TEL 111: Exploration in Education

Overview

This course explores the purpose of education in today's world and the learners in the education systems. The course is designed to (a) provide an overview of the systems of education; (b) examine the role of institutions and agents, historical and current practices, and innovations in multicultural education; and (c) create awareness of, and respect for, the learners in today's education system. This course is also designed to assist students in developing their working philosophy of education.

What You'll Learn

- Explore dimensions of your personal identity as you relate to the field of education
- Understand the history and systems of education and examine the purposes, functions, roles, and organization of education in the United States
- Examine current trends in the various systems of education
- Analyze the implications that culture has on students, teachers, and schools
- Explore critical issues facing students, teachers, schools, and society
- Distinguish between ineffective and effective strategies for developing and leading a positive learning environment
- Analyze ways to promote and prepare themselves and students to develop a growth mindset while being culturally proficient

How to Succeed

To be successful in this course, we recommend English language fluency and computer literacy. We also encourage you to make sure your laptop or desktop computer meets the technical requirements.

Earn College Credit

This course appears on your transcript identically to how it appears on the transcript of an enrolled ASU student.

This course satisfies 3 credit hours toward the Social-Behavioral Sciences (SB) General Studies requirement at Arizona State University. It is strongly encouraged that you consult with your institution of choice to determine how these credits will be applied.

In order to receive academic credit for this course, you must earn a grade of "C" or better. You have one year to add the course to your transcript.

Exams and Grading

TBD

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Time Commitment

This is an asynchronous, online course. This means, while you will have deadlines, you do not need to be at your computer at specific times or participate in live activities.

To be successful in this class, you must view all course pages and complete all graded work by the deadlines indicated. Also, keep in mind that "attendance" in an online course means logging into the platform on a regular basis, checking for course announcements, and visiting and participating in the discussion forums.

This 3 credit, 8 week course requires about 135 hours of work. Therefore, expect to spend approximately 15-20 hours per week preparing for and engaging in this course.

Materials

This course makes use of open educational resources (OERs) provided within the course, **no purchase necessary**.

Graded Assignments

Graded assignments are required and count towards your final grade. Students must submit all assignments via the course site unless otherwise instructed.

Assignment Deadlines

Your instructional team will provide all content and learning activities on or through your course site. It is your responsibility to review all content, fulfill all assignments on time, and ask any questions you have in the designated discussion area. It is also your responsibility to determine the due dates and times for all course assignments according to your time zone. Due to the large-scale format of Universal Learner Courses, late assignments will not be accepted at any point during the course, and we cannot make exceptions.

Course Communication

All communication will take place via the discussion forums and course announcement page. There will be a discussion forum where you can post general questions, comments, and direct inquiries for the instructor and course team. Please use these forums to ensure a timely response. Your instructor will not be able to respond to email.

Additional Information

If you have questions about Universal Learner Courses and how they work, please visit ea.asu.edu or contact our support team at ulcourses@asu.edu.