## **Education (EDUC)**

## EDUC 001 Introduction to Teaching

(3)

Class Hours: 54 Lecture Advisory(s): ENG 051A Transfers to: UC/CSU C-ID: EDUC 200

Introduction to Teaching

EDUC 001 introduces students to the concepts and issues related to teaching diverse learners in today's contemporary schools, Kindergarten through grade 12 (K-12). Topics include teaching as a profession and career, historical and philosophical foundations of the American education system, contemporary educational issues, California's content standards and frameworks, and teacher performance standards. In addition to class time, the course requires a minimum of 45 hours of structured fieldwork in public school elementary classrooms that represent California's diverse student population, and includes cooperation with at least one carefully selected and campus-approved certificated classroom teacher.

## **EDUC 005** Critical Think. in the Classrm

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Class Hours: 54 Lecture
Prerequisite(s): ENG 051A
Advisory(s): EDUC 001
Transfers to: CSU

Critical Thinking in the Classroom

EDUC 005 is a critical thinking class intended for students who are considering teaching as a profession. Principles and methods of critical thinking such as identifying arguments, developing reasoning skills, and identifying common fallacies are blended with applications of these concepts into a K-12 classroom environment.

## **EDUC 015X Educational Work Experience**

(1 - 8)

Class Hours: Lecture
Transfers to: CSU
Educational Work Experience

EDUC 015X Cooperative Work Experience Education (CWEE) develops skills and knowledge by integrating classroom study with planned, supervised work experience. It is based on the principle that well educated individuals develop most effectively through an educational plan that incorporates work experience. Through these structured experiences, the students enrich their college studies, which enhance their total development. Educational Work Experience is supervised employment which is intended to assist students in acquiring desirable work habits, attitudes and career awareness in the field of the student's major. Students may earn up to 8 units per semester for a maximum of 16 total units. Credits are awarded for paid or voluntary work. For every 75 hours of paid work completed within the semester, 1 unit of credit is awarded. For every 60 hours of volunteer work completed within the semester, 1 unit of credit is awarded. Educational Work Experience credits are counted as electives toward an Associate of Arts (AA) degree at West Hills College and are transferable to four year universities (for specific transfer eligibility, please contact an advisor).