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Online Course Information Form

Course Number: EDUC2003

Course Title: Introduction to Education & Field Experience

Course Description: This is a survey course to help students evaluate the teaching profession as a career choice. Heavy emphasis is placed on the research base underlying teaching practices. A grade of C or higher is required of the student in this course for admission to the Professional Education Program.

Instructor: Lisa Oden

Instructor Bio: Lisa Oden has been an educator for 20 years and serves as the Teacher Education Coordinator of SAU Tech.

- BSE in Elementary Ed/Social Studies – Southern Arkansas University
- MSE in Elementary Ed/Reading/Principal Certification – Southern Arkansas University/Henderson State University
- EdD in Higher Education/Faculty Development (currently working on Dissertation) – University of Arkansas at Little Rock

How can you reach me?

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Corequisite: ED2001 must be taken in conjunction with enrollment in ED2003

Textbook Title: Parkay, Forrest W., & Stanford, Beverly Hardcastle. (7th Ed.) *Becoming a Teacher*. Boston: Allyn & Bacon.

Learning Outcomes:

1. Demonstrate ability to make an intelligent decision about pursuing teaching as a career.
2. Attain foundation knowledge in history and philosophy of education, the job market, the nature of schools and today's students, social, ethical and legal issues, school governance and finance, the curriculum, the first year teaching and principles of good teaching.
3. Identify the education philosophy most appropriate for oneself at this stage of professional development.
4. Conduct a computer search on selected (from a list of choices) school legal issues.

Teaching Methodology, including description of interaction between student and instructor:

I really like to form an on-line “community of learners” form of communication between the students and me and between the students themselves. I strive to create and facilitate a “user-friendly” course that translates to your classroom performance as an educator.

Methods of Testing: There are class assignments, journal entries, an electronic portfolio, a written report with a videotaped presentation, quizzes and exams.

Enrollment Procedures: Non-degree seeking students applying for admission to SAU Tech must submit an application for admission, a registration demographic information sheet, and ACT, SAT, or ASSET Test Scores or, if applicable, official college transcript(s) with proof of Composition I and Intermediate Algebra (having earned a letter grade of “C” or better). Full-time degree seeking students and part-time degree seeking students applying for financial aid applying for admission to SAU Tech must submit an application for admission, a registration demographic information sheet, ACT, SAT, COMPASS or ASSET Test Scores, immunization record (if born after 01/01/1957), high school transcript or GED scores, and official college transcript(s), if applicable. (Note: Part-time students not applying for financial aid do not have to submit immunization record.) You may contact the Admissions Office at (870) 574-4558.

Special Enrollment Issues (specialized software or equipment, access to a particular network, or similar requirements): Students will need Internet access, MS Word, Adobe Acrobat Reader, and the ability to receive and send e-mail attachments.

Special Attendance Requirements (student contact with instructor, proctored examinations, etc.):

You should log onto your class at least every other day and you should email your instructor once a week telling how you are progressing in the class.

If you have technical difficulties (computer crashes, etc.) or personal problems that cause you to fall behind in your work, you should let the instructor know **immediately**. Contacting the instructor does not relieve you of the responsibility of doing your work, but it does allow the instructor to work with you to overcome the problems you are encountering.

The final exam must be taken at an approved proctor site. Visit the college web site at http://www.sautech.edu/docs/proc_sites.pdf for more detailed information.

Access to Learning Resources: Students will receive all required discussion materials through the Internet, links to texts, and the electronic mail within Blackboard. Students will be required to purchase the course textbook, if applicable, and Learning Resource Center access is encouraged but not required to be successful. The Bookstore number is 870.574.4510. The Library phone number is 870.574.4518.

Other Considerations (writing ability, assignments/projects, time considerations, etc.):

Prior computer skills are essential for success in an online class. Prior to enrolling in an online class, you should be able to:

- Surf the Internet and download web pages
- E-mail and attach files and know proper e-mail etiquette
- Use word processing (MS Word) skills and submit papers with correct format, grammar and spelling