Psychology of Educators
GEC1000 Section 5656
Time: Monday, Wednesday, and Friday 2nd Period (8:30-9:20)
Location: Weimer Hall 1085
Spring 2015

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Course Description
The psychology of educators is the scientific study of what motivates the style of information dissemination. The course content will include analysis and implementation of assessment techniques, lecture style, public speaking skills, and communication with students.

Course Objectives
Students will apply formal and informal qualitative or quantitative analysis to examine the processes and means by which individuals make personal and group decisions, as well as the evaluation of opinions, outcomes or human behavior. Students are expected to assess and analyze ethical perspectives in individual and societal decisions.

These objectives will be accomplished through:
1. Evaluation of how individual personality affects teaching style.
2. Critique of how different social institutions foster predictable design of education that is unique to the type of institution. For example, university vs. high school education design.
3. Assessment of how social acceptance of certain education techniques has varied with time.
4. Discussion of the relationship between personal beliefs and methodologies of education.
5. Evaluation of the ethicality of controversial styles of dissemination of information.

Include a course title, instructor’s contact information including office location, telephone number, and email address; TA contact information if applicable. Also include office hours for the instructor (and TA if applicable) during which students may meet with the instructor(s)

Include course objectives and/or goals
Required Textbooks

Recommended Materials

Course Schedule
Week 1: Introduction to course
Week 2: Personality in education
  - Read chapters x-x in Personality Theories
Week 3: Teaching techniques
  - Read chapters x-x in Early Childhood Education Today
  - Essay Response 1 due 1/20
Week 4: Social context
  - Read chapters x-x in Personality Theories
Week 5: Institutional variation
  - Read chapters x-x in Early Childhood Education Today
  - Quiz 1 on 2/3
Week 6: Administrative pressures
  - Read chapters x-x in Personality Theories
Week 7: Change in style with time
  - Read chapters x-x in Early Childhood Education Today
  - Essay Response 2 due 2/17
Week 8: Ethical matters
  - Midterm exam on 2/24
Week 9: Gender in education
  - Read chapters x-x in Personality Theories
SPRING BREAK
Week 10: Popular teaching tactics
  - Read chapters x-x in Personality Theories
  - Quiz 2 on 3/17
Week 11: Ineffective teaching styles
  - Read chapters x-x in Early Childhood Education Today
Week 12: Charisma in education
  - Read chapters x-x in Early Childhood Education Today
  - Quiz 3 on 3/31
Week 13: Age of educators
  - Read chapters x-x in Personality Theories
Week 14: Variations in subpopulations
  - Read chapters x-x in Personality Theories
  - Essay response 3 due 4/14
Week 15: REVIEW
Week 16 Reading days
  - Final Exam 4/30
Evaluation of Grades

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More information on grades and grading policies is here: https://catalog.ufl.edu/ugrad/current/regulations/info/grades.aspx

Class Attendance and Make-Up Policy

Class attendance is expected. Each unexcused absence will result in a 10 point reduction in the final grade. Excused absences are consistent with university policies in the undergraduate catalog (https://catalog.ufl.edu/ugrad/current/regulations/info/attendance.aspx) and require appropriate documentation.

Late essay response papers will not be accepted. A makeup midterm and makeup final exam will be provided for students who miss either exam due to extreme, documented circumstances. A cumulative make-up quiz will be provided at the end of the semester for any and all quizzes missed. This score will replace all missing quiz grades. Students should arrange with the instructor for makeup material, and the student will receive one week to prepare for any makeup assignment, if circumstances allow it.

Include the methods by which students will be evaluated and their grade determined

Include information on current UF grading policies for assigning grade points

Note: This grading scale is only an example, and should not dictate the scale or weights chosen for a course.

Include a statement related to class attendance, make-up exams and other work
Students Requiring Accommodations
Students with disabilities requesting accommodations should first register with the Disability Resource Center (352-392-8565, www.dso.ufl.edu/drc/) by providing appropriate documentation. Once registered, students will receive an accommodation letter which must be presented to the instructor when requesting accommodation. Students with disabilities should follow this procedure as early as possible in the semester.

Course Evaluation
Students are expected to provide feedback on the quality of instruction in this course by completing online evaluations at https://evaluations.ufl.edu. Evaluations are typically open during the last two or three weeks of the semester, but students will be given specific times when they are open. Summary results of these assessments are available to students at https://evaluations.ufl.edu/results/.

Class Demeanor
Students are expected to arrive to class on time and behave in a manner that is respectful to the instructor and to fellow students. Please avoid the use of cell phones and restrict eating to outside of the classroom. Opinions held by other students should be respected in discussion, and conversations that do not contribute to the discussion should be held at minimum, if at all.

Materials and Supplies Fees
There are no additional fees for this course.

University Honesty Policy
UF students are bound by The Honor Pledge which states, “We, the members of the University of Florida community, pledge to hold ourselves and our peers to the highest standards of honor and integrity by abiding by the Honor Code. On all work submitted for credit by students at the University of Florida, the following pledge is either required or implied: “On my honor, I have neither given nor received unauthorized aid in doing this assignment.” The Honor Code (https://www.dso.ufl.edu/sccr/process/student-conduct-honor-code/) specifies a number of behaviors that are in violation of this code and the possible sanctions. Furthermore, you are obligated to report any condition that facilitates academic misconduct to appropriate personnel. If you have any questions or concerns, please consult with the instructor or TAs in this class.

Counseling and Wellness Center
Contact information for the Counseling and Wellness Center: http://www.counseling.ufl.edu/cwc/Default.aspx, 392-1575; and the University Police Department: 392-1111 or 9-1-1 for emergencies.