Field Experience
During your field experience placement, you are encouraged to observe in your classroom and assist the teacher in as many ways as possible. As part of the field experience for EDUC 346, you and your partner will complete FOUR central assignments:

1. Conduct a meaningful read aloud to learn about your students
2. Examine the context for learning
3. Coplan and coteach a social studies lesson
4. Complete a series of social studies observations

WEEK 1

1. Read Aloud Lesson Plan + Reflection
You and your field partner will EACH choose a read aloud book that establishes a text-to-self connection as a way to introduce yourself to the class in a meaningful way. After reading aloud, you will engage your students with a discussion or other activity in order to gather information about their everyday experiences, cultural backgrounds and practices, and interests. This information will be useful in planning for your future lesson where you will have the opportunity to link lived experiences with new material. Each lesson should be approximately 30 minutes.

2. Context for Learning
You and your partner will complete a Context for Learning about the classroom and students to help prepare for your social studies lesson.

WEEK 2

3. Elementary Social Studies Coteaching Lesson Plan + Reflection
You and your partner will design a lesson plan that will be taught during the second week in the field. You will be provided a template and be expected to connect to Common Core ELA expectations as well in the context of the lesson. You will also design your lesson plan around a coteaching strategy that is reviewed in class. The ETE-approved template will be provided to you, and the lesson should span at least 45 minutes (could be divided between days). All lesson plans will include the necessary materials for instruction. Partners will be evaluated jointly for the plan but individually for the reflection.
Your 346 instructor and your clinical educator must approve plans for this lesson.

WEEK 1 and/or 2

4. Field Observation and Analysis Paper: Social Studies at the Elementary Level
During your experience in the field, observe at least two, full-length social studies lessons—taught by two different teachers (ex: Grade 3 and Grade 5). You will discuss with one of the teachers how they planned for their lesson. When you observe the lessons, take note of the learning environment and lesson implementation in order to submit an analysis of what you saw.