INSTRUCTIONAL STRATEGIES IN SECONDARY PHYSICAL EDUCATION
HHP 301

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TR 8:10 – 9:30 am
FRC Gym 1 (main floor)
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Purpose:
The course is designed to provide prospective teachers the skills necessary to be effective
Middle School and Secondary School Physical Education (Health Enhancement) teachers
in public and private schools. Theoretical knowledge will be gained from the readings,
discussions, and lectures. Practical applications will be gained from micro teaching
sessions and guest lectures. Public school visitations and lesson planning will also add to
the practical experience. At the end of the semester the student should be able to:

- Demonstrate effective station teaching skills
- Demonstrate effective demonstration teaching skills
- Demonstrate the ability to effectively execute the Fitnessgram
- Design an effective discipline policy for secondary students
- Design an effective grading criteria for secondary students

This class, upon successful completion, satisfies the upper division writing course
requirement. At the end of the semester the student should be able to:

- Find, evaluate, and synthesize information effectively from diverse sources
- Pursue important Physical Education questions for academic inquiry
- Use multiple drafts, revision, and editing in conducting inquiry and preparing
  written work
- Follow the conventions of citation, documentation, and formal presentation
  appropriate to Physical Education
- Develop competence in information technology and digital literacy

Students will be expected to produce or purchase a pedometer for exercises in class and
use during the daily activities. Students will be expected to purchase the faculty pack for
reference articles, charts, and use during the course. Any class meetings marked with an
* or # must be attended. If you miss and asterisk or pound day, excused or unexcused,
you will lose 4 points from your final point count. Example 3 absences = 12 points
deducted from final point total.
**Student Conduct Code:** *All students must practice academic honesty. Academic misconduct is subject to an academic penalty by the course instructor and/or a disciplinary sanction by the University. All students need to be familiar with the Student Conduct Code. The Code is available for review online at http://www.umt.edu/SA/VPSA/index.cfm/page/1321*

**American with Disabilities Act:** *The University of Montana upholds the ADA by providing reasonable accommodations to individuals with disabilities. If any student requires reasonable accommodations to adequately perform the duties of the class, please see the instructor during the first week of class to make plans for specific modifications.*

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**Point Distribution**

*T eaching assignments*
- Test 1 40 points
- Demonstration teaching 25
- Demonstration lesson plan 15
- Station teaching 25
- Station teaching cards 15
- Service learning 10 points

*F ormal writing assignments*
- Visitation paper Middle School 10 points
- Visitation paper Secondary School 10
- Why I… 1st draft 25
- Why I…. final draft 25
- Effective Teaching 1st draft 25
- Effective Teaching final paper 25
- What is Fun in PE class? 50 points

**Total points:** 300 points

*Grade evaluation:*
- 279-300 = A
- 261-269 = B+
- 231-239 = C+
- 278-280 = A-
- 249-260 = B
- 240-248 = B-
FREE WRITING

Nine of the classroom sessions will begin with a written reaction/comment to a question/comment proposed by the teacher. The written answer/reaction session will last approximately 15-20 minutes. During the exercise I will provide you with a question or comment and ask you to write a response/reaction to the statement. The writing will not be graded or formally evaluated. The purpose is to allow written expression and communication from which we will initiate our lecture discussion for the day. Notebooks will be provided and all free writing assignments will be made and saved in the notebook.

ARTICLES

Journal articles will be assigned for reading. Students will come to class prepared to discuss the assigned journal articles. To encourage preparation and discussion, students will be allowed to take notes from the articles on the distributed 5x7 index cards. There will be a maximum of two cards for each article. On the cards write the name of the article and author as well as the main points of the article, interesting concepts, and questions for discussion. Use the cards for our class discussion. I will collect the cards at the end of the class day and return them to you the day of the test and you may use the cards for the in class portion of the test, so it is worthwhile to prepare detailed cards. No cards may be turned in the days after article discussions. The cards will not be graded. They may be in outline or narrative form.

VISITATIONS

Middle School visitation due 3/20/12
Secondary School visitation paper due 4/12/12

Each student will visit a Middle and Secondary School health Enhancement class during the semester. A short visitation reaction paper of no less than 350 typed words summarizing each of the visits will be handed in during the assigned dates above. Please print the word count at the end of the paper. The paper should include the significant events of the visit. You may include such events as the roll call method, any management techniques, any discipline events, organization skills, time on task, teacher rapport with the class, lesson focus, any instructional skills, any demonstration techniques, and any other significant events. Do not hesitate to add any other categories to the paper that you felt were noteworthy. Do not evaluate or criticize the lesson since that is not the intent or your job. No value statements either, just report what you saw. You may find it worthwhile to talk with the teacher for a few minutes if possible and ask about their grading policy, why they entered teaching, their overall approach to teaching, and why they enjoy teaching. You may also
ask about their goals, their overall philosophy, and why they feel they have been successful over the years. Again, try not to be judgmental and determine what was good or bad. Just state what you saw and try to be objective. It is advisable to make a list of questions or events and check these off during the visitation and conference. You will do one paper for the middle school and one paper for the high school. You cannot use our scheduled class visit as the visitation. Submit your paper electronically. I prefer an email attachment. You should include a topic “HHP 301 observation” so the email does not go to junkmail. Papers are due by 9:30 am of the due date. I will send you an email confirmation of the paper within 2 days.

**Why I…. paper**

1st draft due 2/12/12  
final due 2/21/12

This paper will consist of 650 words minimum. Please print your word count at the end of the paper. In this paper you will state the reasons you want to become a licensed teacher. Appropriate topics may include your teaching approach or so called philosophy, your career goals, and or some of your daily goals, your overall outlook, or your mantra on life within teaching. You may also add the impact you feel you will make on kids, and the level you want to teach. It also should include WHY I should hire you. What do you have to offer this school? You may include your willingness to coach or provide any other after school contributions. The paper should be written as if it is a philosophy of why a school system should hire you, things you would put in a cover letter, and your approach to teaching all in one. Four points will be deducted for each day the paper is late. Papers are due at 9:30 am of the due date.

**EFFECTIVE TEACHING paper**

In this paper you will discuss the ingredients of effective teaching. Approach the topic of effective teaching as a question: What is effective teaching? This paper is to include 100 words minimum. Place the printed word count at the end of the paper. You are encouraged to cover approximately 4 major points or concepts. Also, there should or could be 2-3-4 subdivisions in each of the four major topics. This paper is to contain citations from refereed journals, dissertations, and/or periodicals. It is not an opinion paper, but a research paper backed by evidence. The style should be the APA style of writing. In this paper you will discuss what makes up effective teaching, how to attain it, and why certain teaching is considered effective. You may also approach this topic and reveal what makes a successful lesson? Gear your answer toward a public school level such as middle school or high school and make your paper relevant to your preferred level. Include a bibliography at the end of the paper. This is a formal research paper.
There is no maximum number of references, but there must be at least 6 citations from outside sources. Four points will be deducted for each day the paper is late. Papers are due at 9:30 am of the due date.

FUN paper

In this paper you will discuss what is fun in a middle school or high school PE lesson. Fun can be defined as why students enjoyed the class or why they want to continue to play? What makes PE enjoyable? Why do kids leave PE smiling most days? You are allowed to use research and personal stories. There should be close to a 50% combination of the two sources. Use both sources. Use journal articles, textbooks, and published writings and also use interviews, personal experiences, and some opinion. Try to come up with 4-5-6 major themes or reasons or conditions that make PE fun. This paper is 600 words minimum. Please print your word count at the end of your paper. There should be at least 3 references from each of the 2 resource areas for a total of 6. Four points will be deducted for each day the paper is late. Papers are due at 9:30 am of the due date.
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* = meet in the FRC  
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