El Paso Community College Syllabus Part II Official Course Description

SUBJECT AREA	Teacher Preparation
COURSE RUBRIC AND NUMBER	EDUC 1301
COURSE TITLE	Introduction to the Teaching Profession (F)
COURSE CREDIT HOURS	3 3 : 1 Credits Lec Lab

I. Catalog Description

An enriched and integrated pre-service course and content experience that provides active recruitment and institutional support of students interested in a teaching career, especially in high need fields. The course provides students with opportunities to participate in early field observations at all levels of P-12 schools with varied and diverse student populations and provides students with support from college and school faculty, preferably in small cohort groups, for the purpose of introduction to and analysis of the culture of schooling and classrooms. Course content should be aligned as applicable with State Board for Educator Certification Pedagogy and Professional Responsibilities standards; and the course must include a minimum of 16 contact hours of field experience in P-12 classrooms. The student must pass a criminal background check conducted by the School District while enrolled in the course. 30 volunteer hours are required. Prerequisite: Placement at college-level English Language Arts Reading by TSIA2 or equivalent; OR completion with a "C" or better or concurrent enrollment in the following: INRW 0311 or INRW 0312 or ESOL 0340. (3:1).

II. Course Objectives

Upon satisfactory completion of this course, the student will be able to:

- A. Describe Texas State Teacher Certification requirements and develop a personal plan to prepare for certification.
- B. Apply the Texas Educator Code of Ethics in teaching situations.
- C. Identify characteristics of effective teachers and schools.
- D. Describe how student diversity, social problems, historical, ethical, legal, philosophical, and governance issues have impacted the foundations of the educational system in the United States.
- E. Describe the teacher's responsibility in providing a safe, culturally sensitive classroom that respects all student diversity.

III. THECB Learning Outcomes (ACGM)

Upon successful completion of this course, students will:

1. Identify current issues influencing the field of education and teacher professional development.

- 2. Analyze the culture of schooling and classrooms from the perspectives of language, gender, socioeconomic, ethnic, and disability-based academic diversity and equity.
- 3. Provide examples from classroom observations and course activities that demonstrate understanding of educational pedagogy and professional responsibilities of teachers.
- 4. Evaluate personal motivations, educational philosophies, and factors related to educational career decision making.
- 5. Recognize the various multiple intelligences/learning styles in order to be able to implement instructional practices that meet the needs of all students.

IV. Evaluation

Evaluation is based on the following criteria:

- A. Field-Based Activities (Required: A 30-contact-hour, field-based lab component is mandatory and will be evaluated by the faculty member on a 100 200-point scale. Failure by the student to submit a supervisor certified Volunteer Log and Reflection Paper of the 30-contact-hour, field-based lab component will constitute an "F" for the course regardless of points earned in the course.
- B. Tests and/or Learning Activities
- C. Other added Instructor Requirements

Grading Scale 100%

90 - 100 = A 80 - 89 = B70 - 79 = C

60 - 69 = D Below 60 = F

Note: A grade of "C" or better is required to transfer this course to a four-year college or university in Texas.

V. Disability Statement (Americans with Disabilities Act [ADA])

EPCC offers a variety of services to persons with documented sensory, mental, physical, or temporary disabling conditions to promote success in classes. If you have a disability and believe you may need services, you are encouraged to contact the Center for Students with Disabilities to discuss your needs with a counselor. All discussions and documentation are kept confidential. Offices located: VV Rm C-112 (831-2426); TM Rm 1400 (831-5808); RG Rm B-201 (831-4198); NWC Rm M-54 (831-8815); and MDP Rm A-125 (831-7024).

VI. 6 Drop Rule

Students who began attending Texas public institutions of higher education for the first time during the Fall 2007 semester or later are subject to a 6-Drop limit for all undergraduate classes. Developmental, ESL, Dual Credit and Early College High School classes are exempt from this rule. All students should consult with their instructor before dropping a class. Academic assistance is available. Students are encouraged to see Counseling Services if dropping because exemptions may apply. Refer to the EPCC catalog and website for additional information.

VII. Title IX and Sex Discrimination

Title 9 (20 U.S.C. 1681 & 34 C.F.R. Part 106) states the following "No person in the United States shall, on the basis of sex, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any educational program or activity receiving Federal financial assistance." The Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) prohibits stalking, date violence, sexual violence, and domestic violence for all students, employees and visitors (male and female). If you have any concerns related to discrimination, harassment, or assault (of any type) you can contact the Assistant to the Vice President for Student and Enrollment Services at 915-831-2655. Employees can call the Manager of Employee Relations at 915-831-6458. Reports of sexual assault/violence may also be reported to EPCC Police at 915-831-2200.