

EDUC 4015 Teaching General Studies to Young Learners (2,2,0)

This course introduces students to the curriculum and content of General Studies (GS) in Hong Kong primary education. Students will also learn about instructional and assessment strategies, and develop teaching plans and learning materials for GS. The role of GS in the primary curriculum, and its connection with Liberal Studies (LS) at the secondary stage, will also be discussed.

EDUC 4016/ 4120 Teaching Mathematics to Young Learners (2,2,0)

This course provides an overview of the primary mathematics curriculum in Hong Kong. It examines the general principles of curriculum design and focuses on the pedagogical knowledge and generic skills required for the teaching and learning of mathematics at Key Stages 1 and 2.

EDUC 4017/ 4650 Coping with Changes in Primary Education (2,2,0)

Prerequisite: Enrolment for this elective is subject to approval by the Department

This course develops students' knowledge of coping with contemporary changes in primary education, specifically issues related to individual learners and classroom and school practices that impact upon these learners. The course covers topics such as learner diversity and differences, learning difficulties and related problems, small class teaching and whole school approach.

EDUC 4025/ 4660 Developing Literacy Skills in Young ESL Learners (2,2,0)

Prerequisite: Enrolment for this elective is subject to approval by the Department

This course extends students' knowledge of language learning and teaching to focus on literacy acquisition and development and the implications for teaching literacy in English as a second language in the primary sector. The course also focuses on alphabetic knowledge, word recognition, phonemic and phonological awareness, print awareness, assessment of literacy and literacy difficulties.

EDUC 4026/ 3090 Integration, Reflection and Innovation in English Language Teaching (Primary) (2,2,0)

Prerequisite: EDUC 1026/1030 Introduction to English Language Teaching (ELT)

This course extends and consolidates students' knowledge of second language education through involving students in reviewing and evaluating current theories and practices in ELT. The course covers topics such as integration of theories and practices in ELT, reflective language teaching, language classroom enquiry, and recent developments and innovation in ELT.

EDUC 4027/ 3100 Integration, Reflection and Innovation in English Language Teaching (Secondary) (2,2,0)

Prerequisite: EDUC 1026/1030 Introduction to English Language Teaching (ELT)

This course extends and consolidates students' knowledge of second language education through involving students in reviewing and evaluating current theories and practices in ELT. The course covers topics such as integration of theories and practices in ELT, reflective language teaching, language classroom enquiry, and recent developments and innovation in ELT.

EDUC 4035/ 3120 Language Arts and Enrichment Activities (Primary) (2,2,0)

This course aims at enabling students to understand the value and role of language arts and enrichment activities in ELT, as well as to develop a repertoire of effective practices, with an emphasis on the experiential dimension of language use, both inside and outside the primary classroom.

EDUC 4036/ 3130 Language Arts and Enrichment Activities (Secondary) (2,2,0)

This course aims at enabling students to understand the value and role of language arts and enrichment activities in ELT, as well as to develop a repertoire of effective practices, with an emphasis on the experiential dimension of language use, both inside and outside the secondary classroom.

EDUC 4898-9 Honours Project (3,0,3) (E/P/C)

Prerequisite: EDUC 2007/2080 Educational Research

This course provides an opportunity for students to integrate and synthesize their learning by conducting an individual independent project on a significant issue related to education. The project can be an empirical study, a literature review and discussion on specific concepts or theories, a classroom-based investigation, an action research project, or other relevant areas proposed by students, subject to approval by project supervisors.

By the end of the final academic year, students are required to submit a final written report of about 7,000 to 10,000 words in English.

EDUC 7020 Psychological Foundations of Teaching and Learning (2,2,0) (E)

This course provides an orientation to the current psychological models that describe and explain human learning and instruction. Students are expected to extrapolate relevant information generated in psychological and educational research on learning motivation and teaching practice, describe a developmentally eclectic framework in human learning, and identify strategies that offer possible solutions to selected classroom problems.

EDUC 7030 Teacher Self Development (2,2,0) (C)

This course aims at promoting among students interest in and readiness for taking charge of their personal development. It draws attention to the significance of mental and physical health to teaching life and highlights a number of focuses for teachers' personal development.

EDUC 7040 Social Foundations of Education (2,2,0) (E)

This course aims at providing a sociological framework for understanding the relationship between society and education. It examines social, cultural, political and economic influences on education.

EDUC 7050 Philosophical Foundations of Education (2,2,0) (C)

This course is an introduction to both Chinese and Western philosophical issues related to education. It aims to enhance students' ability to reflect philosophically on teaching and learning, to think critically about various schools of educational thoughts, and to identify curricula and methods of instruction in relation to particular philosophical positions.

EDUC 7070 Student Self Development (2,2,0)

This course studies the dynamics and processes of self development in adolescents. A major emphasis is on self evaluation and peer evaluation as effective means of achieving self-understanding.

EDUC 7100 Education System and Policy in Hong Kong (2,2,0) (C)

This course covers the dominant features of the system and policy of education in Hong Kong in the postwar period. Major changes and development of the education system and policy would also be discussed.

EDUC 7110 Psychology of Adolescence (2,2,0) (E)

This course aims at increasing students' understanding of the major psychological aspects of adolescent development. It focuses on physical, cognitive, personality and social development throughout adolescence.