Semester 96-2 Session: Intersession

EDUC 483 - 8 Curriculum Studies

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PREREQUISITE

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## **COURSE DESCRIPTION**

In this course, students study theory, implications and classroom practices of teaching for thinking. They also work on developing their teaching for thinking classroom skills.

Scheduled Final Exam: No

Students are required to participate in several types of learning experiences: reading, seminars, workshops and laboratories. Working in cooperative learning groups on specific developmental tasks is a significant component of this course.

## **OBJECTIVES**

- 1. To promote understanding of theory, principles, and classroom practices of teaching for thinking.
- 2. To examine the implications of teaching for thinking for the role of the teacher, the teaching-learning context, the curriculum, for instructional strategies and for evaluation.
- 3. To examine the instructional framework, "play-debrief-replay" as a way of organizing learning experiences in a teaching for thinking context.
- 4. To develop teaching skills that emphasize pupils' higher order thinking, within the context of the curriculum.

## REQUIREMENTS

- \* Attendance and participation in all parts of the program.
- \* Completion of assigned readings.
- \* Completion of assigned developmental tasks.
- \* Completion of audiotapes and videotape demonstrating professional growth in teaching for thinking.
- \* Contributions to the professional growth of others in cooperative learning groups.

READINGS				REQ	REC
0-8077-2814-4	Rath, L., Wassermann, S., Jonas, A. & Rothstein, A.	New York: Teachers College Press	Teaching for Thinking: Theory, Strategies and Activities for the Classroom.	X	
0-8077-3030-0	Wassermann, S.	Teachers College Press	Serious Players in the Primary Classroom	X	
	Wassermann, S.	Indiana: Phi Delta Kappa	Asking the Right Questions: The Essence of Teaching	X	
0-553-34668-7	Feynman, R.	Bantan	Surely You're Joking Mr. Feynman		х