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**EDUC 473-4
DESIGNS FOR LEARNING: READING
(D02.00)**

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PREREQUISITE: EDUC 401/402.

DESCRIPTION

The ability to read and write effectively is fundamental to success in school. Thus, providing students with high quality instruction that enables them to become effective readers and writers is one of the most important challenges faced by teachers. This course focuses on how best to meet this challenge. To this end, we will explore the research supported theoretical principles that undergird effective instructional practices in reading and learn about, model, and discuss various methods of evaluation and instruction designed to develop the literacy skills of students.

TOPICS COVERED

- A Look at Reading Instruction from an Historical Perspective
- Reading Across the Life Span: Developmental Perspectives
- The Reading Process
- Comprehension Instruction
- Vocabulary Instruction
- Early Literacy Instruction
- Reading-Writing Connections
- Developing an Effective "Program" of Literacy Instruction
- Assessment and Evaluation

REQUIRED TEXTS

Cunningham, P. M., Moore, S. A., Cunningham, J. W., & Moore, D. W. (2000). Reading and writing in elementary classrooms: Strategies and observations (4th ed.). Toronto: Allyn & Bacon; ISBN: 0801330637.

Rasinski, T.V., & Padak, N.D. (2001). From Phonics to Fluency: Effective Teaching of Decoding & Reading Fluency in the Elementary School. Toronto: Allyn & Bacon ISBN: 0321049039

Additional readings from photocopies and WWW.