

**SFU/Metchosin  
Summer 1988**

**Education 341-3  
Literacy, Education and Culture  
Mary Alice Johnson**

**Course Description**

The primary objective of this course is to make students aware of the role of literacy in social, economic, and cultural development of societies and individuals. Students will gain an understanding of the consequences, costs, and values associated with or attributed to literacy. The course will examine the history of literacy, the ways in which literacy has been defined, and the various ways societies have tried to increase literacy. We shall analyze the broader consequences of literacy as well as examine and compare empirical research and conceptual studies in literacy.

**Text**

Suzanne De Castell, et al. *Literacy, Society and Schooling: A Reader*.  
Xeroxed readings

**Course Requirements**

Independent reading and tutorial participation	15%
Learning Log	30%
Major Project	25%
Oral Exam	15%
Short Essay	15%