

Spring Semester 1999

EDUC 428 - 4
Nature and Nurture of the Gifted

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PREREQUISITE

Educ 220 or Psyc 250 or Psyc 302, and Educ 401/402

COURSE DESCRIPTION

This course will introduce teachers to concepts, practices and issues related to the nature and nurture of high ability learners. Participants will learn to recognize and challenge these students in developmentally appropriate ways.

Participants will prepare assignments based on required reading prior to each class. This writing will become the basis for in-class activities with classmates.

OBJECTIVES

For students in this course will include that they:

1. Understand practical and theoretical conceptions of giftedness.
2. Recognize the behavioral characteristics of gifted students and their sources.
3. Design learning experiences appropriate for individual highly able learners.
4. Understand the procedures used to select students for differentiated instruction.

REQUIREMENTS

- Paper/Project - 40%
- Curriculum Activity - 10%
- Notebook - 40%
- Interview - 10%

READINGS

\$25.00 will be charged for materials fee. The fee will be used to cover the cost of photocopying required readings. These will be available for photocopying in the Centre for Educational Technology. There will be no required text.

SCHEDULE This course is offered over 8 Saturdays:
*Jan 9, 16, 23, 30, Feb 6, 13, 27, March 6 (9:00-15:30)