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MTI 528- Effective Instructional Practices for English Learners

Credits: 3 graduate semester hours/credits from Calumet College of St. Joseph

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Instructor Background:	Shannon Vera has been in education for the past 15 years. She has served as a classroom teacher from Preschool to Fourth grade as well as a district wide ESL Lead teacher. For the 2017-2018 school year Shannon has stepped into the role of Director of Bilingual Education for Chicago Heights School District 170. She has provided professional development to teachers on best literacy and writing practices for English Learners, WIDA assessments and resources, the SIOP model and creating a classroom that promotes oracy. In the past year, she has presented at the Statewide ESSA Conference, South Suburban Reading Council and for the Illinois Migrant Council. Recently, she has become a professional development consultant for the Illinois Resource Center. Shannon holds an ESL endorsement, a Masters in Reading, and a Masters in Administration

Course Information	
Course Format (distance learning, online, webinar, experiential onsite courses):	Online Course The LMS for delivering the course will be Canvas. An invitation will be sent to you by your instructor during the week prior to the start of your course. If you have not received an invitation, please email us at the MTI email address listed above.
Prerequisites	All MTI courses are designed for educators who have a minimum of a bachelor's degree and professional educator license. Prior to beginning the course, check with your district office to ensure that credit will be accepted for salary increase and professional development. All courses are for 3 graduate semester hours.
Required Books and Materials	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Vogt, MaryEllen, & Echevarria, Jana. (2008). <i>“99 Ideas and Activities for Teaching English Learners with The SIOP Model.”</i> Boston, MA: Pearson Education, Inc.” <i>(provided FREE with registration)</i> ● Internet access ● LMS- Canvas Account and Login ● Lesson plans and unit plans
<p>Learning Outcomes/Competencies: At the completion of this course, the learner will be able to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Develop strategies to provide English Learners with practice and application of key content and language concepts. InTASC 2,3,5,6 ● Identify ways to promote students' interaction with each other and with the teacher. InTASC 4,6,7,8 ● Facilitate instructional learning opportunities for students to use English while reading, writing, listening, and speaking. InTASC 2,5, 9,10 ● Design lesson plans with content and language objectives aligned to their subject areas and grade levels. InTASC 1,3,9,10 	
<p>Course Description: This class is designed to assist classroom teachers and support staff in tailoring instructional practices to support English Learners to develop both content knowledge and language growth. The class is organized to explore the 8 components of the Sheltered Instruction Observation Protocol (SIOP) Model and 30 features identified to guide educators in their development of effective lessons and assessments for instructing English Learners. Participants will also learn techniques and strategies to increase interaction, engagement, and comprehension for English Learners in their classrooms.</p>	
<p>Learning Strategies: Professional literature analysis, whole group discussions, professional collaboration, personal reflection, individual assignments (discussions, application assignments, research project and evaluation essay).</p>	
<p>Experiential Learning Opportunities: Educators will reflect on their current practices and improve as an educator, disciplinarian and leader in the classroom.</p>	

Assessments		
Answer and discuss weekly questions posted by instructor to online classroom at Canvas forum. 9 points per question.	45 points	6 hours
Reflect and respond to 2 posts weekly made by colleagues online at Canvas classroom forum. 10 total- 9 points per response.	90 points	9 hours
Application assignments 2 @45 points each	90 points	10 hours
Research project	100 points	10 hours
Evaluation/reflection paper	100 points	10 hours
Total points possible	425 points	45 hours
<p>Grading Scale: A (90-100%); B (80-89%) <i>*Anything below a B will not receive graduate credit and result in a failing grade of F.</i></p> <p>If you do not receive a B or higher, your work will be returned to you for further correction and completion. You will be allowed one (1) re-submit to your instructor to achieve a grade of B or higher. If after your re-submit, you still do not achieve a B or higher you will receive a failing grade of F and therefore forfeit the 3 graduate credits.</p>		

Answer and Discuss Rubric -5 @ 9 points each			
Category	Superior (3 pts)	Sufficient (2 pts)	Minimal(1pt)
<i>Supporting Evidence in Practice</i> ____/3	Response shows strong evidence of ideas and insights from this course and how they are applied to the classroom.	Response shows evidence of ideas and insights from this course and how they are applied to the classroom.	Response shows some evidence of ideas and insights from this course and how they are applied to the classroom.
<i>Accuracy</i> ____/3	All supporting facts and statistics are accurately represented.	Almost all supporting facts and statistics are accurately represented.	Some of the supporting facts and statistics are accurately represented.
<i>Grammar and Spelling</i> ____/3	Response includes 0-1 mistakes in grammar or spelling.	Response includes a few grammar and spelling mistakes.	Response includes several grammar and spelling mistakes.

Reflect and Response Rubric-10 @ 9 points each			
Category	Superior (3 pts)	Sufficient (2 pts)	Minimal(1pt)
<i>Supporting Evidence in Practice</i> ____/3	Response shows strong evidence of ideas and insights from this course and how they are applied to the classroom.	Response shows evidence of ideas and insights from this course and how they are applied to the classroom.	Response shows some evidence of ideas and insights from this course and how they are applied to the classroom.

<i>Accuracy</i> ____/3	All supporting facts and statistics are accurately represented.	Almost all supporting facts and statistics are accurately represented.	Some of the supporting facts and statistics are accurately represented.
<i>Grammar and Spelling</i> ____/3	Response includes 0-1 mistakes in grammar or spelling.	Response includes a few grammar and spelling mistakes.	Response includes several grammar and spelling mistakes.

Application Rubric- 2@ 45 points each			
Category	Superior (15-13 pts)	Sufficient (12-10 pts)	Minimal(9-7pts)
<i>Supporting Evidence in Practice</i> ____/15	Response shows strong evidence of ideas and insights from this course and how they are applied to the classroom.	Response shows evidence of ideas and insights from this course and how they are applied to the classroom.	Response shows some evidence of ideas and insights from this course and how they are applied to the classroom.
<i>Accuracy</i> ____/15	All supporting facts and statistics are accurately represented.	Almost all supporting facts and statistics are accurately represented.	Some of the supporting facts and statistics are accurately represented.
<i>Grammar and Spelling</i> ____/15	Response includes 0-1 mistakes in grammar or spelling.	Response includes a few grammar and spelling mistakes.	Response includes several grammar and spelling mistakes.

Project Rubric- 100 points			
Category	Superior (20-18 pts)	Sufficient (17-16 pts)	Minimal (15-14pts)
<i>Understanding of web tool</i> ____/20	Shows strong understanding of activity, concept, or tool and maximize learning	Shows adequate understanding of activity, concept, or tool and benefit learning.	Shows little understanding of activity, concept, or tool and may not benefit learning.
<i>Practical evidence</i> ____/20	Shows strong evidence of ideas and insights gained from this course and how they are applied to classroom.	Shows evidence of ideas and insights from this course and how they are applied to classroom.	Shows little evidence of ideas and insights from this course or how they are applied to the classroom.
<i>Completion</i> ____/20	Completed in a thoughtful and meaningful manner.	Completed, but with minimal quality.	Not all projects are completed and of those that are, some are minimal quality.
<i>Grammar and Spelling</i> ____/20	Includes no mistakes in grammar or spelling.	Includes few grammar and spelling mistakes.	Includes numerous grammar and spelling mistakes.
<i>Sequencing</i> ____/20	Sequenced, showing if-then thinking and the logical order required to complete skill, solve problem, or use tool.	Not always sequenced, showing incomplete if-then thinking and understanding of logical order required to complete skill.	Confusing making it difficult to replicate activities; little understanding of logic or if-then thinking evidenced.

Evaluation Rubric- 100 points

Category	Superior (20-17 pts)	Sufficient (16-13 pts)	Minimal(12-9pts)	Below Standard (8 pts)
Supporting Evidence in Practice ____/20	Response shows strong evidence of ideas and insights from this course and how they are applied to the classroom.	Response shows evidence of ideas and insights from this course and how they are applied to the classroom.	Response shows some evidence of ideas and insights from this course and how they are applied to the classroom.	Response shows little evidence of ideas and insights from this course and there is little evidence they are applied to the classroom.
Accuracy ____/20	All supporting facts and statistics are accurately represented.	Almost all supporting facts and statistics are accurately represented.	Some of the supporting facts and statistics are accurately represented.	Many of the supporting facts and statistics are inaccurately represented.
Grammar and Spelling ____/20	Response includes 0-1 mistakes in grammar or spelling.	Response includes a few grammar and spelling mistakes.	Response includes several grammar and spelling mistakes.	Response includes numerous grammar and spelling mistakes.
Logical Sequencing ____/20	Response is written in a clear, concise, and well organized manner. Thoughts are presented in a coherent and logical manner.	Response is mostly clear, concise, and well organized. Thoughts are presented in a coherent and logical manner.	Response is somewhat unclear and/or disorganized. Some thoughts are presented in a coherent and logical manner.	Response is mostly unclear and/or disorganized. Many thoughts are presented in an incoherent and illogical manner.
Reflection ____/20	Response demonstrates an in-depth reflection on, and personalization of, the theories, concepts, and /or strategies presented in this course.	Response demonstrates some reflection on, and personalization of, the theories, concepts, and /or strategies presented in this course.	Response demonstrates a minimal reflection on, and personalization of, the theories, concepts, and /or strategies presented in this course.	Response demonstrates no reflection on, and personalization of, the theories, concepts, and /or strategies presented in this course.

Course Schedule

**All assignments must be completed the week assigned. In emergencies, please contact instructor.*

Week 1 – Introduction to Course and LMS-Canvas Tutorial

- Read Chapter 1: *Overview of the SIOP Model*
- Read Chapter 2: *Preparation*
- Answer and Discussion Activity- Answer Week #1 Instructor Posted Online Question by Tuesday.
- Reflect and Respond Activity- Post/Communicate 2 Responses Online To Your Colleagues Answers by Thursday.

Week 2 - Strategies 11 thru 20

- Read Chapter 3: *Building Background*
- Read Chapter 4: *Comprehensible Input*
- Answer and Discussion Activity- Answer Week #2 Instructor Posted Online Question by Tuesday.
- Reflect and Respond Activity- Post/Communicate 2 Responses Online To Your Colleagues Answers by Thursday.

Application #1- Due Sunday end of week #2 (45 points)

Respond to at least 3 of the questions listed on pages 8-9 of the text highlighting Differentiated Instruction that focus on the six Preparation features of the SIOP Model:

- 1.) “How will I meet the needs of all learners so that they achieve grade level standards?”
- 2.) “How will I plan for multilevel responses according to students’ English proficiency levels?” 3.) “How do I plan appropriate grade-level instruction for my English learners if they do not have the requisite knowledge to understand what is being taught?”
- 4.) “How can I clarify concepts for struggling students? How can I present concepts in a way that is relevant and meaningful?”
- 5.) “How do I make content material accessible to all students?”
- 6.) “How will I organize my classroom for a variety of meaningful activities to occur at once?”

Week 3 –Strategies 21 thru 30

- Read Chapter 5: *Strategies*
- Read Chapter 6: *Interaction*
- Answer and Discussion Activity- Answer Week #3 Instructor Posted Online Question by Tuesday.
- Reflect and Respond Activity- Post/Communicate 2 Responses Online To Your Colleagues Answers by Thursday.

Application #2- Due Sunday end of week #3 (45 points)

Review the Levels of Second Language Acquisition on pages 51-52 of the text. Write about an English Learner (or Learners) that you have (or had) in your classroom and their stage(s) of English language acquisition. What strategies did you use in your instruction to help support them at their English proficiency level(s)?

-The paper should be 2-3 pages long, double spaced following APA format.

Week 4 –Strategies 31 thru 40

- Read Chapter 7: *Practice and Application*
- Read Chapter 8: *Lesson Delivery*
- Answer and Discussion Activity- Answer Week #4 Instructor Posted Online Question by Tuesday.
- Reflect and Respond Activity- Post/Communicate 2 Responses Online To Your Colleagues Answers by Thursday.

Research Assignment- Due Sunday end of week #4 (100 points)

Research **two** articles on improving instructional practices for ESL learners. Compare the strategies(from your textbook) and those of your researched articles. Explain an incident in your classroom or that has happened to a colleague as it pertains to ESL and how you improved the students instruction and the learning outcomes that were achieved. Which strategies did you employ? Did learning actually improve?

You may complete your assignment in a 3 to 5 page research paper following APA format.

To complete this assignment, you must find at least **2 resources** related to the content of this course. The resources should be:

- Recent, having been published within the last 5 to 7 years.
- Cited, you must provide the web address or other identification for the research you conducted. Include the date that it was published/retrieved, as well as the author(s).

Week 5-Strategies 41 to 50

- Read Chapter 9: *Review and Assessment*
- Read Appendix A: *SIOP Protocol*
- Answer and Discussion Activity- Answer Week #5 Instructor Posted Online Question by Tuesday.
- Reflect and Respond Activity- Post/Communicate 2 Responses Online To Your Colleagues Answers by Thursday.

Final Evaluation Assignment due by Sunday night end of week # 5 (100 points)

For your final assignment, read the article “Teaching English Learners the SIOP Way” by Susan Hanson and Canisus Filbert. (Article can be found at:)

<http://edfs200ell.pbworks.com/w/file/fetch/54714261/SIOP%20way.pdf>

Once you have finished reading the article, complete one of the following (100 points):

- 1) State your position on the article. You may choose to argue for the article, against it, or in favor of some points and not others. Make sure to fully support your argument. Write 3-5 pages.
- 2) Compare the thoughts of the book’s authors to the article. Then compare the work of both the text and article to the current situation in your own school or district. In what ways are they similar? In what ways do they differ? Write 3-5 pages APA format.

End of Course Survey

Now that you are finished with this class, please take the time to help us improve our product. In order to make sure that we are providing the best possible service, please take our [survey](#).

We appreciate your help and your commitment to the profession.

Academic Honesty

Academic dishonesty is any form of cheating which results in students giving or receiving unauthorized assistance in an academic exercise or receiving credit for work which is not their own. Any academic dishonesty is grounds for dismissal. Any student judged to be engaged in cheating may receive a failing grade for the course, or any other penalty, which the instructor finds appropriate. Academic dishonesty is a behavioral issue, not an issue of academic performance. As such, it is considered an act of misconduct and is also subject to the University disciplinary process as defined in the Student Code of Conduct.

Acts of Dishonesty Include:

- Cheating—intentionally using or attempting to use unauthorized materials, information, or study aids in any academic exercise. The term academic exercise includes all forms of work submitted for credit or hours.
- Fabrication—intentional and unauthorized falsification or invention of information or citation in an academic exercise.
- Facilitating Academic Dishonesty—intentionally or knowingly helping or attempting to help another to violate a provision of the institutional code of academic integrity.
- Plagiarism—the deliberate adoption or reproduction of ideas, words, or statements of another person as one’s own without acknowledgement.

Unauthorized Collaboration—intentionally sharing information or working together in an academic exercise when the course instructor does not approve such actions.

ADA Statement

The University abides by the Americans with Disability Act and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, which stipulates that no student shall be denied the benefits of an education “solely by reason of a handicap.” If you have a documented disability that may affect your work in this class and for which you may require accommodations, please contact the Disability Resource Coordinator as soon as possible to arrange accommodations. In order to receive accommodations, you must be registered with and provide documentation of your disability to the Disability Resource Office.

The Disability Resource office will provide Extended Studies with documentation of the disability and any accommodations that are needed.

The ten INTASC STANDARDS are listed below. Specific standards for knowledge, dispositions, and performances accompany each principle, but space does not permit listing them below. For a complete copy of the INTASC standards, contact Jean Miller, Director of INTASC, Suite 700, One Massachusetts Avenue NW, Washington DC 20001-1431.

The InTASC Model Core Teaching Standards (April 2011)

The Learner and Learning

Standard #1: Learner Development

The teacher understands how learners grow and develop, recognizing that patterns of learning and development vary individually within and across the cognitive, linguistic, social, emotional, and physical areas, and designs and implements developmentally appropriate and challenging learning experiences.

Standard #2: Learning Differences

The teacher uses understanding of individual differences and diverse cultures and communities to ensure inclusive learning environments that enable each learner to meet high standards.

Standard #3: Learning Environments

The teacher works with others to create environments that support individual and collaborative learning, and that encourage positive social interaction, active engagement in learning, and self-motivation.

Content Knowledge

Standard #4: Content Knowledge

The teacher understands the central concepts, tools of inquiry, and structures of the discipline(s) he or she teaches and creates learning experiences that make these aspects of the discipline accessible and meaningful for learners to assure mastery of the content.

Standard #5: Application of Content

The teacher understands how to connect concepts and use differing perspectives to engage learners in critical thinking, creativity, and collaborative problem solving related to authentic local and global issues.

Instructional Practice

Standard #6: Assessment

The teacher understands and uses multiple methods of assessment to engage learners in their own growth, to monitor learner progress, and to guide the teacher's and learner's decision making.

Standard #7: Planning for Instruction

The teacher plans instruction that supports every student in meeting rigorous learning goals by drawing upon knowledge of content areas, curriculum, cross-disciplinary skills, and pedagogy, as well as knowledge of learners and the community context.

Standard #8: Instructional Strategies

The teacher understands and uses a variety of instructional strategies to encourage learners to develop deep understanding of content areas and their connections, and to build skills to apply knowledge in meaningful ways.

Professional Responsibility

Standard #9: Professional Learning and Ethical Practice

The teacher engages in ongoing professional learning and uses evidence to continually evaluate his/her practice, particularly the effects of his/her choices and actions on others (learners, families, other professionals, and the community), and adapts practice to meet the needs of each learner.

Standard #10: Leadership and Collaboration

The teacher seeks appropriate leadership roles and opportunities to take responsibility for student learning, to collaborate with learners, families, colleagues, other school professionals, and community members to ensure learner growth, and to advance the profession.