School of Education

EDST5139
Language, Literacy and Numeracy

Term 3 2020
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For student policies and procedures relating to assessment, attendance and student support, please see website, https://education.arts.unsw.edu.au/students/courses/course-outlines/

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1. LOCATION

Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences
School of Education
EDST5139 Language, Literacy and Numeracy: Assessment and Response (6 units of credit)
Term 3 2020

2. STAFF CONTACT DETAILS

Course Coordinator: Dr Sally Baker
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3. COURSE DETAILS

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<td>Includes 150 hours including class contact hours, readings, class preparation, assessment, follow up activities, etc.</td>
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SUMMARY OF COURSE

The course will engage in substantive exploration of the relationships between language, literacy, and numeracy, assessment and student learning, drawing on theory, research and practice related to assessing and teaching students with diverse language and literacy backgrounds and experiences in a variety of secondary school contexts.

THE MAIN WAYS IN WHICH THE COURSE HAS CHANGED SINCE LAST TIME AS A RESULT OF STUDENT FEEDBACK:

- As a result of student feedback from 2019, we have revised the structure of the course and introduced online activities to complement the class discussions. Covid-19 has also necessitated a shift to remote learning and a reconfiguration of activities to asynchronous and synchronous modes.
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NATIONAL PRIORITY AREA ELABORATIONS

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<td>C. Information and Communication Technologies</td>
<td>1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14</td>
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4. RATIONALE FOR THE INCLUSION OF CONTENT AND TEACHING APPROACH

Throughout their careers, each teacher encounters a wide variety of students who bring with them a broad range of language, literacy and numeracy (LLN) and experiences that impacts their learning. A teacher’s ability to assess their students’ LLN and abilities in relation to the demands of the curriculum and prior learning influences their relationships, interactions, expectations, and success in driving students to achieve significant improvements in learning outcomes. Given this, teachers need a sound understanding of the key concepts and strategies to focus, refine, and reflect on their own practice and those of their colleagues.

5. TEACHING STRATEGIES

The course will use a variety of teaching strategies including explicit instruction and opportunities to engage in questioning, problem solving and reflection because it is important to understand the relationships between theory, research and practice. The course also encourages cooperative learning with extensive opportunities for whole group and small group dialogue and discussion using case studies, role plays, problem solving and research because it is important for students to explore ideas and decide what they mean for effective teaching practices with students with diverse backgrounds in language, literacy and numeracy.
## 6. COURSE CONTENT AND STRUCTURE

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<th>Module</th>
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<td>Introduction: contextualising the key issues</td>
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- Why do literacy and numeracy matter?  
- International trends in L&N performance  
- L&N focus in initial teacher education  
- NSW Literacy and Numeracy Strategy 2017-2020  
- ACARA Literacy and Numeracy progressions  
  
ATSIE A.1, 2, 4, 9  
ICT C.4  
L&N: D.1, 2, 3, 4  
NESB: F.3, 4, 6, 11 | ACARA National Literacy and Numeracy progressions  
NSW Literacy and Numeracy Strategy 2017-2020  
[http://dx.doi.org/10.1007/978-3-319-69197-8](http://dx.doi.org/10.1007/978-3-319-69197-8)  
| 2      | Diversity of learners and their needs |  
- Linguistic profiles; EAL/D learners  
- Incomplete literacy development  
- Interrupted schooling  
- EAL pedagogies  
- Multilingual and multimodal education  
  
L&N: D.1, 2, 5, 6, 9, 10, 13, 14, 18  
[http://www.acara.edu.au](http://www.acara.edu.au)  
[http://www.wisd.us/campus/whs/social_studies/edd/Fall09/8344/Articles/CumminsBICSCALPspringer2007.pdf](http://www.wisd.us/campus/whs/social_studies/edd/Fall09/8344/Articles/CumminsBICSCALPspringer2007.pdf)  
| 3      | Theoretical models of numeracy and literacy |  
- Numeracy: A model of numeracy for the 21st century  
- Literacy: A functional model of language  
  
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| 4    | Principles and strategies for teaching literacy | * Principles for effective teaching  
* Designing good tasks  
* Scaffold students with different readiness for learning  
L&N: D.1, 2, 5, 6, 9, 10, 13, 14, 18 |
| 5    | Principles and strategies for teaching numeracy | * Principles for effective teaching  
* Designing good tasks  
* Scaffold students with different readiness for learning  
L&N: D.1, 2, 5, 6, 9, 10, 13, 14, 18 |
| 6    | Focus on Reading | * Principles for engaging with academic literacy  
* Integrating language activities with content teaching  
* Activities for engaging with academic literacy  
* Supporting academic reading  
L&N: 1, 5, 7, 9, 10, 13, 15, 17, 19  
ICT: C.5  
SpEd: E.7  
NESB: F.5, 7 |
| 7    | Focus on Writing | * Focus on genre  
* Scaffolding genres in the classroom  
* The teaching and learning cycle  
* The genre framework for assessing writing  
L&N: 1, 5, 7, 9, 10, 13, 15, 17, 19  
ICT: C.5  
SpEd: E.7  
NESB: F.5, 7 |

http://www.petaa.edu.au/imis_prod/w/Teaching_Resources/Project_40/w/Teaching_Resources/P40/Derewianka_and_Humphrey_essay.aspx  


| 8 | **Focus on Oracy & Vocabulary**  
- The relationship between oracy and literacy  
- Scaffolding oral language to teach subject content  
- The importance of quality teacher interaction/strategic questioning  
- Assessing oracy  
- Providing oral feedback/feed-forward  
- Effective classroom strategies  
- Everyday vs. subject-specific vocabulary  
- Vocabulary and student achievement  
- Assessing vocabulary  
- Why teaching vocabulary is the responsibility of all teachers  
- Implications for lesson planning and teaching  
L&N: D.1, 2, 4, 5, 7-11, 13, 14, 15, 18  
|---|---|
| 9 | **Focus on Numeracy**  
- Numeracy & literacy  
- Numeracy as mathematical activities in social contexts  
- Numeracy as cultural practice  
- Numeracy across the curriculum  
| 10 | **Assessing and supporting language, literacy and numeracy development**  
- Assessment strategies | Chapter 13 in Henderson (2015)  
Harris et al. 2013;  
Humphrey & Robinson 2012  
Lucas et al. 2008  
7. RESOURCES

Prescribed Resources

A collection of readings selected for this course will be placed on Moodle. It is expected that students will prepare for each lecture and tutorial by completing the readings posted for each week of the course.

Recommended Resources


8. ASSESSMENT

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<td>2400 words</td>
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<td>Hurdle task: reflection on IEC observation</td>
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**Submission of assessments**

Students are required to follow their lecturer’s instructions when submitting their work for assessment. All assessment will be submitted online via Moodle by 5pm. Students are also required to keep all drafts, original data and other evidence of the authenticity of the work for at least one year after examination. If an assessment is mislaid the student is responsible for providing a further copy. Please see the Student Policies and Procedures for information regarding submission, extensions, special consideration, late penalties and hurdle requirements etc. [https://education.arts.unsw.edu.au/students/courses/course-outlines/](https://education.arts.unsw.edu.au/students/courses/course-outlines/)
Assessment Details

Assignment 1: Analytical Report 1800 words

Additional details:
Analytical report: Analyse and reflect upon the literacy and numeracy demands of your specific discipline (1800 words)
• Reflect on your own literacy and numeracy learning experiences. In what ways have they shaped your understanding of the role that literacy and numeracy plays in students’ understanding of content knowledge?
• Drawing on the prescribed readings, explain your understanding of the importance of literacy and numeracy to understanding the key concepts of your discipline.
• Identify and describe the specific literacy and numeracy requirements embedded within your syllabus or curriculum.
• Reflect on the key findings of the research literature to explain how you will use your knowledge of theory to inform the way you both teach and assess the literacy and numeracy requirements of your discipline.

Assignment 2: Text Analysis & Lesson Plan 2400 words

Additional details:
Planning for LL&N in content lessons

Option 1:
• Part 1: Select a text that you would commonly use in your discipline. Analyse the key language, literacy and numeracy challenges that both non- and EAL/D students may experience when reading or viewing the text (600 – 800 words).
• Part 2: Develop a lesson plan based on this text that has a literacy and numeracy focus. Provide a rationale highlighting the cultural and linguistic demands of the text for EAL learners, and the literacy, numeracy and assessment strategies that you would use to inform your teaching (lesson plan and rationale 1600 - 1800 words, excl text).

Option 2:
• Part 1: Select a lesson plan that you have designed and previously taught. Analyse the key language, literacy and numeracy components of the lesson and comment on how these could have been challenging for both non- and EAL/D students (600 – 800 words).
• Part 2: Develop a lesson plan based on a related topic/ unit of work to the lesson plan in Part 1. Provide a rationale highlighting the cultural and linguistic demands of the lesson for EAL/D learners, and the literacy, numeracy, language assessment strategies that you would use to inform your teaching (lesson plan and rationale 1600 - 1800 words).

Please note that all students are required to present your report according to accepted academic conventions. A list of all references cited in the report should be included at the end in alphabetical order.

Hurdle task: Reflection on IEC observation (Beverly Hills IEC on YouTube: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCCGdGDocZC4iTkRfcm6fONQ/videos?disable_polymer=1)

Watch at least two videos from the Beverly Hills IEC channel on YouTube. While watching, consider the following and write your report according to these questions:
• What are the conceptual, language, literacy and learning demands being made of the students?
• How do the learners respond to such demands?
• How are they supported in their learning?
• How could they be better supported in their learning?
# Specific Criteria

## Understanding of the Question or Issue and the Key Concepts Involved
- Identifies and describes key language, literacy and numeracy concepts.

## Depth of Analysis and/or Critique in Response to the Task
- Addresses the syllabus/curriculum requirements accurately in relation to literacy and numeracy.
- Relates literature to practice, drawing on theories from subject readings.

## Familiarity with and Relevance of Professional and/or Research Literature Used to Support Response
- A range of relevant professional/research literature is drawn on to support the arguments.
- Professional/research sources are current and trusted.

## Structure and Organisation of Response
- The response is well-structured and organised to show application as well as description of the strategies.
- Response to the task is clear and coherent.

## Presentation of Response According to Appropriate Academic and Linguistic Conventions
- Clarity, consistency and appropriateness of conventions for quoting, paraphrasing, attributing sources of information and listing references.
- Clarity and consistency in presenting tables and diagrams.
- Clarity and appropriateness of sentence structure, vocabulary use, spelling, punctuation and word length.

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### General Comments/Recommendations for Next Time

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**Lecturer:**

**Date:**

**Recommended:** /20 (FL PS CR DN HD) **Weighting:** 40%

**Date:**

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**UNSW SCHOOL OF EDUCATION**  
**FEEDBACK SHEET**  
**EDST5139 LANGUAGE, LITERACY AND NUMERACY**

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<td>Justification is given, with reference to key literature and course/ curriculum materials, as to how the proposed lesson plan and teaching strategies within meet the needs of EAL/D students</td>
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