EDU 489 A—Senior Practicum (Grades 4-8, P-12) (2 Credit Hours)

Days/Time:  
H 4:00-5:40

Place of Meeting: Cook 304

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Course Description

EDU 489. Senior Practicum (Grades 4-8). Completion of preplanning and district orientation at assigned school. Observing, participating, and microteaching under the guidance of the cooperating teacher in the school full time during two weeks in August and part time during the semester. PR: Approval for student teaching. CR: EDU 405. (2 credits)

Textbooks


Materials and supplemental resources are posted on Livetext.com. You must use the Visitor’s Pass code to access the resources. The code will be given at the first Senior Practicum Lab.

Purpose of Course
The field-based year in student teaching is the capstone experience in the teacher education program at Berry College. It provides an opportunity for the candidate to observe the beginning of the school year and to be immersed in part- and full-time practice at an area school while reflecting on the pedagogical and content knowledge
gained in the teacher education program. Senior Practicum allows candidates to gradually assume the role of developer of human potential: developing the head by promoting reflection and decision making; developing the hands by facilitating learning; and developing the heart by enhancing self- and social-awareness for themselves and their supervisor, and attending an on-campus seminar. The purposes of the seminar are to provide support through the process of induction to teaching; to help the candidate become more reflective; and to provide structure and support for the development of the teaching portfolio.

Complete evaluation data are available in the Student Teacher Handbook. Upon completion of the student teaching experience, students will be able to:

Student Learning Outcomes:

A. Promote reflection and decision making (Head)
   1. Possess sound knowledge of subject matter content so that students are presented with accurate information and diverse viewpoints. (INTASC 4, 8)
   2. Collect and analyze data for assessing students’ needs. (INTASC 6)
   3. Reflect on their own behavior as a teacher. (INTASC 9)
   4. Use the historical and philosophical knowledge of the organization and governance of American education to guide decision making. (INTASC 4, 10)

B. Facilitate learning (Hands)
   1. Develop long-range plans for instruction (units). (INTASC 5, 7)
   2. Organize and manage the classroom to optimize learning. (INTASC 3)
   3. Design learning activities appropriate for students’ developmental levels. (INTASC 1, 2)
   4. Select and use developmentally appropriate curriculum materials including print, on-print, and technology-based materials. (INTASC 5)
   5. Organize and manage learning groups. (INTASC 1, 2)
   6. Provide feedback to students on their comprehension of content being taught. (INTASC 1, 2)
   7. Demonstrate a wide repertoire of strategies and teaching styles appropriate for diverse student needs. (INTASC 2, 7)
   8. Develop a plan for the management of student behavior. (INTASC 3)

C. Enhance self- and social-awareness (Heart)
   1. Help students articulate and reflect on their feelings, thoughts, and ideas. (INTASC 2)
   2. Affirm and support students in their learning efforts. (INTASC 3)
   3. Communicate respect and acceptance of students. (INTASC 2, 10)
   4. Demonstrate an awareness of and respect for the diversity of the school population and the global community. (INTASC 2, 10)
   5. Develop students’ social awareness. (INTASC 2, 10)
D. Explore issues of induction to teaching
   1. Clarify their perspective on teaching. (INTASC 9)
   2. Evaluate implications of teaching in a multi-cultural society. (INTASC 2)
   3. Connect their practical experience with the theoretical ideas explored at the college. (INTASC 9)
   4. Explore legal issues of concern to first-year teachers. (INTASC 9)
   5. Plan continued professional development as a teacher. (INTASC 9)

INTASC—Interstate New Teacher Assessment and Support Consortium

Assessment Measures

Candidates will experience the beginning days of the school year, under the direction of the cooperating teacher. They will observe and participate in teaching and facilitate learning for the students in their classroom. Under the guidance of the cooperating teacher and college supervisor, they will engage in critical thinking and decision-making about the role of the teacher.

The candidate will demonstrate satisfactory progress in the following areas: classroom teaching, video analysis of candidate’s teaching, journal entries, and lesson plans that include samples of student work. The cooperating teacher, college supervisor, and senior practicum student will complete the Senior Practicum Evaluation which will address, the candidate’s performance in the above areas, among other areas, as documented in the 10 program principles.

Clinical Practice

The Senior Practicum for 489 is comprised of 154 contact hours in the assigned classroom, under the supervision of the cooperating teacher and the college supervisor. A minimum of 25 of these hours are teaching hours.

Use of Technology

Candidates will use the technology available in their classrooms and schools. Candidates are expected to routinely utilize standard technology in their classrooms to maximize the learning of students in grades 4-8.

Methods of Instruction

The roles and expectations of those involved in student teaching are fully delineated in the Student Teacher Handbook.
Senior Practicum involves one-on-one coaching, facilitating, and mentoring from both the cooperating teacher and the college supervisor through the transition process from student to teacher. The cooperating teacher works closely with the candidate, especially in the preplanning days and first days of the school year, as well as throughout both semesters of the field-based senior year. The cooperating teacher will have certain expectations for the requirements in his/her classroom.

The college supervisor will work with the candidate throughout both semesters of the field-based senior year through class observations and conferences and in groups during small-group seminar sessions. Suggested assignments are indicated on the field-based senior year checklist and in the Student Teacher Handbook. The college supervisor assigned to you has the prerogative to alter, delete or add to the candidate’s final requirements based on individual student needs and/or supervisor observations.

Clarify those expectations from both your college supervisor and your cooperating teacher early in the fall semester, and continue the communication as you prepare for the spring semester.

The on-campus seminar focuses on issues of concern to student teachers. **Attendance at all seminars and the fall Charter Fellows Program is required.**

A weekly journal entry is required. The format to be used is included in your Student Teacher Handbook. The college supervisor will specify how and when the journal should be turned in. Your college supervisor will read and respond to your journal entries.

**Attendance Policy**

Regular attendance and punctuality is an absolute necessity. The candidate is expected to attend school full-time during the first two weeks of the school year, and to follow the agreed upon schedule for the 14 weeks of the fall semester. If absence is unavoidable, the candidate should inform the cooperating teacher and college supervisor as soon as possible. Absence for reasons other than sickness or emergencies is strongly discouraged and should be approved by the cooperating teacher and college supervisor.

**Academic Integrity**

Academic integrity is the foundation of college life and experience at Berry. All members of the Berry College community are responsible for working together to establish and uphold an environment conductive to honorable academic endeavor.

In no case will academic dishonesty be tolerated. **Academic dishonesty** includes, but is not limited to, the following: cheating, unauthorized collaboration, plagiarism, fabrication, multiple submissions, and aiding and abetting. A complete definition of academic dishonesty may be found in the Viking Code.
Candidates sanctioned for violating academic integrity policy may not withdraw from the class with a “W”. Students may appeal faculty decisions to a subcommittee of Academic Council through the provost.

**Special Requirements**

Your college supervisor will review lessons plans, one fall video recording of your teaching, and your weekly journal entries. See the *Student Teacher Handbook* Student for details about these assignments.

Assessment of the senior practicum will include field observation, one fall video recording of the candidate teaching, weekly journals entries, lesson plans, draft of edTPA Task 1 and proposed teaching segment for Task 2.

**Evaluation Components and Grading Scale**

Assignments should be completed and submitted according to specified due dates. Final evaluation forms should be submitted to your college supervisor no later than the last day of classes, before finals. Candidates in the fall semester of the field-based year will receive one of the following grade options:

- (S) satisfactory
- (U) unsatisfactory

Final grades will be determined by the college supervisor with the cooperating teacher and the Director of Field Experiences and Clinical Practice.

**Accommodation Statement**

Candidates with disabilities who believe they may need accommodations in this class are encouraged to contact the Academic Support Center in Memorial Library (first floor) (Ext 4080) as soon as possible to ensure that such accommodations are implemented in a timely fashion.

**Schedule of Class Sessions**

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| Oct. 2      | Charter Fellows Program, 10:00-12:00, Alumni Center| Attendance Required |
| Oct. 8      | Send draft of Context for Learning before 5 pm.    |             |
| Oct. 10-13  | Fall Break, no classes                            |             |
| Oct. 16     | Application and recommendations (from cooperating teachers and college supervisor) for spring semester Student Teaching due to Office of Field Experiences and Clinical Practice, Cook 221 by 4:00 p.m. |
| Oct. 15     | edTPA Task 1                                       | READ: Task 1 |
| 4th Lab     | Academic Language, Resources, Expanded             |             |
|             | Bloom's Taxonomy                                   | Task 1      |
|             | Written Commentaries                               | Evidence Chart |
| Cook 304    |                                                   |             |
| Oct. 29     | EdTPA Task 1 - Formative Assessments               | READ: Task 1 |
| 5th Lab     | Relationship of task 1 to task 3 - assessment      | Task 3- What Do I Need to Think |
|             | Rubrics 1-5 (Rubric 11 Task 3)                     |             |
|             | Understanding Rubric Level Progressions (URLP)     |             |
| Cook 304    |                                                   |             |
| Nov. 5 6th Lab | Technical Lab - Videotaping Mechanics and Compression Requirements |
| Nov. 12 7th Lab | edTPA Task 2 Overview |
| Nov. 19 8th Lab | edTPA Task 3 Overview Assessment, Use of Feedback |
| Nov. 30 | Email typed Proposed Learning Segment to designated Seminar Instructor by 5 pm. |

### ECE Majors ONLY

| Nov. 6th Lab 4:00-5:40 Sandbox | READ: Task 2 & Task 2 Evidence Chart |
| ECE * Task 4 & Task 4 Evidence Chart |
| edTPA Task 4 Overview – ECE only |
| edTPA Task 4 Revisited – ECE only |
| Proposed Learning Segment |
| Videotape due to College Supervisor |

### About? What Do I Need to Do? 

**Technical Lab - Videotaping Mechanics and Compression Requirements**

**Identify specific video requirements for content area Rubrics 6-10 Proposed Learning Segment**

**edTPA Task 3 Overview Assessment, Use of Feedback Rubrics 11-**

**Email typed Proposed Learning Segment to designated Seminar Instructor by 5 pm.**

**Videotape due to College Supervisor**
Dec. 3 9th Lab 4:00-5:40 Cook 304  
Preparation for edTPA in Student Teaching
- Spring 2016 schedule
- Permission forms
- Location of resources, instructional materials
- Clarification of acceptable candidate support during edTPA

Please note that attendance at the Labs and Charter Fellows is required as part of EDU 488/588 and EDU 489/589. If you are unable to attend a meeting, you are still responsible for any/all information provided.

Instructor’s Bibliography


Kappa Delta Pi (2007). *So to teach; Inspiring stories that touch the heart*. Indianapolis, IN: Kappa Delta Pi.


On-line Resources:

[http://pblchecklist.4teachers.org/index.shtml](http://pblchecklist.4teachers.org/index.shtml)

[http://www.intel.com/about/corporateresponsibility/education/k12/projects.htm](http://www.intel.com/about/corporateresponsibility/education/k12/projects.htm)

[http://www.udel.edu/pbl/others.html](http://www.udel.edu/pbl/others.html)

The PBL Academy
[http://iuedmoodle.educ.indiana.edu/pbl/](http://iuedmoodle.educ.indiana.edu/pbl/)
[http://iuedmoodle.educ.indiana.edu/pbl/links.html](http://iuedmoodle.educ.indiana.edu/pbl/links.html)