

SIMON FRASER UNIVERSITY

EDUCATION 472-4

**DESIGNS FOR LEARNING: ENGLISH & LANGUAGE ARTS
(Secondary only)**

Summer Session, 1989
(July 4 – August 11)
Monday/Wednesday
1:00 – 4:50 p.m.
Location: MPX 7506

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DESCRIPTION OF COURSE:

This course will focus on an integrated, student-centered, experiential approach to secondary English education. Special attention will be focussed on:

- group interaction
- writing process
- individual learning patterns
- evaluation procedures
- literature teaching

The course will focus on the principles and practices which instill the love of learning and independent thinking in the secondary English classroom.

OBJECTIVES AND EXPECTATIONS:

This course will actively engage students in meeting these objectives:

1. Become familiar with these aspects of writing process:
 - a. focussing
 - b. audience awareness
 - c. revision
2. Complete two writing assignments to a point considered satisfactory by the instructors.
3. Participate in a variety of prescribed reading activities to discuss major issues facing today's English teacher.
4. Develop 3 activities using assigned and self selected literature.
5. Examine measurement and evaluation in the language arts classroom, and evaluate one another's work and several pieces presented in class.

- 6. Consider language arts as an interactive and personal process of developing thought and language, demonstrated by acting in a professional manner to their peers in class and during seminars.
- 8. Use knowledge of learning style to improve questioning strategies.

OUTLINE OF TOPICS:

- 1. Writing Process
- 2. Organic Teaching
- 3. Drama
- 4. Learning Styles – Questioning
- 5. Evaluation
- 6. Relevancy in the Classroom

REQUIREMENTS:

- attendance
- active participation in in-class activities
- complete three writing assignments
- complete three drama activities
- determine teaching/learning style

REQUIRED TEXTS:

Insult to Intelligence. Smith, Frank, Arbor House, N.Y., 1986.

Insights, Mamchur, Carolyn, OISE, Toronto, 1984.

ADDITIONAL READINGS WILL BE PROVIDED AS HANDOUTS.