

Professional, Applied and Continuing Education

COURSE OUTLINE

COURSE NUMBER: DEA 15141 1901

COURSE NAME: Learning Disabilities II

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DATES AND TIME: May 15 – June 12, 2019

5 Wed, 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

LOCATION: Pembina Trails – 181 Henlow Bay

Meeting Room A & B

EXAMINATION DATES: Final Exam (Instructor Supervised)

June 12, 2019

6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Authorized equipment for all exams will be pens, pencils, and eraser. Unauthorized equipment or material will include all electronic devices, including cell phones and written course material. Your instructors may authorize additional material or equipment for this course.

Photo ID will be required for all PACE exams.

TECHNOLOGY REQUIREMENTS: Laptop required

REQUIRED READINGS: Instructor will provide materials in class

NEXUS:

Course materials, resources and assignments will be posted on Nexus, the online course management system, supporting the delivery of this course. Please use your WebAdvisor username and password to log in to Nexus system to retrieve these materials and to access important class communication. Not all part-time courses are posted on Nexus; if not, materials, if applicable, are available in class.

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

This course continues from and expands on Learning Disabilities I. The focus in these sessions will be on identification and recommendations for remediation of general and specific learning disabilities. Topics will include symptoms of specific learning disabilities, classroom management strategies (environmental, behavioural, and academic), practical intervention techniques, and teaching strategies.

LEARNING OUTCOMES:

Upon completion of this course you will possess the knowledge to:

- define what a learning disability is
- specific classroom management strategies useful for students with learning disabilities
- behavioral intervention techniques to build self-esteem and increase success in writing, reading, and spelling strategies for students with learning disabilities
- awareness of inclusive education

The values/judgements you will possess and be able to exercise:

- sensitivity to students with learning disabilities
- effectiveness of strategies being used with a student with learning disabilities

Outcomes:

- identify and discuss specific learning disabilities
- discuss and share practical classroom management techniques in terms of environmental, behavioural, and academic goals
- discuss and demonstrate effective strategies to help build self-esteem
- select ways to help students with perception difficulties or motor challenges
- summarize techniques used to help students with learning disabilities in various academic areas

DISCLAIMER:

Please consider this course outline as a general guide. Time constraints and other unforeseen factors may require some adaptation of the course materials.

LECTURE SCHEDULE:

SCHEDULE DATES	LECTURE TOPICS	REQUIRED READINGS		
May 15/19	Review of definitions Facts about learning disabilities Common signs of learning disabilities How an EA can support Articles will be distributed	Brief written reflection, in class Articles/readings will be provided		
May 22/19	Group work, discussion on debate topics Inclusive Education Wideo Brief written reflection class			
May 29/19	Strategies to accommodate students Examples of tools, case studies	Brief written reflection, in class		
June 5/19	Team debate(s) Review	Brief written reflection, in class		
June 12/19	Final exam/test, in class 6-9PM	Article response paper due prior to writing exam Brief written reflection, in class		

Remember to complete your <u>course evaluation</u> immediately after this course is complete. We take your feedback very seriously and use it to continually improve our courses and programs.

- Full time course evaluations are available on NEXUS
- Part time and online course evaluations will be emailed to you

VOLUNTARY WITHDRAWAL:

Students can voluntarily withdraw from a course up to the 75% point in a course without any academic penalty. Note that this does not include the hours for the invigilated exams. It is the student's responsibility to withdraw this course to ensure no academic penalty is incurred. Please consult the Registration Office or Academic Advisor for a **Request for Voluntary Withdrawal** form.

METHOD OF EVALUATION:

VALUE	ITEM OF WORK	DUE DATE	
5%	Class participation group work, discussions	On-going	
5%	Written reflection, one at the end of each class	On-going	
20%	Article response paper, hard copy must be submitted prior to the beginning of the last class	June 12/19	
35%	Oral presentation, debate(s), group work	June 5/19	
35%	Final exam / test (6-9PM)	June 15/19	

All applicable assignments <u>must be typed</u>, as well as formatted and referenced according to APA 6th <u>Edition specifications</u>. See the policy on the UWINNIPEG Academic Writing Standards.

MINIMUM GRADE:

Students must receive a minimum grade of "C", or better, in all courses within the program requirements to graduate.

PARTICIPATION:

Participation is an important component of a meaningful learning process. Contributions to class activities, group work, and class discussion will enhance your academic success and contribute to a more positive and productive learning environment. Participation is a reflection of actively engaging in class room work and attentiveness to the contributions of others and the instructor. Participation is also a reflection of being present in the classroom in a timely fashion and not distracting others.

PARTICIPATION GRADE RUBRIC:

GRADE	CHARACTERISTICS / DESCRIPTION	
1	Displays most or many of the following: Does not participate in class discussion. Does not ask questions. Does not listen when others speak or interrupts discussion. Is distracted during class (i.e. uses social media, cell phone, computer, sidebar conversations etc.). Is almost never prepared. Misses all or nearly all classes, is late for all, or nearly all, start of the class, or is late returning from breaks.	

3	Displays most or many of the following: Is present, but responds minimally when asked directly. Is adequately prepared for class, but does not analyze or provide interpretation. Rarely asks questions, and does not always listen when others speak; is sometimes distracted during class (i.e. uses social media, cell phone, computer, sidebar conversations, etc.). Is often absent or often late for the start of the class or returning to class after break
5	Displays all or nearly all of the following: Very well prepared – read materials and relates it to other materials (readings, course material, discussions, experiences, etc.). Evaluates and analyzes material, and offers new and insightful approaches. Significantly contributes to discussion – listens to classmates and provides further analysis to maintain discussion. Very active discussion. Attends every class, is never late for the start of class or returning from break. Is always, or nearly always, attentive to class discussions and the instructor, never uses cell phone, computer or engages in sidebar conversation.

RESEARCH POLICY:

Students who plan to conduct research interviews, focus groups, surveys, or any other method of collecting data from any person, even a family member, must obtain the approval of the appropriate ethics committee before commencing data collection. Exceptions are research activities as a learning exercise to satisfy course requirements with no intent to publish as research.

POLICY FOR LATE ASSIGNMENTS:

- All assignments will be given a due date.
- Individuals who cannot meet the deadline and have a legitimate reason (i.e., illness supported by a medical certificate relative to the due date), must request an extension in writing from the instructor no later than the 24 hours before the deadline.
- Students who do not receive an extension from the instructor will receive a grade of zero on the assignment if the assignment is not submitted by the due date.
- It is the student's responsibility to retain an electronic copy of ALL assignments submitted for grading.

STUDENT HANDBOOK AND ACADEMIC REGULATION AND POLICY INFORMATION:

Refer to the **Student Handbook** for academic and general PACE policies. This information is also available on the UWinnipeg PACE website.

It is the students' responsibility to read the policies outlined in the PACE Student Handbook for all University of Winnipeg Academic regulation and policy information.

ACADEMIC MISCONDUCT:

Please refer to the Academic Misconduct Policy in the most recent version of the University of Winnipeg General Calendar, under Student Discipline, Section 8a, or see:

- Academic Misconduct Policy
- Procedures: Academic Misconduct Policy

UWINNIPEG RESPECTFUL LEARNING POLICY:

All students, faculty and staff have the right to participate, learn and work in an environment that is free of harassment and discrimination. The UW Respectful Working and Learning Environment Policy may be found online at www.uwinnipeg.ca/respect.

ACADEMIC ACCOMMODATIONS:

Students with documented disabilities, temporary or chronic medical conditions, requiring academic accommodations for tests/exams (e.g., private space) or during lectures/laboratories (e.g., note-takers) are encouraged to contact Accessibility Services (AS) at 786-9771 or accessibilityservices@uwinnipeg.ca to discuss appropriate options. All information about a student's disability or medical condition remains confidential. http://www.uwinnipeg.ca/accessibility.

UWPACE GRADING SYSTEM:

Letter Graded	Percentage	GPA	Pass/Fail
A +	96-100	4.50	P Pass
A	91-95	4.00	F Fail
A-	83-90	3.75	Non-Graded
B+	75-82	3.50	CP Certificate of Participation (75% Attendance)
В	70-74	3.00	NC No Certificate of Participation
C+	66-69	2.50	Special Designations
С	57-65	2.00	I Incomplete
D	50-56	1.00	TC Transfer Credit
F	<50	0.00	S Standing

DISCLAIMER:

Please retain a copy of this course outline for reference purposes and/or future academic endeavor.

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