EDUC 310

Field Experience Handbook

Fall 2019

EDUC 310: Reading and Writing in Elementary School

Field Experience Assignment(s):

Week 1: Observation and Assessments

During the first field experience week, students will complete two tasks. First, each student will assess oral reading fluency and decoding for 2 students selected with the cooperating teacher. Second, each student will complete a description of their practicum teacher's English Language Arts (ELA) block. This description will help students to target their work for the remainder of the practicum. A format for the description will be provided on the course Canvas page. Additionally, students will discuss with the cooperating teacher the selection of two texts (a grade level text, and a more challenging read aloud text) for whole group lessons during Week 2.

Week 2: Whole-group shared reading lesson and read aloud with sentence composing lesson

During the second field experience week, each student will (a) teach one 45-minute lesson and, (b) conduct a structured observation of his or her partner's teaching. One student will teach a whole-group shared reading lesson with a before, during, and after-reading structure. The other student will conduct an interactive read aloud followed by sentence composing lesson. These two lessons can be conducted on different days. In addition, students will work with the cooperating teacher to select a small group of up to 6 students and discuss possible small group reading texts for small group lessons during Week 3.

Week 3: Small-group reading lesson and small-group writing lesson
During the third field experience week, each student will (a) teach one 45-minute
lesson and, (b) conduct a structured observation of his or her partner's teaching.
One student will teach a small-group reading lesson to the group identified during
Week 2. The other student will conduct a small-group writing lesson based on the
text used in small group reading for the same group of students. These two lessons
can be conducted on different days, but the reading lesson should come first.