EDUC. 424-4 LEARNING DISABILITIES LAB

REGULAR SEMESTER 1981

INSTRUCTOR: Dr. Bernice Wong

LOCATION: Campus

Tuesday & Wednesday, 10:30 - 12:20 NOTE: All students are required to spend one hour, four mornings a week during the month of July (Monday to Thursday, 9:00 - 10:00 or 10:00 - 11:00) tutoring learning disabled children.

Why stipulate four mornings a week for such remedial tutoring, you may ask?

The reason is this: In order for you to have a truly representative picture of how a learning-disabled child functions, and how well his/her remedial progress is, you need to see that learning-disabled student on a continuous basis for a prolonged period. Effective remediation has to be consistent, preferrably daily for an optimal period of time which does not cause fatigue in the learning-disabled student. So, the cost/benefit analysis is that you learn more this way, the learning-disabled student also profits more. But obviously you have to exert more effort. Only hard-working students are encouraged to enrol in my section.

TOPICS COVERED:

- 1. Diagnosis and remediation of reading problems
- 2. Diagnosis and remediation of arithmetic problems
- 3. Diagnosis and remediation of comprehension problems
- 4. Task analysis
- 5. Concept analysis
- 6. Monitoring your remedial progress
- 7. How to test a learning-disabled student, using formal and informal materials
- 8. How to plan a remedial program

COURSE OBJECTIVES

At the end of the course, students will:

- (1) Demonstrate knowledge of various kinds of academic and nonacademic learning problems.
- (2) Demonstrate critical knowledge of various remedial approaches.
- (3) Demonstrate competence in assessment of academic learning problems.

50%

20%

(4) Demonstrate competence in planning a general remedial strategy for academic learning problems.

GRADING

Students' final grade will be composed of:

- (a) one exam
- (b) initial assessment report
- (c) Lab Report (including final assessment) 30%

TEXTBOOKS:

Primary & Elementary: HARING, LOVITT, EATON & HANSEN; THE 4TH R: RESEARCH IN THE CLASSROOM; Charles E. Merrill; 1978

Secondary: ALLEY & DESHLER; TEACHING THE LEARNING DISABILITIES ADOLESCENT: STRATEGIES AND METHODS; Love Pub. Co., 1979