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IMPORTANT:

For student policies and procedures relating to assessment, attendance and student support, please see website, <https://education.arts.unsw.edu.au/students/courses/course-outlines/>

The School of Education acknowledges the Bedegal people as the traditional custodians of the lands upon which we learn and teach.

STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES

Outcome		Assessment/s
1	Identify and describe the learning strengths and needs of students from diverse linguistic, cultural, religious and socioeconomic backgrounds and the implications for teaching.	1,2
2	Follow the key principles described in codes of ethics and conduct for the teaching profession, and the relevant legislative, administrative and organisational policies and processes required for teachers according to school stage.	1,2

AUSTRALIAN PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS FOR TEACHERS

Standard	Assessment/s
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5. TEACHING STRATEGIES

Professional engagement consists of structured observations and activities that allow Teacher Education Students to engage with teaching and learning in an educational setting. The orientation and online forum are designed to support this engagement. These activities will occur in a climate that is supportive and inclusive of all learners.

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Assessment task 1: Teaching assistance and forum posts

Description:

During your fieldwork as a teaching assistant you will support a regular classroom teacher and observe how students learn, how literacy and numeracy skills develop, how effective teachers work with their students and how schools function as organisations. You will be asked to work with small groups of students or individuals within the classroom or in a homework club. You will also have the opportunity to observe your classroom teacher/s, and will conduct a range of informal observations focused on the Australian Professional Standards for Teachers. You will post your responses to **seven different Question and Answer forums** on the course Moodle **and reply to at least one other post from another student in each of the seven forums**. The completion of the forum posts and responses is a hurdle requirement so you will not pass this course **unless you post to each of the seven forums** and write a response to **at least one other post from another student in each of the seven forums**.

Assessment task 2: Evidence of Professionalism Report

Description:

As a Teacher Education Student you are required to act in a professional manner at all times during the fieldwork placement. This includes maintaining satisfactory attendance, being punctual, dressing appropriately, cooperating with staff, demonstrating high-level language, literacy and numeracy skills, undertaking a range of structured observations, participating actively in class, working collaboratively in the school environment and demonstrating attitudes and actions that are appropriate and aligned with the core standards and codes of conduct in the teaching profession. Evidence of professionalism is a **hurdle requirement** and is assessed by the Cooperating teacher.

The [Evidence of Professionalism Report](#) is the responsibility of the Cooperating teacher(s). The report is written collaboratively where there are two or more cooperating Teachers. This report needs to be discussed with the Teacher Education Student prior to it being signed. The report should be consistent with strengths/areas for concern discussed throughout the Professional Engagement placement. The Cooperating teacher/s will assess each Teacher Education Student against the Graduate Teacher Standard descriptors included here as well as the key attributes. The teacher education student will build their understanding of the selected graduate standard descriptors through participation in online forums as well as through observation of teaching whilst on this experience. The teacher education student should be able to discuss their understanding of these descriptors when you ask them. For each standard descriptor and key attribute, the level of achievement is assessed as:

ND: Not Demonstrated

WT: Working Towards

D: Demonstrated

The Cooperating teacher/s is also asked to provide a qualitative comment on the degree of professional engagement the Teacher Education Student demonstrated during the 15 days of Professional Engagement placement.

The overall result for EDST 2002 is graded Satisfactory or Unsatisfactory.

It is your responsibility as the student to ensure the