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Topics in Collaboration and Transition Section 01

EDSE 228A

Spring 2024 3 Unit(s) 01/24/2024 to 05/13/2024 Modified 01/29/2024



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Prerequisites:	Department consent

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In-Person Dates: 1/31; 2/14; 2/28; 3/13; 3/27; 4/10; 4/24; 5/8

Asynchronous Online: 1/24; 2/7; 2/21; 3/6; 3/20; 4/17; 5/1; 5/8

Course Description (from Course Catalog)

Strategies for effective communication and collaboration practices with members of the various teams that plan and serve students receiving special education services. Emphasis in planning transitional life experiences across the lifespan.

Course Format: Online Hybrid

This course will adopt a hybrid delivery format, including synchronous meetings. Students will need access to a computer or tablet device with internet connectivity, a microphone, and speakers.

Technology Requirements

If you do not have access to a computer with the necessary features to participate in class, please look into the <u>free equipment loaning program</u> (https://www.sjsu.edu/it/services/academic-tech/equipment-loaning/index.php) offered by SJSU.

If campus is open, there are computer labs for student use available in the <u>Academic Success</u> <u>Center</u>(http://www.sjsu.edu/at/asc) located on the 1st floor of Clark Hall and in the Associated Students Lab on the 2nd floor of the Student Union. Computers are also available in the Martin Luther King Library. A wide variety of audio-visual equipment is available for student checkout from Media Services located in IRC 112. These items include DV and HD digital camcorders; digital still cameras; video, slide and overhead projectors; DVD, CD, and audiotape players; sound systems, wireless microphones, projection screens and monitors.

Canvas Learning Management System

All course materials (announcements, syllabus, handouts, assignment instructions, lecture videos, etc.) will be available on Canvas. You are responsible for regularly checking both Canvas and your SJSU email (the one that ends with "sjsu.edu") to learn of any updates. For help with using Canvas see Canvas Student Resources page(http://www.sjsu.edu/ecampus/teaching-tools/canvas/student_resources).

Course Learning Outcomes (CLO)

This course is intended to assist students to meet the competencies specified in the CCTC Teacher
Performance Expectations (TPEs) (https://www.sjsu.edu/specialed/programs/teacher-performance-expectations/index.html) related to supporting positive behavior and classroom management for as specified for the following credentials:

- Universal: 2(A), 2.4(A), 3.4(A), 4.5(P/A), 4.6(A), 5.6(A), 6.3(A), 6.4(P)
- Mild/Moderate: 5(A), 1.6(P/A), 2.4(A), 2.7(A), 4.6(A), 5.3(A), 6.1(A), 6.2(P/A), 6.5(I/P/A)
- Extensive Support Needs: 1(A), 1.5(P) 1.10(P/A), 1.11(P/A), 2.4 (I), 2.1(P), 2,10(P), 4.7(A), 6.1(P), 6.2(I/P), 6.3(A)
- Early Childhood Special Education: 5(P), 1.11(A), 2.2(P), 3.8(A), 4.9(A) 4.13(A), 5.8(A), 6.1(A), 6.2(A), 6.4(A), 6.5(P), 6.8(A), 6.11(P), 6.12(P), 6.13(P), 6.14(I), 6.15(I), 6.16(I), 6.17, 6.18

Additionally, this course addresses the following program learning outcomes (PLOs):

PLO #3: Plan, design, implement, and monitor linguistically and culturally appropriate instruction that meets the unique needs of students with disabilities.

PLO #4: Apply knowledge of the purpose, characteristics, and appropriate use of different types of assessments used for special education eligibility, placement, and service selection.

Upon successful completion of this course, students will be able to:

- 1. Lead and effectively participate in collaborative team meetings. (HLP2)
- 2. Describe the importance of establishing rapport with families, along with a recognition of common experiences families face when they navigate the school system when they have a child with a disability.
- 3. Collaborate with individuals or teams (e.g., sharing ideas, active listening, questioning, planning, problem solving, negotiating) to develop and adjust instructional plans based on student data, and the coordination of expectations, responsibilities, and resources to maximize student learning. (HLP 1)
- 4. Demonstrate an understanding of best practices and policy requirements related to transition planning. (DEC-RC TR2)
- 5. Demonstrate the ability to plan for and implement person-centered planning in the development of individualized student transition plans that are appropriate to students' age. (HLP 3)

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* Classroom Protocols

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California Commission on Teacher Credentialing Grading Policy

The California Commission on Teacher Credentialing (CCTC) requires that students complete their credential coursework with a GPA of 3.0 or higher. Students planning on pursuing a teaching credential in ECSE should, therefore, strive to earn a grade of B or higher in all credential coursework.

Departmental Incomplete Policy

It is the policy of the Department of Special Education that students must have completed 80% of the course work assigned in order to qualify for an incomplete in the class. The final arrangements for making up the incomplete grade (i.e., the due date) will be negotiated between the student and faculty member.

University Policies

Per <u>University Policy S16-9</u> (http://www.sjsu.edu/senate/docs/S16-9.pdf), relevant university policy concerning all courses, such as student responsibilities, academic integrity, accommodations, dropping and adding, consent for recording of class, etc. and available student services (e.g. learning assistance, counseling, and other resources) are listed on the <u>Syllabus Information web page</u> (https://www.sjsu.edu/curriculum/courses/syllabus-info.php).

Accommodations for Students with Disabilities

<u>Presidential Directive 97-03</u> requires that students with disabilities requesting accommodations register with the <u>Accessible Education Center</u> (AEC) to establish a record of their disability. AEC will contact the instructor with further details, if needed

If special arrangements are needed in cases of emergency or if the building must be evacuated, please make arrangements with the instructor.

Consent for Recording of Class and Public Sharing of Instructor Material

<u>University Policy S12-7</u> requires students to obtain instructor's permission to record the course. The following criteria define expectations relating to recording a course.

• Course material developed by the instructor is the intellectual property of the instructor and cannot be shared publicly without approval. You may not publicly share or upload instructor generated material

- such as exam questions, lecture notes, or homework solutions without instructor consent. This prohibition includes sharing information with third parties and on websites.
- You must obtain the instructor's permission to make audio or video recordings in class. Such
 permission allows the recordings to be used for your private, study purposes only. The recordings are
 the intellectual property of the instructor; you have not been given any rights to reproduce or distribute
 the material.
- Permission from the instructor, whether in writing or orally, may extend to either a single class or the entire semester.
- In classes where active participation of students or guests may be on the recording, permission of those students or guests must be obtained as well.

Zoom Classroom Etiquette

- Mute your microphone: To help keep background noise to a minimum, make sure you mute your microphone when you are not speaking.
- Be mindful of background noise and distractions: Find a quiet place to "attend" class. To the greatest extent possible:
 - Avoid video setups where people may be walking behind you, people talking/making noise, etc.
 - Avoid activities that could create additional noise, such as shuffling papers, listening to music in the background, etc.
- Position your camera properly: Be sure your webcam is in a stable position and focused at eye level.
- Limit your distractions/avoid multitasking: You can make it easier to focus on the meeting by turning off notifications, closing or minimizing running apps, and putting your smartphone away (unless you are using it to access Zoom)
- Use appropriate virtual backgrounds: If using a virtual background, it should be appropriate and professional and should NOT suggest or include content that is offensive or demeaning.

Program Information

LCOE Department of Special Education Mission

We prepare candidates to be transformative leaders in the field, and lifelong learners who respond to racism, ableism, bigotry, and prejudice in their schools and communities. To this end, we center anti-racist and anti-ableist policies and practices in our teaching, research, and service to disrupt systemic racism that has historically prevented full inclusion and equity for students with disabilities including our BIPOC (Black, Indigenous, People of Color) students, staff, and faculty. We engage culturally sustaining pedagogies and the principles of UDL in our coursework and fieldwork, partnering with our local districts to push for the success of students with disabilities in inclusive settings.

LCOE Department of Special Education Program Learning Outcomes

• PLO 1 Assess and identify the educational needs and strengths of students with disabilities from diverse socioeconomic, cultural and linguistic backgrounds.

- PLO 2 Critically evaluate pedagogy, curricula and instructional materials grounded in quality indicators of evidence-based practices for students with disabilities.
- PLO 3 Plan, design, implement, and monitor linguistically and culturally appropriate instruction that meets the unique needs of students with disabilities.
- PLO 4 Apply knowledge of the purpose, characteristics, and appropriate use of different types of assessments used for special education eligibility, placement, and service selection.
- PLO 5 Utilize research-based knowledge and theoretical, conceptual and evidence-based practices related to individuals with disabilities to improve services and instruction in the field.

<u>Link to Education Specialist TPEs (pps 13 – 42) (https://www.ctc.ca.gov/docs/default-source/educator-</u> prep/standards/education-specialist-standards-pdf.pdf?sfvrsn=729750b1_45)



🖪 Course Materials

Textbook

Murawski, W. W., & Spencer, S. (2011). Collaborate, Communicate, & Differentiate! Corwin.

Other Readings

Acar, S., & Blasco, P. M. (2018). Guidelines for collaborating with interpreters in early intervention/early childhood special education. Young Exceptional Children, 21(3), 170-184. https://doi.org/10.1177/1096250616674516

CA Education Code §51100-51133 (1998).

Doren, B., Gau, J. M., & Lindstrom, L. E. (2012). The relationship between parent expectations and postschool outcomes of adolescents with disabilities. Exceptional Children, 79, 7-23. https://doi.org/ 10.1177/001440291207900101francis

Francis, G.L., Regester, A., & Reed, A.S. (2018). Barriers and supports to parent involvement and collaboration during the transition to adulthood. Career Development and Transition for Exceptional Individuals. https://doi.org/10.1177/2165143418813912

Greene, G. (2017). The emperor has no clothes: Improving the quality and compliance of ITPs. Career Development and Transition for Exceptional Individuals, 3, 146-155. https://doi.org/10.1177/2165143417707205

Lo, L. (2012). Demystifying the IEP process for diverse parents of children with disabilities. *Teaching Exceptional Children*, *44*(3), 14-20. https://doi.org/10.1177/004005991204400302

Morningstar, M.E., Lombardi, A., Fowler, C., & Test, D.W. (2017). A college and career readiness framework for secondary students with disabilities. *Career Development and Transition for Exceptional Individuals*, *40*, 79-91. https://doi.org/10.1177/2165143415589926

Pratt, S. M., Imbody, S. M., Wolf, L. D., & Patterson, A. L. (2017). Co-planning in co-teaching: A practical solution. *Intervention in School and Clinic, 52*(4), 243-249. https://doi.org/10.1177/1053451216659474

Rous, B.S., & Hallam, R. A. (2011). Transition services for young children with disabilities: Research and future directions. *Topics in Early Childhood Special Education, 31*(4), 232-240. https://doi.org/10.1177/0271121411428087

Rowe, D. A., Mazzotti, V. L., Fowler, C. H., Test, D. W., Mitchell, V. J., Clark, K. A., Holzberg, D., Owen, T. L., Rusher, D., Seaman-Tullis, R. L., Gushanas, C. M., Castle, H., Chang, W., Voggt, A., Kwiatek, S., & Dean, C. (2021). Updating the secondary transition research base: Evidence- and research-based practices in functional skills. *Career Development and Transition for Exceptional Individuals, 44*(1), 28-46.

Snyder, P. A., Hemmeter, M. L., & Fox, L. (2015). Supporting implementation of evidence-based practices through practice-based coaching. *Topics in Early Childhood Special Education, 35*(3), 133-143. https://doi.org/10.1177/0271121415594925

Test, D.W., Clark, K.A., & Rusher, D.E. (2018). Transition from high school to adulthood. *New Directions for Adult and Continuing Education*, *160*, 25-38. https://doi.org/10.1002/ace.20297

Turnbull, A. P., & Turnbull, H. R. (2002). From the old to the new paradigm of disability and families: Research to enhance family quality of life outcomes. In J. L. Paul, C. D. Lavely, A. Cranston-Gingras, & E. L. Taylor (Eds.), *Rethinking professional issues in special education* (pp. 83-117). Westport, CT: Greenwood Publishing Group, Inc. Retrieved from:

 $https://kuscholarworks.ku.edu/bitstream/handle/1808/6056/FQL6_From\%20the\%20old\%20to\%20the\%20new\%20paradigm.pdf?sequence=1\&isAllowed=y$

Waters, C. L., & Friesen, A. (2019). Parent experiences of raising a young child with multiple disabilities: The transition to preschool. *Research and Practice for Persons with Severe Disabilities, 44*(1), 20-36. https://doi.org/10.1177/1540796919826229

Other Resources

- Council for Exceptional Children website: exceptionalchildren.org
- National Technical Assistance Center on Transition website: transitionta.org
- <u>Center for Parent Information and Resources website</u>: parentcenterhub.org

Course Requirements and Assignments

Success in this course is based on the expectation that students will spend, for each unit of credit, a minimum of 45 hours over the length of the course (normally three hours per unit per week) for instruction, preparation/studying, or course related activities, including but not limited to internships, labs, and clinical practica. Other course structures will have equivalent workload expectations as described in the syllabus.

ASSIGNMENTS	POINTS	PERCENTAGE
Parent interview and reflection	100	29%
Collaboration Project	100	29%
Online Transition modules	50	14%
Classroom Assignments	50	14%
Online Session Assignments	50	14%
TOTAL	350	100%

1. Parent interview and reflection (100 pts)

Addresses the following TPEs: U1.2, ECSE1.5, ECSE2.2, ECSE 6.5, ECSE6.2, ECSE 6.14, ECSE 6.15,ESN 1.5, ESN 2.4, ESN 6.1, M/M 2.4, M/M6.5

Collaborating with parents, family members, and guardians is an essential component of your future job. In addition to the regular parent-teacher communication needs, in special education parents often are experiencing a wide range of emotions while navigating a confusing bureaucracy. It is your job to help them understand this system so that they can become active participants of the IEP team.

You will need to interview a parent of a child with a disability. The structure of the interview and questions to ask will be discussed in class. After the interview, you will be asked to reflect on the interview, using the template provided and connecting your reflection with the material covered in our text.

2. Online Session Assignments (5X10=50 points total)

Students will respond to questions after completing online work assigned on Canvas

3. 3. Classroom Assignments (5X10=50 points total)

Students will work in groups in class to complete projects, presentations, quizzes, and other tasks.

4. Collaboration Experience Assignments (100 pts total)

Addresses the following TPEs: U3.4, U4.6, ECSE1.5, ECSE2.2, ECSE3.8, ECSE 4.9, ECSE 6.5, ECSE6.1, ECSE 6.11, ECSE6.12, ESN 1.11, ESN 1.11, ESN 2.4, ESN 4.7, M/M 2.4, M/M 2.7, M/M 4.6

Students will work in pairs throughout the semester to deepen their understanding of the importance of collaboration while developing the skills needed to collaborate with a variety of stakeholders. You will work withyour assigned partner as you develop your skills in collaboration. Given the different nature of the credentials, assignments will differ slightly for M/M and ECSE students, and will include:

Phase 1

1. Revisiting CA curricular frameworks

Deliverable. Identify what content you want to teach

1. Identifyinguniqueneedsoffocusstudents(onewithdisabilities;oneemergentbilingual)

Deliverable: Getting to Know You Template for Focus Students with:

- current proficiency in reading, writing, and speaking/listening in English and mastery of the primary language
- prior academic knowledge related to the specific content you plan to teach
- social identity (student self-concept derived from a perceived membership in a social group that is evident in classroom interactions)
- cultural and linguistic resources and funds of knowledge
- prior experiences and interests related to the content you plan to teach
- developmental considerations (e.g., social-emotional, typical and atypical child/adolescent development)

Phase 2

1. Collaboratingtoaddfurtherelementsof co-teaching, UDL, differentiation, and inclusive design

Deliverable: Step 1 of Lesson Plan Template

To add co-teaching to the Lesson Plan Template, add the following details to lesson plan template:

How would you modify the lesson for co-teaching? What would the GE teacher be able to do? The SE teacher? How would specially designed instruction be embedded to address the targeted IEP goals? How would accommodations be enacted for students with IEPs? How would you incorporate paraeducators into the lesson plan

Assign members to sections of the lesson plan and develop the lesson plan collaboratively

Phase 3

- 1. Having a GE teacher evaluate the connection to standards and pedagogical practices in the appropriate discipline
- 2. Having another group in class evaluate the lesson plan and provide feedback
- 3. Reflect on feedback from the group and GE teacher

Deliverables:

- 1) signed general education teacher and group feedback on the lesson plan
- 2) Reflection paper (1-2 pages) on feedback from the group and GE teacher
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5. Online Transition Modules (2X25=50 pts)

Addresses the following TPEs: U4.5, ECSE1.11, ECSE 6.8, ESN 1.10, ESN 2.10, ESN 4.8, M/M 1.6, M/M 5.3

Online Transition Module 1.

As we return our attention to issues related to transition, students will complete one of two online modules based on their credential pathways:

- ECSE students will complete a module from Project CONNECT
- MM and ESN students will complete a module from IRIS

Detailed instructions will be included on Canvas regarding what you will be expected to turn in upon completion of the module.

Online Transition Module 2

Students will complete the online modules from TransitionCoalition.org; Sessions 1, 2, and 3

Using the link:

https://transitioncoalition.org/online-modules/ (Submit screenshots of quizzes on Canvas



Grading Information

Grading Policy

All written assignments must meet standards of academic and professional quality. Unless so stated, all written assignments must be typed, paginated, and free of spelling and grammatical errors. You must cite all referenced work using APA guidelines for citation and referencing.

Every member of a group will receive the same grade (unless a group member is absent - in which case that member will not receive points for the assignment). Be sure to check your group member's contributions before submitting the assignment!

Grade Conversion Table

Grade	Percent	Grade	Percent	Grade	Percent
A+	97 or above	A	93 up to 97	A-	90 up to 93
B+	87 up to 90	В	83 up to 87	B-	80 up to 83

C+	77 up to 80	С	73 up to 77	C-	70 up to 73
D+	67 up to 70	D	63 up to 67	D-	60 up to 63
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Course Schedule

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WEEK DATE MODE	TOPICS	READINGS	ASSIGNMENTS
1 Jan 24 ONLINE	 Introductions/syllabus review Collaboration and transition: Why this is the most important class in the program Developing group norms 		
2 Jan 31	Foundations for transition and collaboration	Ch 1, 2	Classroom Assignment 1

3 Feb 7 ONLINE	 Working in Teams IEP one Page Summary Getting input from all Team Members 	Ch 3 Acar & Blasco (2018)	Online Session Assignment 1
4 Feb 14	 Working with Families Prepping for parent interview Parental Safegaurds 	CA Education Code §51100- 51133 (1998) Doren et al. (2012) Lo (2012) Turnbull & Turnbull (2002)	Classroom Assignment 2
5 Feb 21 ONLINE	Interpersonal collaboration	Ch 4	Online Session Assignment 2 Collaboration Phase 1 due
6 Feb 28	Difficult interactionsEstablishing parity	Ch 9	Classroom Assignment 3
7 March 6 ONLINE	Working with paraprofessionalsPractice-based coaching	Snyder et al. (2015)	Online Session Assignment 3 Parent Interview and reflection due

8 March 13	Introduction to co-teachingCo-teaching for equity	Ch 7, 8	Classroom Assignment 4
9 March 20 ONLINE	Co-teaching + lesson planningDifferentiating Instruction	Ch 5, 6 Pratt et al. (2017)	Online Session Assignment 4
10 March 27	In class work time for second phase of collaboration assignment		
11 April 3 SPRING BREAK	Spring Break		

12 April 10	 Introduction to transition policies and evidence-based practices 	Morningstar et al. (2017) Explore NTACT; ECTA	Classroom Assignment 5 Collaboration Phase 2 Due
13 April 17 ONLINE	Evidence-based practices for transition		Online Transition Module 1: Collaboration project – Phase 2 due Online Session Assignment 5

WEEK	TOPICS	READINGS	ASSIGNMENTS
DATE			
MODE			
14 April 24	Collaboration in transitionWriting the transition plan	Greene (2018)	Classroom Assignment 6

15 May 1 ONLINE	Collaboration for transition	TransitionCoalition.org Modules: Session 1,2, and 3; https://transitioncoalition.org/online-modules/ (Submit screen shots of quizzes on Canvas)
16 May 8	Work Week	Work on Collaboration Project
Final Exam	NO CLASS SESSION	Collaboration project - Phase 3