

Fall Semester 2003

EDUC 433 - 4

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Wednesdays & Fridays
13:30-15:20 in AQ 5030

Philosophical Issues in Curriculum

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PREREQUISITE:

60 credit hours

This course examines a number of philosophical questions relating to curriculum, most particularly the fundamental questions of what constitutes a good educational curriculum and how one justifies it as such. In pursuing those central questions a number of other key educational concepts are examined, including knowledge, emotions and intellect. Consideration will also be given to the arguments for and against the inclusion of a number of standard curriculum subjects.

REQUIREMENTS

Attendance at 2, two hour lecture sessions each week

Assignments:

1 short paper (2-3 pages) at end of week 2 (10%)

3 short analytic pieces at end of week 4 (30%)

1 essay (6 pages or more) at end of week 8 (30%)

1 in-class exam (2 short pieces) (30%)

REQUIRED TEXT:

Barrow, Robin *Understanding Skills: Thinking, Feeling and Caring
Study Guide & Course Reader for Education 433*