EDUCATION 496-4 Special Topics: Dramatic Arts

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PREREQUISITE: EDUC 401/402

DESCRIPTION:

This course deals with theory, curricula and methodologies in drama education.

OBJECTIVES:

- 1. To introduce students to a variety of approaches, techniques and sources for drama teaching.
- 2. To acquaint students with pedagogical issues related to drama teaching.
- 3. To engage in critical discussion regarding the theoretical grounding for drama education.

OUTLINE OF TOPICS:

A selection from the following:

aims of drama education; drama and theatre; drama as methodology: the roles of the teacher; evaluation; group dynamics; integrating the arts; creative drama; evaluation; improvisation; storytelling; choral dramatization; docudrama; anthology; film and video; media criticism; readers' theatre; scene study; stagecraft; puppetry; theatre history; drama criticism; ESL drama; incorporating a global perspective into drama.

TYPICAL REQUIREMENTS:

1.	Theatre history project	30%
2.	Readers theatre project	30%
3.	Development of drama unit	30%
4.	Leading warm-up exercises; active participation in class projects	10%

REQUIRED TEXTS:

Booth, David, & Lundy, Charles (1985) Improvisation: Learning Through Drama. Toronto: Harcourt Brace Jovanovich

Lundy, Charles, & Booth, David (1983). Interpretation: Working With Scripts. Toronto: Harcourt Brace Jovanovich

Drama and/or Fine Arts Curriculum guides for appropriate grade level strongly recommended.