



READ 3323

Literacy in the Classroom The University of Texas at Tyler School of Education

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Course Description: Catalog description: *READ 3323 Children's Literature*
"Study of features, history, selection, and use of Children's Literature. Designed for teachers in preparation in the Pre-K through elementary levels." <https://catalogs.uttyler.edu/2020-2021/Catalog/Courses/READ-Reading-Education/3000/READ-3323>

Knowledge Base(s) and Rationale: Children's Literature is a required course for everyone in teacher preparation programs, i.e., students preparing to teach EC-6. You're encouraged to take Read 3323 early in your program because its content provides very practical, useful support to everything you do in all your other teacher preparation coursework and clinical experiences. Most importantly, what you learn about children's literature and the books you read and hear about will help you throughout your teaching career, regardless of your job's content area or grade level. In addition, you'll also be able to use what you learn in READ 3323 in your personal life, as you share books with your own families or as you participate in community volunteer work.

This undergraduate level course builds upon the knowledge base and experiences gained in prior undergraduate coursework and toward which you will build in field experiences that address language and literacy issues. The course addresses Children's Literature and its effective educational use, selection, and history.

Course content incorporates the following standards for the preparation of reading professionals:

- *International Literacy Association (ILA, 2010);*
- *Texas State Board for Educator Certification Standards (TSBECS, 2016)*

- *Texas Educator Standards* (TES Title 19: Chapter 149, Subchapter AA, Rule: 149.1001),
- *Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills* (TEKS)
- *English Language Proficiency Standards* (ELPS 74.4),
- *Texas Prekindergarten Guidelines* (TPG 2015),
- *International Society for Technology in Education Standards for Educators* (ISTE)

Student Learning Outcomes (SLO)

Upon successful completion of the requirements of this course, students will have an opportunity to:

1. Define children’s literature and its qualities; acquire knowledge of the different genres and forms of children’s literature, including the history and development of each type.
2. Appreciate and understand representative samplings of different genres/forms; review contemporary societal issues in children’s literature; and, analyze contexts of children’s literature.
3. Develop awareness of differentiation of book selection for diverse student populations including make recommendations to specific students or to classes of students regarding quality children’s literature for use in lesson planning in order to stimulate interest, increase motivation, tap prior knowledge, and activate engagement of students.
4. Apply knowledge gained to make judgements about children’s books for literary and academic (e.g. disciplinary) value including reading level and grade level.

Standards Matrix:

Student Learning Outcome	Activities	Assessment	Standards Alignment
1. Define children’s literature and its qualities; acquire knowledge of the different genres and forms of children’s literature, including the history and development of each type	Genre Study Library Sessions Read Alouds Background Knowledge	Quizzes Creative Reading Responses Library Work Sessions One Pagers Discussions	*TES 3Ai; 3Aiii *InTASC 2e; 2g; 3n; 3o; 3p; 4j; 5c; 5i; 5j; 5k *TEKS b1A, b1F. b1G *PreK Guidelines IIIA1 *ISTE 1a; 1c *ELPS c1A; c1F *TxCCRS A2; A3; A6; A8; B1
2. Appreciate and understand representative samplings of different genres/forms; review	Genre Study Library Sessions Read Alouds	Creative Reading Responses Library Work Sessions	*TES 3Biii *InTASC 1a; 3b; 4b; 5d; 9e; 9f *TEKS b4A; b4B; b5A-D; b7

contemporary societal issues in children’s literature; and analyze contexts of children’s literature		One Pagers Discussions	*PreK Guidelines IID2; IID3 *ISTE 4a; 4b *ELPS c2A; c2D *TxCCRS D1; D2
3. Develop awareness of differentiation of book selection for diverse student populations including make recommendations to specific students or to classes of students regarding quality children’s literature for use in lesson planning in order to stimulate interest, increase motivation, tap prior knowledge, and activate engagement of students.	Genre Study Library Sessions Small Group Read Alouds Collective Poem	Bookshelf/Database Project Poetry Project Discussions Library Work Sessions	*TES 1Ci; 2Aii; 2Bii. 2Biii; 3Ci; 3Cii; 4Ai; 4Aii; 4Aiii; 6Ai; 6Bi *InTASC 1b; 1c; 1f; 1i; 2b; 2d; 4b; 8e *TEKS b5A-D; b8A-B; b9; *PreK Guidelines IIIE3 *ISTE 3a; 3b; 5a *ELPS c2E; c2F *TxCCRS C1; C2; C3; C4
Apply knowledge gained to make judgements about children’s books for literary and academic (e.g. disciplinary) value including reading level and grade level.	Genre Study Library Sessions Literature Circles Bookshelf Share	Bookshelf/Database Project Literature Circle Role Sheets Read Aloud Project Library Work Sessions One Pagers	*TES 1Aiii; 4Bii; 4Di; 5Ai; 5Aii; 6Ai; 6Bi *InTASC 1c; 4f; 4g; 5q; 5r 7e; 7f; 7g; 9e; 9f *TEKS b6A-D; b10A-D; b11A-B *PreK Guidelines IID4 *ISTE 4a; 4d; 7a; 7b; 7c *ELPS c4F; c4G *TxCCRS A1; A5; A7; B3; C4

COURSE EVALUATION AND REQUIREMENT DESCRIPTION

Performance Assessments

Grading is based on the total number of points accumulated by each student at the end of the semester for all evaluations including exams and assignments. The assignments and projects outlined below are designed to contribute in a different, and yet complementary way in achieving the stated course objectives.

1. FlipGrid Collegiality (Meet & Greet) 4 points

Meet & Greet (Week 1) 4 points (all posts are due at the end of **Week 1**, by 11:59pm)

Post: Record a video of yourself on the Meet and Greet page using FlipGrid. You'll have a few minutes to tell us a little about yourself (e.g., who you are, where you are from, goals, teaching, a book or movie you've enjoyed and a "fun" fact).

Note: Try getting this up by Friday.

Comment: By the end of Week 1, by 11:59pm, get around to five people (go for a mixture of people, especially those you don't know well) and respond in a brief and friendly way to their posts.

Grading

Post=1.50

Comment=0.5 x 5 comments=2.5 points

Total possible points 4.0

2. FIVE ONE-PAGERS (10 points – 5 @ 2 pts each)

Reflective writing at the conclusion of your reading of a particular work. Under your name and date, please include **complete APA citation** for book [e.g. Hesse, K. (1997). *Out of the Dust*. New York: Scholastic.] Also, in your discussion, please **include book page numbers** to anchor your quotes and comments securely to the evidence in the text. Specifically discuss each book as:

- **Reader:** What was particularly engaging? What was problematic? What kinds of images did you see/hear/touch/taste/smell? What kinds of connections did you make to this text a) personal, b) to other texts (including films, etc.), c) to the world? What did this bring up for you? Did you have an emotional response? What was the emotion? Why?
- **Recommender:** To whom would you recommend this book? Why or Why not?

The Five Book One-Pagers will include:

- 1) *Reading Magic*
- 2) *Ramona* book of your choice
- 3) *Out of the Dust*
- 4) *Seedfolks*
- 5) Jason Reynolds (*Long Way Down*)

3. CHILDREN'S LITERATURE BLOGS/Discussions (6 points-4 @ 2 pts each)/Read Alouds 5 points

This is a blog that you will use in this class in order to:

- learn how to use blogging as an online instructional method
- respond to the individual blog prompts
- comment to your peers regarding the children's books that they are reading

Kidblog Tutorials

- Kidblog Tour
- Kidblog Creating a Post

In your children's literature blog response each week you will:

- tell which book that you chose to read for the week
- discuss what was particularly engaging (use quotes from the book)
- discuss any connections that you had to the book
- discuss any emotions that you felt while reading the book
- discuss if you would recommend this book for your future students to read (why/why not)
- discuss your thoughts, opinions, and/or attitudes towards the particular genre
- make sure to comment to your peers' blog posts.

4. ONLINE DISCUSSIONS (4 points – 2 pts each)

You will engage deeply with class texts. Active engagement entails completing assigned readings on time, asking critical questions, and exploring implications and applications of knowledge gained for your own professional work. In general, it is imperative that any discussion (face-to-face and/or Canvas) maintain a polite and collegial tone. Moreover, it is important that each person express him/herself fully and with supporting detail. Generally, each Canvas discussion post should be between 100 and 250 words of well-developed and coherent connection to and thinking about a given topic. In your replies to other students, you should strive to maintain a positive and appreciative tone. As professional educators, being able to disagree and maintain a positive relationship is a valuable skill well worth continuous development.

5. PICTURE BOOK READ ALOUD Video PROJECT - (10 points)

Select an award winning picture book. Videotape yourself reading it aloud to a child. Try to get the child actively engaged in the read aloud. Due to COVID 19 Social Distancing requirements should be followed. The options for the read aloud include:

- Sit directly next to the child (only appropriate for family members)
- Sit at least six feet away from the child. Make sure they can see the pictures as you turn the pages.
- Do the read aloud over Zoom and record.
- Do the read aloud through a glass window or door.

After the read aloud, write a reflection on how you did. Answer the following questions:

- **Project Information:**
 - Describe the child. Name, Age, Gender, Relationship to You? (**If the child is not related to you, you must receive written permission to videotape this child. Permission slips will be available in Canvas.**)
 - Describe the book. APA Book Citation
- **Contextual Information:**
 - Describe where the read aloud took place?
 - Describe when the read aloud took place? Date/Time?
 - Describe if there were any external distractions during the read aloud.
 - Describe how you and the child were positioned during the read aloud.
 - Describe how long the read aloud took.
- **Project Reflection:**

- Why did you choose this book to read aloud?
- Describe the read aloud. What did you do? What did the child do?
- How did you try to get the child actively engaged in the read aloud (i.e. used character voices, used props, asked questions, make predictions, make connections)?
- How did the child respond to the read aloud?
- Were you surprised by the child's response? Why/Why not?
- On a scale of 1-3 (1 = negative experience, 2 = neutral experience, 3 = positive experience) rate your performance during the read aloud. Why did you give yourself this rating?
- If you could do the read aloud again would you do anything differently? Why/Why not?
- **Project Presentation:**
 - Upload the video and reflection in Canvas.

6. FLIPGRID POETRY CAFÉ (10 points)

Poetry is meant to be read aloud and enjoyed. Select an award-winning children's poet from a list provided in Canvas. Research this poet and find at least one book of their poetry. You will recite poems from that poet to read on FlipGrid. **Create a one-page handout that showcases the life and work of the poet. Submit the handout in Canvas in advance of the FLIPGRID POETRY CAFÉ.**

During the FLIPGRID POETRY CAFÉ be prepared to masterfully read aloud at least two poems from the poet you wrote about.(10 MINUTES MAX). Bonus points will be awarded to anyone that memorizes their poem. The POETRY CAFÉ is an opportunity to be exposed to many different poets and see how you can make poetry meaningful and exciting for your future students. You will not be college students on this day. You will be transformed into poets. (Make sure to respond to all the different poetry readings with some positive feedback).

7. LIBRARY WORK (10 points)

We will work closely with the Children's Literature Librarian, and will undertake a number of hands-on/minds-on activities associated with helping you become familiar with genres, texts, authors, illustrators, grade levels, and more. You are expected to participate fully. Preparation for each library session includes reading/previewing the library lecture notes and taking the subsequent library session quizzes.

8. CLASSROOM BOOKSHELF FLIPGRID VIDEO (5 points)

You will tell your classmates about the 5 books you truly liked in a video. Tell us the name, author, illustrator, grade level, summarize the book and why it's your favorite. You will respond to at least 5 of your classmates' videos.

9. CLASSROOM BOOKSHELF/DATABASE PROJECT (25 points)

You need to familiarize yourself with the children's section of the library and make friends with your librarian! You will choose 25 children's books from various genres/forms to create a simulated/virtual future classroom bookshelf – the beginnings of your own classroom library over which you will create an annotated bibliography. These books will coincide with the

different genres/forms that we will study throughout the semester. Entries for each book should include: book picture and book title, the author/illustrator, copyright date (2010-2020), genre/form, reading level, TEKS standards for classroom use, and book summary (in your own words). This is an opportunity for you to start thinking about your classroom library collection of children’s literature and explore their potential use as a future teacher. Submit your complete annotated bibliography in Canvas.

Projects & Grading Criteria

Class Projects	Points
FLIPGRID Meet & Greet	(5 points)
Quizzes	(10 points 1 pt. each)
5 One-Pagers	(10 points 2 pts each)
Read-aloud Project	(10 points)
Poetry Café Project FLIPGRID	(10 points)
Participation in Discussions	(10 points)
Library work	(10 points)
Classroom Bookshelf Project /picks	(25 points)
Children’s Literature Blog	(8 points)
Childhood Friends	(2 points)

Note: Course grade is calculated on total percentage of overall grade.

Performance standards			
Points	Percent	Grade	Standard
90-100	90%	A	Superior
80-89	80%	B	Above Average
70-79	70%	C	Average
60-69	60%	D	Below Average
00-59	59% or below = “F”	F	Mediocre

Last day to Withdraw from Course: Monday, March 29, 2021 .

Required Texts, Materials, & Supplies:

1. Tunnell, M. O.; Jacobs, J.S.; Young, T. A.; and Bryan, G. (2016). *Children’s Literature, Briefly, 6th Edition*. Boston: Pearson.
 ISBN-10: 0133846555
 ISBN-13: 978-0133846553

2. Fox, M. (2008). *Reading Magic: Why Reading Aloud to Our Children Will Change Their Lives Forever, 2nd Edition*. New York: Houghton Mifflin.
 ISBN-10: 0156035103
 ISBN-13: 978-0156035101

REQUIRED TRADEBOOKS: (in alphabetical order)

1. Self-selected picture books representing various genres/forms.

2. CHOOSE ONE –Fantasy

- a. DiCamillo, K. (2003). *The Tale of Despereaux* being the story a mouse, a princess, some soup, and a spool of thread. Scholastic Inc.
- b. Babbit, N. (1975). *Tuck Everlasting*. Scholastic Inc.
- c. White, E. B. (2001). *Charlotte’s Web*. Harper Collins.

3. CHOOSE ONE-Realistic Fiction

- a. Cleary, B., (Reprint 2009). *Beezus & Ramona*. Harper Collins.
- b. Cleary, B., (Reprint 2009). *Ramona & He Father*. Harper Collins.
- c. Cleary, B., (Reprint 2009). *Ramona the Brave*. Harper Collins.
- d. Cleary, B., (Reprint 2009). *Ramona the Pest*. Harper Collins.

4. CHOOSE ONE-POETRY

- a. Hesse, K. (1997). *Out of the Dust*. Scholastic Inc.
- b. Reynolds, J. (2017). *Long Way Down*. Simon & Schuster Children’s Publishing.
- c. Lewis, J.P. (2005). *Heroes and She-Roes: Poems of Amazing and Everyday Heroes*. Penguin.

5. CHOOSE ONE

Lobel, A. (1980). *Fables*. Harper & Row.

- a. Wiles, D. (2010). *Countdown*, Scholastic Inc.
- b. Fleischman, P. (1997). *Seedfolks*. Harper Collins.
- c. Stone, N. (2017). *Dear Martin*. Random House.

Note: A student of this institution is not under any obligation to purchase a textbook from a university-affiliated bookstore. The same textbook may also be available from an independent retailer, including an online retailer.

READ 3323-060: CLASS CONTENT AND READING ASSIGNMENTS / DUE DATES
Tentative Schedule Spring 2021

Topical Outline & Schedule: The following tentative course calendar is subject to change. Adjustments to class sessions will be made as determined by progress made in accomplishing the objectives of each class session.

DATES	Module & Date	Activities, Assignments & Due Dates
Week 1 1/11/2021	Module 1	Lecture(s) <ul style="list-style-type: none">1. Instructions for Week 12. Lecture: Course Overview (What is children’s literature?)3. Content Lecture: Read Alouds4. Content Lecture: Chapters 1 & 25. PowerPoint Chapters 1 & 2

		<p>READ Textbook: Tunnell et al., Chapters 1 & 2 E-Learning Activities: FlipGrid Meet & Greet. All posts & Comments Due Sunday, January 17th by 11:59pm. Preferred POST by Friday, January 15th, so peers can respond. COMMENTS by Sunday, January 17th (11:59pm): quick “hi” to five peers.</p>
<p>Week 2 1/18/2021</p>	<p>Module 2</p>	<p>Lecture(s) 1. Content: Read Aloud 2. Explain Weekly Read Alouds in Kidblog 3. Lecture: Chapters 3 & 4 PowerPoint Quiz: Tunnell, Chapters 1 & 2 READ: Tunnell et al., Ch. 3 READ: Tunnell et al., Ch. 4 READ: Tunnell et al., Appendix D ONLINE Discussion: Two (2) entries “Childhood Friends” KIDBLOG! CHILD LIT BLOG: Welcome to Kidblog! Comment Post</p>
<p>Week 3 1/25/2021</p>	<p>Module 3</p>	<p>Lecture(s): 1. Content: Read Aloud 2. Lecture: Fox, Reading Magic 3. Picture Book Read Aloud Project Information PowerPoint KIDBLOG! CHILD LIT BLOG: Comment Post Discussion: The Teacher’s Role in Developing Engaged Readers Quiz: Tunnell, Chapters 3 & 4 READ: Fox, <i>Reading Magic</i> LIBRARY WORK: Topical video lecture (Genre/Form) +Online Quiz</p>
<p>Week 4 2/01/2021</p>	<p>Module 4</p>	<p>Lecture(s) 1. Content: Read Aloud 2. Lecture: Chapters 5 & 6 PowerPoint: Chapters 5 & 6 READ: Tunnell et al., Ch. 5 READ: Tunnell et al., Ch. 6</p>

		<p>READ: Tunnell et al., Appendix D</p> <p>ONLINE One-Pager: Fox, <i>Reading Magic</i></p> <p>1. READ: Ramona book of choice</p> <p>CHOOSE ONE-Realistic Fiction</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Clary, B., (Reprint 2009). <i>Beezus & Ramona</i>. Harper Collins. Clary, B., (Reprint 2009). <i>Ramona & He Father</i>. Harper Collins. Clary, B., (Reprint 2009). <i>Ramona the Brave</i>. Harper Collins. Clary, B., (Reprint 2009). <i>Ramona the Pest</i>. Harper Collins. <p>One Pager: Ramona Book of Choice</p> <p>On-line Discussion</p> <p>LIBRARY WORK: Topical video lecture (illustrations) +Online Quiz</p>
<p>Week 5 2/08/2021</p>	<p>Module 5</p>	<p>Lecture(s)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Content: Read Aloud Lecture : Tunnell et al., Chapter 17 <p>PowerPoint Chapter 17</p> <p>READ: Tunnell et al., Ch. 17</p> <p>PRESENTATION: Picture Book Read Aloud Project</p> <p>ONLINE – Read Aloud Video + Reflection</p> <p>ONLINE Quiz: Tunnell, Ch. 5 & 6</p> <p>Information on Literature Circle Role Sheets : Start thinking about what book (chapter book) you will use. Due Date: The Week of March 15th.</p>
<p>Week 6 2/15/2021</p>	<p>Module 6</p>	<p>Lecture(s):</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Content: Read Aloud Lecture : Tunnell et al., Chapters 9 & 10 <p>PowerPoint: Chapters 9 & 10</p> <p>READ: Tunnell et al., Ch. 9</p> <p>READ: Tunnell et al., Ch. 10</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Fantasy: Choose One DiCamillo, K. (2003). <i>The Tale of Despereaux</i> being the story a mouse, a princess, some soup, and a spool of thread. Scholastic Inc. Babbit, N. (1975). <i>Tuck Everlasting</i>. Scholastic Inc. White, E. B. (2001). <i>Charlotte’s Web</i>. Harper Collins. <p>One Pager from the book of your choosing</p> <p>CHILD LIT BLOG: Fantasy</p> <p>LIBRARY WORK: Topical video lecture (Content Levels) +Online Quiz</p>
<p>Week 7 2/22/2021</p>	<p>Module 7</p>	<p>Lecture(s)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Content : Read Aloud

		<p>2. Lecture : Chapter 11 3. Bookshelf Information PowerPoint : Chapter 11 READ : Tunnell et al., Ch. 11 READ: Lobel, <i>Fables</i> ONLINE Quiz : Tunnell, Chapters 9 & 10 ONLINE Discussion : Lobel, Fables</p>
<p>Week 8 3/01/2021</p>	<p>Module 8</p>	<p>Lecture(s) 1. Read Aloud 2. Lecture : Tunnell et al., Chapter 8 3. Content: FLIPGRID Poetry Cafe instructions PowerPoint: Chapter 8 READ: Tunnell et al., Ch. 8 1. CHOOSE ONE-POETRY a. Hesse, K. (1997). <i>Out of the Dust</i>. Scholastic Inc. b. Lewis, J.P. (2005). <i>Heroes and She-Roes: Poems of Amazing and Everyday Heroes</i>. Penguin. One Pager on the book of your choice</p> <p>CHILD LIT BLOG: Documentary Novel/Historical Fiction Discussion: Your thoughts on Documentary Novel/Historical Fiction. How will you incorporate this genre in your classroom?</p> <p>ONLINE Quiz: Tunnell, Ch. 11</p> <p>LIBRARY WORK: Topical video lecture (Poetry)+Online Quiz</p>
SPRING BREAK (MARCH 8-13, 2021)		
<p>Week 9 3/15/2021</p>	<p>Module 9</p>	<p>Lecture(s) 1. Read Aloud 2. Tunnell et al., Chapter 7 PowerPoint: Chapter 7</p> <p>READ: Tunnell et al., Ch. 7</p> <p>READ: Reynolds, J. (2017). <i>Long Way Down</i>. Simon & Schuster Children’s Publishing.</p> <p>Information on Literature Circle Role Sheets : Due this week</p> <p>ONLINE Quiz: Tunnell, Ch. 8 FLIPGRID Poetry Cafe</p>

<p>Week 10 3/22/2021</p>	<p>Module 10</p>	<p>Lecture(s) 1. Read Aloud 2. Lecture Tunnell et al., Chapter 11 3. Content : Literature Circle Role Sheets PowerPoint: Chapter 11 READ: Tunnell et al., Ch. 11 CHILD LIT BLOG: Literature Circle Role Sheets Discuss how the Literature Circle Role sheets can be used in the classroom. ONLINE One-Pager: Long Way Down Online Discussion ONLINE Quiz: Tunnell, Ch. 7</p>
<p>LAST DAY TO WITHDRAW (MARCH 29, 2021)</p>		
<p>Week 11 3/29/2021</p>	<p>Module 11</p>	<p>Lecture(s) 1. Read Aloud 2. Lecture : Tunnell et al., Chapter 12 3. Content : Classroom Bookshelf Project PowerPoint READ: Tunnell et al., Ch. 12 READ: Fleischman, Seedfolks One Pager Online Discussion ONLINE Quiz: Tunnell, Ch. 11</p>
<p>Week 12 4/5/2021</p>	<p>Module 12</p>	<p>Lecture(s) 1. Read Aloud 2. Lecture: Chapters 13 & 14 PowerPoint 3. FLIPGRID Classroom Bookshelf Project Information READ: Tunnell et al., Ch. 13 READ: Tunnell et al., Ch. 14 Work on the Classroom Bookshelf Project ONLINE Quiz: Tunnell, Ch. 12</p>
<p>Week 13 4/12/2021</p>	<p>Module 13</p>	<p>Lecture(s) 1. Read Aloud 2. Lecture : Tunnell et al., Chapter 15 3. Multicultural Books PowerPoint READ: Tunnell et al., Ch.15 ONLINE Quiz: Tunnell, Ch. 13 & 14 Work on the Classroom Bookshelf Project LIBRARY WORK: Topical video lecture (Multicult + Ban) +Online Quiz</p>

Week 14 4/19/2021	Module 14	Lecture(s) 1. Read Aloud 2. Banned Books 3. Lecture Tunnell, et al., Chapter 16 PowerPoint READ: Tunnell, et al., Ch. 16 PRESENTATION: Classroom Bookshelf Project (FLIPGRID) ONLINE – Classroom Bookshelf Project with Annotated Bibliography (Final)
Week 15 LAST WEEK	Module 15	ONLINE Quiz: Tunnell, Ch. 15 ONLINE Discussion: “Censorship” ONLINE – Course Evaluation

Course Attendance Policy:

Absences and tardiness may result in a permanent grade change. Students are expected to arrive promptly for every class and to call or email the instructor in the case of an emergency. Come to class prepared to contribute to discussions, ask appropriate questions, and participate in class activities. Roll is taken at each class session. Please see the instructor if you come in tardy to ensure that I indicate your attendance in my records. If it is necessary for you to miss a class, you should arrange for a classmate to take notes and pick up handouts for you. You are responsible for the content of classes that are missed.

Late Assignment:

Late assignments without prior, written permission from the instructor or without the presence of documentable (by you) of extenuating circumstances will result in lowering of the assignment grade. In order to earn an “A” for the semester, students must demonstrate outstanding performance on class work, exemplary credit on all assignments, and professionalism throughout the semester. To earn an “A” you must go above and beyond average academic performance

Technology Policy:

Out of respect for your fellow students, your professor, and the educational process, all technology devices (i.e. cell/smart phones, lap tops, iPads, etc.) must be powered down and put away unless otherwise indicated by the professor. Cell phones may be left on vibrate for emergency notification purposes only. Students will be allowed to use the electronic devices during designated technology breaks. Texting or other cell phone use during class time may result in a reduction of your participation points.

UNIVERSITY POLICIES

UT Tyler Honor Code

Every member of the UT Tyler community joins together to embrace: Honor and integrity that will not allow me to lie, cheat, or steal, nor to accept the actions of those who do.

For a full list of university policies including information related to the topics listed below, click [here](#).

- Students Rights and Responsibilities
- Campus Carry
- Tobacco-Free University
- Grade Replacement/Forgiveness and Census Date Policies
- State-Mandated Course Drop Policy
- Disability Services
- Student Absence due to Religious Observance
- Student Absence for University-Sponsored Events and Activities
- Social Security and FERPA Statement
- Emergency Exits and Evacuation
- Student Standards of Academic Conduct

UT Tyler Resources for Students:

- UT Tyler Writing Center (903.565.5995), writingcenter@uttyler.edu, <http://www.uttyler.edu/writingcenter/>
- UT Tyler Tutoring Center (903.565.5964), tutoring@uttyler.edu, <https://www.uttyler.edu/tutoring/>
- The Mathematics Learning Center, RBN 4021, This is the open access computer lab for math students, with tutors on duty to assist students who are enrolled in early-career courses.
- UT Tyler Counseling Center (903.566.7254) <https://www.uttyler.edu/counseling/>

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COLLEGE OF EDUCATION AND PSYCHOLOGY (CEP) VISION AND MISSION

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Mission: The mission of the College of Education and Psychology is to provide a positive environment that fosters the acquisition of knowledge and skills. The mission is individually and collectively realized through a community of scholars that contributes to knowledge through scholarly inquiry; organizes knowledge for application, understanding and communication; and provides leadership and service. We affirm and promote global perspectives that value individual and cultural diversity to enhance learning, service, and scholarship.

UT TYLER'S SCHOOL OF EDUCATION STANDARDS FOR EDUCATOR PREPARATION PROGRAMS

[Texas Education Standards](#): The School of Education are committed to teaching and implementing the Texas Educator Standards at the highest level. The School of Education faculty use the Texas Education Standards, along with the Interstate New Teacher Assessment and Support Consortium (In TASC) standards used by educator preparation programs throughout the United States.

The list of [Texas Education Standards](#) can be accessed [here](#).

Access the [Code of Ethics and Standard Practices for Texas Educators](#).