

**SIMON FRASER UNIVERSITY
SUMMER SESSION 2006**

**EDUC 430-4
DESIGNS FOR LEARNING: DANCE
(E01.00)**

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**TUESDAY & THURSDAY 17:30-21:20 in EDB 7540 (mini-gym)
Start date June 27, 2006 - August 3, 2006**

PREREQUISITE

Education 401/402 or permission of instructor

COURSE DESCRIPTION

This course is designed for teachers who plan to teach dance in the school system in arts, physical education, dance program or classroom contexts from grades K - 12. We will look at a developmental progression of teaching dance to primary, intermediate and secondary students with consideration to the distinctive needs and abilities of each of these groups. Extensive dance experience is not required so much as a keen desire to explore movement ideas and possibilities in a creative and supportive learning environment. Attendance and active physical participation is a requirement of this course and an important criteria for grading because of the experiential nature of dance. Students should come to class dressed comfortably in loose clothing prepared to move.

OBJECTIVES: Students are expected to demonstrate a clear understanding of the movement elements in their developing work. An important objective of this course is to explore creative ways of integrating children's literature, writing and art with dance. This is a course that seeks to encourage integration of movement into all curricular areas in exciting and innovative ways. Students will learn a variety of approaches to generating choreography as well as have opportunities to create, perform and critique their own small group dance compositions. We will study lesson and unit planning, evaluation strategies and the Ministry of Education's IRP's for dance. Assigned readings will consider contemporary issues related to dance in education.

REQUIREMENTS

1. Movement Journal 15%
2. Resource Binder 15%
3. 5 page Term Paper 15%
4. Final Performance 15%
5. Unit Plan 15%
6. Participation 25% (including in class assignments, quizzes, compositions, readings)

REQUIRED TEXT: Brain Compatible Dance Education by Anne Green Gilbert
ISBN 0-88314-766-1

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