

EDUC 3690/ Inclusive Education and Special Educational Needs (2,2,0) (tbc)

Prerequisite: EDUC 1050/1005 Introduction to Educational Psychology

This course introduces students to the study of integration and inclusion of students with special needs in the regular classroom. It is designed to provide an understanding of the reasons for inclusion of students with disabilities in regular schools, and the strategies that can be used to optimize their educational experiences. It also aims to enhance student-teachers' understanding of the individual requirements of students with diverse needs. Emphasis is placed on effective research based classroom strategies that have been used by teachers, schools, and communities that have been most effective in the implementation of their inclusion policies.

EDUC 4010/ Teaching General Studies to Young Learners (2,2,0) (C)

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 4017 Coping with Changes in Primary Education (2,2,0) (tbc)

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 Developing Literacy Skills in Young ESL Learners (2,2,0) (tbc)

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 Integration, Reflection and Innovation in English Language Teaching (Primary) (2,2,0) (tbc)

Prerequisite: EDUC 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 Integration, Reflection and Innovation in English Language Teaching (Secondary) (2,2,0) (tbc)

Prerequisite: EDUC 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 Language Arts and Enrichment Activities (Primary) (2,2,0) (tbc)

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 Language Arts and Enrichment Activities (Secondary) (2,2,0) (tbc)

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 4060/ Teaching English to Adults 4006 (2,2,0) (tbc)

This elective extends students' knowledge of language learning and teaching to focus on teaching English to adult learners who require either general English or the English language for specific purposes, such as academic study and discipline-specific needs.

EDUC 4080/ Teaching English to Young Learners 4007 (2,2,0) (tbc)

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

This elective course extends student-teachers' knowledge of language learning and teaching to focus on the specific characteristics of young language learners and the implications for the teaching of English as a second language in the primary sector. The course also builds on student-teachers' knowledge of language teaching methodology.

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

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 4150/ Creative and Critical Thinking 4005 (2,2,0) (C)

This course aims to enhance the thinking skills and inclinations of students by familiarizing them with the nature of thinking, processes of thinking and the methods used for developing thinking capacities. It provides them with opportunities for reflecting on their own thinking as well as exploring different approaches to the teaching of thinking skills. A specific focus on skills in verbal reasoning and argumentation will be emphasized in this course.

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

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 4660 Developing Literacy Skills in Young ESL Learners (2,2,0) (tbc)

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.