

Semester 96-1

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**EDUC 482 - 4 EDUCATIONAL USES OF COMPUTERS**

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Scheduled Final Exam: NO

**PREREQUISITE**

Educ 401/402

**COURSE DESCRIPTION**

Recent developments in microelectronics have hastened the arrival of computers in the classroom. This course will examine the various ways that computers might influence the teaching-learning process and classroom management.

Students in this course will:

- a) develop competencies in the operation of microcomputers.
- b) develop skills related to the selection, evaluation and utilization of computer-based learning materials.
- c) develop an awareness of the ways coputers can be used to support the instructioal and administrative tasks of teachers.
- d) develop a critical awareness of the role of computers in society and the implication of this for education.

**OBJECTIVES**

*This is an introductory course in which students will develop a level of computer literacy sufficient for the intelligent and critical utilization of existing microcomputer hardware and software. It is not a course designed to prepare teachers to teach computing science courses nor will it prepare teachers to write computer-assisted learning materials.*

**OUTLINE OF TOPICS:**

- 1. Operation of Microcomputers
- 2. Modes of computer utilization
- 3. Selection and utilization of software
- 4. Computer literacy

**REQUIREMENTS**

Course activities will consist of lectures, demonstrations, readings, and laboratories.

- 1. Lab Exercises ..... 50%
- 2. Maintenance of an Internet Journal ..... 20%
- 3. Implementation Project ..... 30%

**READINGS**

1-55013-615-1	Owen, Owston,& Dickie	Key Porter Books	<u>The Learning Highway: A Student's Guide</u>
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