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FACULTY OF EDUCATION

COURSE:

Education 421

Learning and Evaluation

SEMESTER:

Spring, 1978

CALENDAR DESCRIPTION:

Theory and research in classroom learning: the relationship between evaluation procedures and the

facilitation of learning.

COURSE INFORMATION:

Instructor

Dates

Day

Time

Stan M. Shapson

Jan. 12 - April 6

Thursday

4.30-8.30 p.m.

TOPICS:

This course will be divided into two parts with the aim of:

- 1. providing an overview of two major psychological approaches to classroom learning (i.e. operant and cognitive approaches) and examining their applicability to classroom practice.
- providing teachers with the information and skills (a) to use standardized (external) measuring devises and (b) to develop their own (i.e. internal) measuring devises to evaluate student performance.

READINGS:

Learning Component:

Required text:

W.B. Kolesnik Learning: Education Applications (Allyn &

Bacon, 1976).

Recommended text:

F. Smith Comprehension and Learning (Holt, Rinehart &

Winston, 1975).

Evaluation Component:

Required text:

D.L. Beggs & E.L. Levis Measurement and Evaluation in the

Schools (Houghton Mifflin, 1975).

Recommended text:

J.L. Hayman and R.N. Napier Evaluation in the Schools: A

Human Process for Renewal (Wadsworth, 1975).

In addition a list of recommended readings for specific topics will be provided (these will be placed "On Reserve" in the library).

REQUIREMENTS:

Students will have the option among several assignments (60%) and exams (40%).

The various assignments will be discussed the first week of the semester.