

CENTRE FOR ONLINE AND DISTANCE EDUCATION

SIMON FRASER UNIVERSITY

Summer SEMESTER 2009 COURSE OUTLINE**EDUC 230-3 (EDUCATION)
INTRODUCTION TO PHILOSOPHY OF EDUCATION
C100**

Philosophy of education is at an intersection of incredibly rich, diverse visions and arguments concerning aims, values, methods, and assumptions underlying education. EDUC 230 introduces you to a broad range of diverse philosophical viewpoints, such as the feminist, ecologist, spiritualist, multiculturalist, and critical pedagogist. Through the lenses of these diverse viewpoints, we will explore and examine the concept of education (what should our aims be?), curriculum (what should students study?), pedagogy (what do we want to be a teacher and to teach?), knowledge (what is knowledge and what is it for?), and ethics (what moral values shall we teach our young?). You'll come away with a comprehensive picture of the kinds of philosophical debates waged in education around these themes. We intend that you become a perspectival thinker, able to think, question, and interpret any educational issue from multiple perspectives. You will also emerge from this course with a strong but informed personal voice and stance, capable of entering into dialogue and discussion with confidence.

PREREQUISITE(S):

Breadth-Humanities.

TEXT(S):

None.

REQUIREMENTS:

Weekly reflections (online)	20%
Peer feedback on weekly reflections	10%
Peer review of paired philosophical essay	10%
Paired philosophical essay	30%
Group philosophical dialogue	30%

REQUIREMENTS:Students requiring accommodation as a result of a disability, must contact the Centre for Accessibility Services (778-782-3112 or csd_office@sfu.ca).**NOTE:**Students with Disabilities (778-782-3112 or csd_office@sfu.ca).**DELIVERY MODE:**

FirstClass Computer Conferencing

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MODE OF**DELIVERY**

n/a

NOTE:**SUPPLEMENTARY**

Course materials and service fee \$40.00

FEES:

Deposit for additional materials \$35.00

Note: Every distance course includes a CODE package containing assignment deadlines and other information. Please pick it up at the Centre or ask that it be mailed when registering on goSFU.

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