

(ELEMENTARY)

SUMMER SESSION 1982

INSTRUCTOR: Aileen Kirkham

Tuesday & Friday 1:00 - 4:50

LOCATION: on campus

This course is offered to students and practicing teachers who wish to explore the curriculum area and approach to learning called the Language Arts. The course is designed to introduce you to planning for learning, creating learning environments, and developing strategies, techniques, and materials in Language Arts in the elementary school.

Experiences in Language Arts will be provided through workshop presentations, seminars, individualized tasks and group activities. The topics covered will include:

- * curriculum development in Language Arts -- diagnosing needs, setting objectives, planning, implementing, evaluating;
- * reading - instructional approaches, materials, and programs; children's literature; relationship to writing;
- * writing - fostering and developing written expression; tools and techniques convention in writing (including spelling, punctuation, etc.); grammar; usage;
- * aural-oral aspects of the Language Arts -- fostering and developing skills of listening and speaking; drama; media;
- * thinking - the fifth Language Art
- * integration of Language Arts with other areas of curriculum.

REQUIREMENTS:

Students will be required to choose a major curriculum project for in-depth independent study. Through this project, each student will explore the theoretical background of a chosen topic by writing a discussion paper and will demonstrate practical classroom application by making a project presentation in class. In addition, students will be required to attend and participate in all parts of the course; complete required readings; respond to brief in-class assignments; demonstrate competency in selected small group activities.

REQUIRED TEXT:

Petty, Walter T., Petty, Dorothy C., Becking, Marjorie F. Experiences in Language. Allyn & Bacon Inc. Boston (latest edition).

RECOMMENDED TEXT:

Ashton-Warner, Sylvia. Teacher.

Holdaway, Don. The Foundations of Literacy.

McCracken, Marlene & Robert. Reading, Writing and Language.

Moffett, James, Wagner, Betty Jane. Student Centred Language Arts & Reading K-13.