SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES DUE TO COVID:

- This course has been modified to include more online/remote activities due to COVID and social distancing protocols. In addition, if you are unwell, or have other issues preventing you from attending face-to-face meetings, please be in contact with the instructor to discuss accommodations.
- **Potential COVID-19 Disruption: Should the course modality change during the semester the instructors will provide a comprehensive update of how the class will continue and any changes that may result.**

Assessment - The course aims to model the importance of using multiple measures of assessment to gauge the progress of learners. Please review the assignment guidelines before, during, and after completing your work. These documents are offered to support you in crafting assignments that achieve and demonstrate desired learning outcomes.

Grading Scale

94-100	A	77-79	C+
90-93	A-	74-76	C
87-89	B+	70-73	C-
84-86	B	65-69	D
80-83	B-	< 65	F

Assessment of Student Learning Outcomes:

Student learning is at the core of the MSMU mission. MSMU faculty have developed a plan to assess the student learning outcomes that represent the knowledge, skills, and attitudes expected of MSMU's graduate students. In this class one or more student learning outcomes will be assessed. Some of our class assignments may be used to evaluate overall student learning and to improve teaching and learning in this class, this department, and throughout the University.

Requirements for Class & Team Member Participation

Distinct roles within groups:

1. Each candidate is responsible for initiating and sustaining communication with the group, (and instructor)
2. Up-hole coordinated schedules and the organizing of meetings,
3. Maintain focus on tasks and design proactive interventions to meet deadlines.
4. Check each other's work and support improvements as needed.

Support teammates and encourage them toward a successful performance:

1. assess the nature and difficulty of a task
2. break the task into steps or a sequence of stages
3. plan a strategy
4. manage time
5. delegate responsibilities
6. coordinate efforts

Teaming Skills

Patience & investigative efforts will expand one's skills and abilities

Monitor judgmental positions and keep them out of the equation between you and others,

Communicate respectfully and offer productive direction when at a stalemate,

Candidates also need to know how to handle issues that only arise in groups, for example to:

1. listen to alternative ideas and perspectives
2. challenge others by using respectful means of inquiry
3. explain ideas to others & exercise an open-minded perspective
4. resolve conflicts & reach a consensus
5. integrate & balance the contributions of all team members

Rubric: Team Member Participation

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Proactive communications. Always contributes positively in nature, yet info may challenge content or perceptions of others. Successful outcomes for work.	Prompt communicator. Sometimes contributes positively in nature, yet info may challenge content or perceptions of others	Good communicator. A few contributes were positive in nature, and indirectly avoided challenging the content or perceptions of others.	Inconsistent communications. Attempted to contribute positively, yet info was void of a respectful challenge to the content or perceptions of others	Late or void of communications. Little or no attempt to positively contribute to class discussions and challenge the content or perceptions of others

Able to identify the sources of support Applies this concept to real situations.	Sometimes able to identify the sources of support. Applies this concept to real situations.	Able to show support. Applies this concept to real situations. Uncooperative.	Able to identify the sources of support. Applies part of the concept to real situations.	Little or no ability to identify sources of communication and unable to apply these concepts to real situations.
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MSMU University and Education Department Policies:

- University PPE Policy:** All students must comply with the University personal protective equipment (PPE) policy while on campus. Non-compliant students will not be allowed to stay in class.
- Absences:** Your attendance helps us build a class community. Arriving on time allows everyone to benefit from planned activities and discussions, as the class functions as a lab and instructors strive to model a variety of pedagogical practices. Timeliness also is an indication of professionalism and generates an important and lasting positive impression. Also, please limit absences to no more than one session for a 1 or 2-unit course or two sessions for a 3 or 4-unit course. Students will have an opportunity to do a make-up assignment if there is an additional absence due to an emergency. If more than three absences occur, so much content will have been missed that an administrative withdrawal would be necessary and you would be invited to re-register for the course during a subsequent semester. If any concern arises that will prevent you from arriving to class regularly and/or in a timely way, please come talk with me so we can work together to ensure your successful course completion. For online sessions, submitting the assignments for that session count as your attendance for that session.
- Academic Integrity:** Students are expected to adhere to their MSMU statements on Academic Integrity in the MSMU catalog and Student Handbook. This includes avoiding plagiarism and constructing your best work on each assignment. Papers and other work including images, should not be copied from the Internet. Infractions may be addressed by the MSMU administration and possibly include an AI Board review. For clarification on what constitutes plagiarism, students are encouraged to review the Preventing Plagiarism page on TurnItIn.com (see <https://www.turnitin.com/solutions/plagiarism-prevention>).
- Academic Freedom:** Students' and faculty's freedom of speech is constitutionally protected, so they are free to take reasoned exception to the data or views offered in any course of study and to reserve judgment about matters of opinion—and allow the same freedom for others. See MSMU's Student Handbook for further discussion.
- Calendar Verification:** Please review the schedule in the tentative course calendar carefully. Education Department course calendars may not align with the generally published MSMU holidays and break schedule due to the nature of a teacher preparation program.

- **Spring Break:** The MSMU Spring Break is observed for all education courses that meet on campus and the campus will also be closed. Courses involving other sites, such as for supervised teaching, will take their breaks consistent with the districts in which they take place. The result may be that those doing student teaching may not have any week that does not include Mount course meetings or obligations.
- **Finals Week:** All Education evening courses meet as regularly scheduled during finals week.
- **Candidate Dispositions:** The Education Department has adopted a Dispositions Statement that outlines expectations of all credential and graduate students. (See the Education Department Student Handbook.) An assessment process exists so that candidates will receive formative feedback through a Notice of Concern, if necessary, in order to support candidates to meet expectations.
- **Certificate of Clearance:** In order to demonstrate eligibility to complete all elements of an Education course requiring public school fieldwork, students must submit a copy of a CCTC-issued Certificate of Clearance or valid California teaching credential to the course instructor as instructed and by the date due. According to the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing (CCTC), teacher credential candidates **MUST** have a Certificate of Clearance **PRIOR** to entering a school for fieldwork. This is a non-negotiable state requirement. **(This requirement applies to EDU courses 1/207, 1/208A, 1/250, 1/256, 1/266, 1/267, and 1/268.)**
- **Incompletes:** Incompletes are meant to provide support for students who have experienced an emergency in their lives and need special consideration on a case-by-case basis. An application for an Incomplete may be granted only if the student:
 - files the application no later than 1 week prior to finals
 - has completed the majority of assignments
 - on the basis of the work completed, has a passing grade in the class (C or better). This is not necessarily the same as the default grade. In other words, although the student may have a B grade for the completed work, if they fail the missing assignment or do not complete it, their final grade might be a D
 - is prevented from completing the final assignment
- **Quality of Work:** The MSMU Education Department expects all credential and master's candidates to demonstrate their ability to act as literacy models for K-12 students by submitting high quality, written assignments and projects. Candidates with assignments turned in with serious writing errors, including high numbers of typos, will either be asked to resubmit the assignment or have significant point/percentage reductions.
- **Resource Binder Maintenance**
All preliminary credential candidates are required to organize and maintain a resource binder each semester that will serve as a post-credential resource file. Instructions are provided in EDU 1/208A, made available via Canvas. Course materials provided in each class as handouts or made available on Canvas

should be downloaded and kept in a personal filing system, whether electronic or hardcopy. This material will be reviewed during the last semester in the Supervised Teaching Seminar: EDU 1/210.

- **Student Resources**

- **Learning Resource Center:** The Doheny Learning Resource Center will arrange personal tutoring or assistance for undergraduate students. Call (213) 477-2690.

- **Professional and Academic Resource Center (PARC)**

- The Professional and Academic Resource Center (PARC) offers assistance to graduate students in person, over the phone, or by videoconferencing. To schedule an appointment, access the PARC page on myMSMU:
<https://mountsaintmarysuniversi.sharepoint.com/sites/MYMSMU/academics/PARC>
 - All appointments (in-person, phone, or online) are 45 minutes long. (213) 477-2898, PARC@msmu.edu, located on the second floor of Building 10.

- **Students with Disabilities:** Mount Saint Mary's University, Los Angeles is committed to ensuring the full participation of all students in its programs. If you have a documented disability (chronic, medical, physical, learning, psychological, or temporary), or think you may have a disability and need a reasonable accommodation to participate in class, complete course requirements, or access the University's programs or services; contact Disability Services (DS) as soon as possible. To receive an accommodation, you must register with DS. DS works with students confidentially and does not disclose any disability-related information without student consent. DS coordinates and promotes disability accommodations and awareness and works in partnership with faculty and all other student service offices. For further information about services for students with disabilities, contact DS at the Chalon Academic Support Center, H207, (310) 954-4142, or at the Doheny Student Resource Center, Building 3, (213) 477-2690. You can also email for more information at disability@msmu.edu.
- **Accommodation Policy:** Students with disabilities should consult the MSMU policies regarding commitment to equal educational opportunities for disabled students in the MSMU catalog.

Please be advised that this class may be audio- or video-recorded as an accommodation under the American with Disabilities Act, but only with prior permission from Disability Services and the instructor. Students may only use such recordings for personal use; no posting or further distribution or use is permitted.

- **Technology Policy:** Candidates are expected to adhere to the MSMU technology policy as stated in the MSMU Student Handbook.

MSMU Office Information:

- Please call or email the Education Department Administrative Assistant to make an advisement appointment: educationdepartment@msmu.edu or (213) 477-2620.

Theory & Applications

Bloom's Taxonomy	Common Core Connected to Curricula
Comprehension	Boehm's Stages of Conceptualization
Application	Current academic topics
Analysis	Graphic Organizers
Synthesis	Higher Order Thinking
Creativity-Evaluation	Personal skills
Modalities	Engagement Multiple Intelligences
UDL/IIO Chart	Processing of Input-Integration-Output
Responsive Teaching	Assessment Interventions Recovery
Reconstruct Lessons for the Learner	UbD UDL MTSS - IRIS
Case Study Activity	Case Study Work
Text	Reading Responses
Class Activities & Homework	Handouts-Canvas- Power Point Slides

Assignment Schedule: Turn in assignments on the due date which will always be *one week after the class session*. They will be returned to you before the next meeting session with feedback and corrections. This is why late work will **NOT** be awarded any credit. No excuses will be accepted, so complete assignments early, right after the class session. Waiting 2 weeks to respond to your work will make it harder to recall details and conceptualize the new material.

Points

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Participation	8 points
Projects-Assignments-Quizzes-Final	52 points
Reading Responses	16 points
Teaming Skills	<u>16 points</u>
	100

Projects-Assignments-Quizzes-Final breakdown:

Interview	3
Final	10
Presentation	4
Weekly assignments	35

Course Calendar - 208B: Responsive Teaching for All Learners

**Keep in mind that this is a working syllabus, subject to change, and should not be construed as a contract.*

Date	Topics & Activities	Reading & Assignment(s) Due	Pts
	Bring to Class: A simple & familiar lesson plan. (Edit to 1 page, and post)		
Jan 12 Week 1	Intro to course & teams established Good learning/expert teaching – perceptions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Engaging the learner 		
	Evaluate/increase engagement level of a lesson Self-reflection of one's role in education *Locate a subject to interview	Jan 19 th Midnight. 11:59PM	7
	Read textbook Ch 1: Memory	Jan 26 th 5:30	2
Jan 26 Week 2	Meaningful learning practices (& purposes) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Creating a "learning experience" -Poems Modalities & Multiple Intelligences Case Study Interview a learner 		1
	How do students learn?	Feb 2 nd Midnight. 11:59PM	7
	Read textbook Ch 5: Theory Components	Feb 9 th 5:30	2
Feb 9 Week 3	Expand thinking <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Comprehension- Basic Concepts Concrete ideas build abstract systems 		
	How to expand learning in a lesson.	Feb 16 th Midnight. 11:59PM	7
	Read textbook Ch 2: UbD content & structure	Feb 23 rd 5:30	2
Feb 23 Week 4	Constructing Concepts in a lesson <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4 Stages of Conceptualization - Dimensions Instruction made easy w/basic concepts 		
	How to organize related lessons.	March 9 th Midnight. 11:59PM	7
	Read textbook Ch 6: Enrich Lessons	Mar 16 th 5:30	2
	Read textbook Ch 7: Classroom Climate		2
	Break		
Mar 16 Week 5	Build & Repair a lesson for the learner <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Vocab list vs. concepts Bloom's: Application & Analysis and into HOTs "Treasure Hunt" on a lesson plan Common Core & unit Development 		
	How to identify a delay & repair it.	March 23 rd Midnight. 11:59PM	8
	Read textbook Ch 4: Rate Progress	Mar 30 th 5:30	2
	Assessment - evidence - grading		

Mar 30 Week 6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Interventions:</u> MTSS, UDL • Multiple ways of output – video “Late Work” via Collaboration • Collecting evidence – rate progress • Alternative grading – expanded options • TPA connections 		
	How to measure growth & expand performance.	April 6 th <small>Midnight, 11:59PM</small>	9
	Read textbook Ch 3: Goals-The Drivers of Everything	April 13 th 5:30	2
Apr 13 Week 7	Adv Conceptualization & TPA Application <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Apply complex concepts & breaking them down • Analysis: Graphic organizers • Environmental & Cognitive interventions • Subject Interview -Teach complex content • Input-Integration-Output: Show Me &Reader’s Theatre 		2 2 2 3
	How to keep the language of learning alive.	April 20 th <small>Midnight, 11:59PM</small>	-
	Read Articles - Interventions	April 27 th 5:30	2
Apr 27 Week 8	Analogies Final: Assessment of course content Responsive Teaching: instructional interventions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Engagement, VAK, Concepts, stages, analysis, HOTS, etc. • UdL, UDL, MTSS 	In Class Work	10 4
Total of 100 points			
Attendance & Participation -2 pts. for each class session fully attended- 16 pts		In class experiences	
Reading assignments are 2 points each for a total of 16 Points.		Assignments	
Projects expand and overlap for an in-depth learning experience = 68 points		Projects	
Extra Credit: Options may spontaneously become available.		Demonstrations	

How to stay on course during this class.

1. Fully invest your efforts to listen and participate in class. The session's activities will prepare you for the specificity of the homework assignment.
2. Work closely with team members as you discuss topics together.
3. Complete the homework shortly after the class session and assignments are due within one week. Facts may be forgotten as each day passes, especially when there are 14 days between sessions and 30 days to respond to feedback. This weekly format of review will assist you in retaining concepts and expanding the application of the content.

4. Homework is due one week after the class session. Review the grading results before the next session and bring questions and discussion ideas to class.
5. This is a rigorous 1.5 unit course based upon educational pedagogy and theory, all of which will prepare you for the TPAs and your career. Reflective practice is required for an "A" grade. Proficient and accurate applications will be awarded a "B" or lower.

Candidate Learning Outcome/ Course Objective	4	3	2	1
Abstract/Work Samples/Written Reflection: Demonstrate acquisition of strategies and pedagogies that create classroom environments that address students' diverse needs (Obj. #2) (Student Learning Outcome)	Project demonstrates <i>strong</i> evidence that the unit and lesson planning employed methods that addressed students' diverse needs and interests. Student work samples submitted. (8 pts)	Project demonstrates <i>some</i> evidence that the unit and lesson planning employed methods that addressed students' diverse needs and interests. Student work samples submitted. (6 pts)	Project demonstrates evidence that the unit and lesson planning employed methods did <i>little or nothing</i> to address students' diverse needs and interests. Student work samples not submitted. (4 pts)	Project demonstrates <i>no</i> evidence of lesson planning. Student work samples not submitted. (2 pts)
Name/Reflect/Act: Demonstrate understanding of theories that increase student and teacher motivation and academic success (Obj. #3) (Student Learning Outcome)	Project demonstrates high level of theoretical understanding of critical pedagogy, multicultural education, and/or social justice. Includes detailed use of the name/reflect/act cycle in connection with State standards. (6 pts)	Project demonstrates moderate level of theoretical understanding of critical pedagogy, multicultural education, and/or social justice. Includes use of the name/reflect/act cycle in connection with State standards.(5 pts)	Project demonstrates low level of theoretical understanding of critical pedagogy, multicultural education, and/or social justice. Includes use of some of the elements of the name/reflect/act cycle in connection with State standards.(4 pts)	Project demonstrates no evidence of theoretical understanding of critical pedagogy, multicultural education, and/or social justice. Does not include use of the name/reflect/act cycle in connection with State standards.(2 pts)
Written Reflection: Identifying and challenging	Identifies and challenges personal bias to	Identifies and challenges personal bias to	Identifies and challenges personal bias to	No evidence of identifying or challenging

personal bias. (Obj. #4)	a high degree. (8pts.)	a moderate degree. (6 pts.)	a low degree. (4 pts.)	personal bias. (2 pts.)
Abstract/Written Reflection: Translation of theory into practical strategies to facilitate positive classroom environments (Obj. #5)	Project demonstrates practical application of course theories to a high degree. (8 pts)	Project demonstrates practice application of course theories to a moderate degree. (6 pts)	Project demonstrates practice application of course theories to a low degree. (4 pts)	Project demonstrates no practical application of course theories. (2 pts)
Presentation Quality: Instructional Leadership master's candidates will produce professional presentations in education. (Student Learning Outcome)	Presentation artifact includes all required elements. Demonstrates ability to discuss all elements of project.	Presentation artifact includes most required elements. Discusses most elements of project.	Presentation artifact includes some required elements. Demonstrates ability to discuss some elements of project.	Presentation artifact not submitted. Fails to complete oral Project.

Deductions:

1. _____ Professional work quality (0-5)

Total Points Earned: _____