DEPARTMENT OF TEACHER EDUCATION AND ADMINISTRATION:
Preparing Tomorrow’s Educators and Scholars

The Department of Teacher Education and Administration seeks to improve educational practice through the generation of knowledge and to prepare education professionals who serve all students in an effective, inclusive and equitable manner. Its focus is on the preparation of highly competent educators, researchers and administrators who employ current theory and research as they fill these important roles.

Mission
The Department of Teacher Education and Administration integrates theory, research, and practice to generate knowledge and to develop educational leaders who advance the potential of all learners.

Vision
We aspire to be internationally recognized for developing visionary educators who provide leadership, promote social justice, and effectively educate all learners.

CATALOGUE DESCRIPTION
This course is devoted to exploring the relationships between education, culture, and society. It will focus on structures of social and educational inequality, as they relate to race, class, and gender; processes of power and control in education, as they are expressed in curriculum, policy, and pedagogy; education as a process of social and cultural reproduction; and teaching as a form of intervention in these processes.

COURSE GOALS
- Analyze how social structures of race, class, gender, (dis)ability, and sexual orientation work to create relations that privilege some and deny opportunity to others.
- Evaluate and interpret the ways in which schooling influences and is influenced by equity issues.
- Understand how cultural groups and students’ cultural identities affect language learning and school achievement.
- Develop teaching strategies that challenge unjust social structures and allow all young people to learn and grow into citizens who will be actively involved in this democracy.

CLASS TIME/LOCATION
Day/Time: Monday 2:00-4:50pm
Location: Wooten Hall Room 217

REQUIRED TEXTBOOKS (PURCHASE ASAP)
TBD (See Canvas)

CLASS CANCELLATIONS/POSTPONEMENTS/NOTIFICATIONS
In the event a class session needs to be cancelled and/or postponed, you will receive a notification from me via Canvas Announcement. Please enable Canvas notifications for Announcements on your mobile device, and check Canvas each day before leaving for class.
ATTENDANCE POLICY

Since this class meets only once per week, in-person attendance in this class is REQUIRED and NECESSARY. Our time in class will consist of small group and whole class discussion, as well as critical learning with respect to the key content and concepts. You are a VITAL part of this learning community, and your contributions are part of the knowledge that we will create in our classroom. Please attend all classes and arrive on time!

The following attendance polices are in effect for this section of EDEE 1010:

- **First In-Person Absence**: You are provided with ONE absence (excused or unexcused) without grade penalty, but you still must notify the professor and complete/submit assignments on their designated due dates.

- **Second and Third In-Person Absences**: You will receive an automatic FINAL grade C if you miss two (2) in-person classes; D if you miss three (3) in-person classes; or F if you miss four (4) or more in-person class sessions (excused or unexcused). You will need to retake the class in the future to receive credit towards your degree plan if you receive a D or F. Retaking the class could delay your graduation and affect your financial aid. **Note**: If you have extenuating circumstances supported by legal, official documentation provided via the Dean of Students office, the professor may make exceptions to the policy for a second (2nd) or third (3rd) absence by assigning appropriate make-up work. **FOUR (4) absences will NOT be excused under any circumstances**.

- **Tardiness**: If you are late to class due to weather or unforeseen circumstances once or twice, that is completely acceptable and reasonable. However, if you are chronically tardy (late arrival three or more times), one or more full letter grades will be deducted from your final grade at the professor’s discretion.

- **Attendance Reporting**: It is YOUR responsibility to sign the attendance sheet AND email the professor about your absences.

- **Make Up Work**: Please do not ask the instructor about what you missed in class while absent. Check Canvas for readings, videos, book chapters, assignments, and PPT presentations.

University Excused Absences:

- Religious holy day, including travel for that purpose
- Active military service, including travel for that purpose
- Participation in an official university function
- Illness or other extenuating circumstances
- Pregnancy and parenting under Title IX

If you need help generating/providing official documentation for your absence from the Dean of Students:

- Contact the Dean of Students Office via phone: 940-565-2648 or via email: deanofstudents@unt.edu
- [Dean of Students Website](#)

PLEASE NOTE: It is truly unfair to expect or demand exceptions to the attendance policies outlined, above. To maintain the integrity of the coursework/content of our Teacher Education program, and to avoid placing me in situations where my compassion and kindness are exploited or taken advantage of, you must follow the attendance policy as written. That being said, I reserve the right to excuse absences for reasons not listed above. **Also**: Inability to find a parking space and having to work are not considered excused absences. LOT 20 on the Denton Campus always has abundant parking available! There is a safe, convenient bus from Lot 20 to the Wooten Hall area if you do not want to walk! [Please check the UNT Transportation Services website](#)!
# Class Schedule: Fall 2023 (Subject to Change as Needed)

**Major Assignments Highlighted in Yellow**

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<td>8/21 Introduction</td>
<td>DUE: Activities in Canvas by Sunday, 8/27</td>
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<td>2</td>
<td>8/28 Course Overview</td>
<td>Course Overview/Community Building/Unpacking Identity</td>
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<td>9/4 Labor Day (No Class Session)</td>
<td>DUE: Please purchase the required textbooks! The first reading assignment is due 9/18.</td>
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<td>9/11 Online Learning Experience</td>
<td>DUE: Preview Assignment in Canvas by midnight on Sunday 9/17</td>
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<td>5</td>
<td>9/18 Understanding Race/Implicit Bias</td>
<td>READ: TBD</td>
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<td>9/25 Words Always Matter</td>
<td>Book Study Session</td>
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<td>10/2 Identity in American Education</td>
<td>DUE: <strong>Reflection Journal #1</strong> in Canvas by midnight on Sunday 10/8</td>
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**Core Commitment Focus: Identity**

*We are individuals with cultural histories, knowledge, talents, and interests that we use as resources in our teaching.*

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<td>10/9 Restorative Justice and Teaching Practices</td>
<td>READ: TBD</td>
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<td>9</td>
<td>10/16 Dispositions Inventory Conferences</td>
<td>You will be signing up for an in-person conference, and you will only need to attend class during your scheduled conference time on this day.</td>
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<td>10</td>
<td>10/23 Dispositions Inventory Conferences</td>
<td>You will be signing up for an in-person conference, and you will only need to attend class during your scheduled conference time on this day.</td>
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**Core Commitment Focus: Inquiry**

*We are intellectuals with a deep understanding of academic content, curriculum development, and flexible pedagogies.*

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<td>10/30 Social Class and Privilege</td>
<td>READ: TBD</td>
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<td>11/6 Immigration, Religion, and Xenophobia</td>
<td>DUE: <strong>Reflection Journal #2</strong> in Canvas by midnight on Sunday 11/12</td>
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**Core Commitment Focus: Community**

*We are members of multiple communities-connected in ways that make our successes intertwined.*

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<td>11/13 Universal Design for Learning (UDL)</td>
<td>READ: TBD</td>
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<td>14</td>
<td>11/20 Thanksgiving (No Class Session)</td>
<td>DUE: <strong>Taking Action and Doing the Work</strong> in Canvas by midnight on Sunday 11/26</td>
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<td>15</td>
<td>11/27 Moving Toward Liberation</td>
<td>READ: TBD</td>
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<td>16</td>
<td>12/4 Moving Toward Liberation</td>
<td>DUE: <strong>Final Introspective Analysis Presentation</strong> in Canvas by midnight on Sunday, 12/3</td>
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<td>17</td>
<td>12/11 Final Exam Week</td>
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ADDITIONAL COURSE TOPICS

- Technology Apps and Adaptive Technology for Students with Exceptional Needs
- Trauma Informed Teaching Practices
- Teaching Students About Immigration
- Assessment Equity and Bias
- Bullying/Kindness
- Social Emotional Learning (SEL)
- Race and Schooling

COURSE ASSIGNMENT DESCRIPTIONS

**Autobiographical Reflection Journals** (25%): Following certain class sessions you will complete a journal reflection on the readings, discussions, and your learning/unlearning and how these things connect with your personal/autobiographical experiences in K-12 education. Your reflections must be a minimum of two (2) pages typed, double-spaced, 12pt font.

**Book Study Participation** (40%): With your PLC group, you will engage in several book study sessions during class throughout the semester to discuss the required texts. If you are present in class during Book Study sessions and actively lead or contribute in the discussion, you will automatically receive credit for participation. If you have an excused absence from class, you must complete and submit the make-up assignment in Canvas within one (1) week of your absence. Please see attendance policy.

**Taking Action and Doing the Work** (15%): You will read TBD at your leisure throughout the semester. Upon completion, you will select four (4) chapters from the book and complete the activities located at the end of each chapter. Then, you will explain why you selected these activities and how they might look in your future classroom. This will be shared with your PLC group class AND submitted in Canvas.

**Final Introspective Analysis Presentation** (20%): You will deeply analyze what you have learned/unlearned in this course and how it will impact your future teaching practice as well as your understanding of how children learn and engage in activism. This “unlearning” activity must be presented as media, art, audio, visual, or kinesthetic, lesson activity, etc. NO PAPERS!

**Dispositions Inventory** (0%): Students will complete a dispositions inventory reflecting on their dispositions as a future educator. Information about this inventory (which takes place as a one-on-one conference with the instructor) will be provided in class. It is REQUIRED but does not count towards your final grade.

**GRADING**

A: 90-100% Exemplary. The student performs well above and beyond the minimum criteria.
B: 80-89% Proficient. The student performs slightly above the minimum criteria.
C: 70-79% Average. The student meets the minimum criteria.
D: 60-69% Below Average. The student does not meet the minimum criteria.
F: 0-59% Improvement Required. The student does not complete the coursework.

**PROFESSIONAL BEHAVIOR IN CLASS**

Teachers must exhibit a high degree of professional behavior to best meet the needs of their students. As a preservice teacher, it is essential to begin practicing what will be expected of you as an in-service teacher including reliability, responsibility, flexibility, punctuality, integrity, and ability to work efficiently and productively with your colleagues. This includes engagement and participation during all learning activities, online discussions about content and readings, performance tasks, informal presentations, interaction/communication with peers, professors, and guest speakers, cultural responsiveness, awareness of impact on others, and overall professional behavior.

If you engage in unprofessional behavior including (but is not limited to) working on unrelated assignments during class, non-participation in class, lack of communication regarding absences, and disrespectful/confrontational interactions with peers and professor, I reserve the right to deduct one or more letter grades from your final grade and/or refer you to the Dean of Students for Code of Conduct violations.
A note on Artificial Intelligence (AI) and Plagiarism: Your credibility as a writer and student relies on both generating your own ideas in your own words and giving attribution (credit) to sources. AI is increasingly available and will undoubtedly be part of your career. Therefore, understanding its uses without depending on it is an essential skill. That distinction, and strong writing itself, relies on critical thinking and employing strategies to develop ideas and assess arguments. While some assignments may invite the use of online tools, the core expectation for our class is that the work you submit is your own original writing. Using the work of someone else including AI and without citing it is a form of cheating/plagiarism.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Accessibility. I expect that students in our class will have a variety of physical, mental, sensorial and emotional ways of being, learning, and engaging in the classroom. I encourage you to privately discuss your specific needs with me as soon as possible in order to make the classroom and the course more accessible.

Name. As a UNT student, you are able to change how your name shows up on class rosters, Canvas, and MyUNT. As a faculty member, I am committed to using the name you request. Additionally, if your name changes at any point during the semester, please let me know and we can develop a plan to share this information with others in a way that is safe for you. Should you want to update your name, you can do so by looking at the following guidelines: https://registrar.unt.edu/transcripts-and-records/update-your-personal-information

Gender Pronouns. All people have the right to be addressed and referred to in accordance with their personal identity. In this class, we will share the name we want to be called and, if we choose, share the pronouns with which we would like to be addressed. As instructors, we will do our best to address and refer to all students accordingly and support classmates in doing so as well.

Land Acknowledgment. The University of North Texas occupies the ancestral, traditional and contemporary lands of the Wichita and Caddo people. We recognize Texas’ federally recognized Native Nations, historic Indigenous communities in Texas, Indigenous individuals and communities who live here now, and those who were forcibly removed from their homelands. In offering this land acknowledgment, we affirm Indigenous sovereignty, history, and experiences.

Food/Housing Insecurity. Any student who has difficulty affording groceries or accessing sufficient food to eat every day, or who lacks a safe and stable place to live, and believes this may affect their performance in the course, is urged to contact the Dean of Students, Suite 409 at the University Union (or by calling 940-565-2648). The UNT Food Pantry is a useful resource for students who may need it. Please visit the website for more details, or feel free to come see me about this: https://deanofstudents.unt.edu/resources/food-pantry

Social Media and Online Sharing. Sharing class ideas and learning experiences on social media allows educators opportunities to show successes, receive critical feedback, and grow with others. Students, staff, and faculty in the College of Education often use the #UNTedu hashtag for such purposes. You are welcome to share class learning experiences in this class with broader audiences via social media platforms. However, you should first secure consent from instructors and classmates before posting their ideas, images, or work online. You should not capture images or record video from online meetings and share those outside our class community with consent. Similarly, you should not post images of PK-12 students even if consent is provided through school districts as social media platforms are increasingly mined for dubious reasons including targeted harassment, facial recognition, or personal data extraction and selling. Please know I am available if you have concerns, questions, or need support in this area.

Observation of Religious Holidays: I support your observance and practice of sacred religious traditions. Like with any other absence, please notify your instructor as soon as possible if you plan to observe a religious holy day that coincides with a synchronous class session.

University Mental Health Services. I recognize that it is not easy to be a student. The demands for economic, intellectual, social, and emotional stability are often in competition, and it can grow weary. School is one aspect of your busy life, and while it’s important to stay the course, it’s also important to acknowledge when you may need more support. UNT’s Counseling Center, as well as the Student Health and Wellness Center, offer support through counseling, care for your well-being and psychiatric health, workshops for socio-emotional challenges, etc. These services are confidential, and most of these services
are covered by your tuition. Feel free to see me for more support on this, call 940-565-2333 and/or refer to the following website: https://speakout.unt.edu/content/mental-health-resources.

NOTE: This Syllabus is provided for informational purposes regarding the anticipated course content and schedule of this course. It is based upon the most recent information available on the date of its issuance; it is as accurate and complete as possible. I reserve the right to make any changes I deem necessary and/or appropriate throughout the semester.

Educator Standards

The UNT Educator Preparation Program curriculum includes alignment to standards identified by the Texas State Board of Educator Certification (SBEC) for beginning educators. These standards are addressed throughout your preparation and assessed through the TExES Certification exams required for your teaching certificate. Additionally, the Commissioner of TEA has adopted these rules pertaining to Texas teaching standards:

Texas Teaching Standards:
Standards required for all Texas beginning teachers fall into the following 6 broad categories:
Standard 1--Instructional Planning and Delivery. Standard 1Ai,ii,iv; 1Bi,ii (Lesson design)
Standard 2--Knowledge of Students and Student Learning
Standard 3--Content Knowledge and Expertise
Standard 4--Learning Environment
Standard 5--Data-Driven Practice
Standard 6--Professional Practices and Responsibilities

EC-12 Professional Pedagogy and Responsibilities (PPR) Standards
The beginning EC-12 teacher knows and understands:

- **Competency 001:** human developmental processes and applies this knowledge to plan instruction and ongoing assessment that motivate students and are responsive to their developmental characteristics and needs
- **Competency 002:** student diversity and knows how to plan learning experiences and design assessments that are responsive to differences among students and that promote all students' learning
- **Competency 005:** how to establish a classroom climate that fosters learning, equity and excellence and USES this knowledge to create a physical and emotional environment that is safe and productive
- **Competence 007:** principles and strategies for communicating effectively in varied teaching and learning contexts.

EC-12 Tech Apps Standards
The beginning EC-12 teacher knows and understands how to:

- **Standard I.** use and promote creative thinking and innovative processes to construct knowledge, generate new ideas, and create products
- **Standard II.** collaborate and communicate both locally and globally using digital tools and resources to reinforce and promote learning.
- **Standard III.** make informed decisions by applying critical-thinking and problem solving skills.

English Language Proficiency Standards (ELPS)
This course incorporates the ELPS in lesson planning and instructional delivery in order to improve language acquisition and content area knowledge of students who are English learners. The ELPs will be implemented by teacher candidates during instruction of the subject area for students who are English learners. The ELPs can be accessed via the Texas Education Agency using the following link:
http://ritter.tea.state.tx.us/rules/tac/chapter074/ch074a.html#74.4.
Texas College And Career Readiness Standards
The Texas College and Career Readiness Standards can be accessed at the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board Web site using the following link: http://www.thecb.state.tx.us/index.cfm?objectid=EADF962E-0E3E-DA80-BAAD2496062F3CD8

Technology Applications
Technology Applications (All Beginning Teachers, PDF) The first seven standards of the Technology Applications EC-12 Standards are expected of all beginning teachers and are incorporated in to the Texas Examination of Educator Standards (TExES) Pedagogy and Professional Responsibilities (PPR) test.

Teacher Education Program Core Values

While teaching has always been a relational and intellectual endeavor, we acknowledge that teaching is also both an ethical and a political act. We recognize that many of the practices and traditions in schools today perpetuate long-seated historical and social oppressions. These social inequities are structural and socially constructed along dimensions of intersecting identities, including, but not limited to, race, color, ethnicity, national origin and identity, dis/ability, gender identity and expression, sex, sexual orientation, religion, immigration status, language, social class, age, and genetic orientation.

It is through our radical imaginations that we can create spaces for critical inquiry and engagement in schools at multiple levels: intellectual, ethical, physical, social, emotional, ecological, and aesthetic. We envision classrooms to be inclusive places that serve as complex and just ecosystems that allow for multiple identities, modes of expression, and ways of engagement to thrive together. We do this because we are committed to dismantling oppression. Teachers play an important role in this movement. Our teacher education program supports the development of core values related to:

Identity. Preparing teachers who have agency and critically reflect on their lived experiences and identities as a way of informing their professional knowledge and humanizing pedagogies.

Inquiry. Preparing teachers who value and inquire into the complex identities, as well as intellectual and transformational capacities, of children and youth.

Activism. Preparing teachers who create curriculum that responds to children’s and youth’s inquiries and identities, as well as the sociopolitical and socioeconomic conditions of the world outside of schools—in neighborhoods, communities, and society-at-large.

Community. Preparing teachers who recognize and honor the unique sociocultural experiences and communities of children and youth with whom they work.

We commit to teaching and teacher preparation that takes a transformative stance toward school change. We believe—acting in solidarity with teachers, children, youth, school leaders, and communities—we can radically reimagine and reconstruct schools and, thus, our society.
### Teacher Preparation at The University of North Texas: Our Core Commitments

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<td><strong>We are</strong> individuals with cultural histories, knowledges, talents, and interests that we use as resources in our teaching.</td>
<td><strong>We value</strong> and nurture the love, grace, humor, compassion, creativity, patience, joy, and peace young people bring into our teaching spaces.</td>
<td><strong>We practice</strong> humanizing pedagogies that are asset-based, equitable, and appreciative of who we are and who we are becoming.</td>
<td><strong>We imagine</strong> schools as spaces where teachers are encouraged and given space to be different in what they do with young people and their communities.</td>
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<td><strong>We value</strong> young people’s knowledge, creativity, curiosity, aesthetics, imagination, and embodied ways of being as essential, educative and liberating.</td>
<td><strong>We practice</strong> curriculum as critical inquiry and research where children and youth are positioned as capable, knowledgeable and social agents for change.</td>
<td><strong>We imagine</strong> a curriculum in schools that is shaped by societal goals and influenced daily by events unfolding in the world around us.</td>
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<td><strong>Advocacy &amp; Activism</strong></td>
<td><strong>We are</strong> activists working against injustice for young people, teachers, and communities rooted in racism and other forms of discrimination.</td>
<td><strong>We value</strong> and embody caring in all its forms – personal, social, cultural, linguistic, and ecological – as essential to growing a positive learning and living environment.</td>
<td><strong>We practice</strong> activism in the curriculum by engaging children and youth in work that contributes to the creation of more just, more caring, and more peaceful world.</td>
<td><strong>We imagine</strong> metaphors for schools as nurturing spaces for the whole individual rather than as efficient factories or businesses that produce products and profit.</td>
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<td><strong>Communities</strong></td>
<td><strong>We are</strong> members of a multiple communities—connected in ways that make our successes intertwined.</td>
<td><strong>We value</strong> inclusive learning communities that connect us within and outside of our classrooms.</td>
<td><strong>We practice</strong> humility through our vulnerability; hope in the face of adversity; and resilience in response to our efforts that have fallen short.</td>
<td><strong>We imagine</strong> schools as sustaining intersecting ways of being, knowing, and languaging.</td>
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### UNT Course Policies

**Attendance.** The student is responsible for regular and punctual attendance and is expected to participate in all courses in which the student is enrolled. *Absences may lower a student’s grade where class attendance and class participation are deemed essential by the faculty member.* A student is responsible for requesting an excused absence in writing, providing satisfactory evidence to the faculty member to substantiate excused absence and delivering the request personally to the faculty member assigned to the course for which the student will be absent. A student needing assistance verifying absences due to illness or extenuating circumstances for all courses should contact the Dean of Students office. The Dean of Students office will verify the student’s documentation and advocate on the student’s behalf, as appropriate, to instructors for excused absences. When an absence is excused, the faculty member will provide a reasonable time after the absence for the student to complete an assignment or examination missed.

**Acceptable Student Behavior.** Student behavior that interferes with an instructor’s ability to conduct a class or other students’ opportunity to learn is unacceptable and disruptive and will not be tolerated in any instructional forum at UNT. Students engaging in unacceptable behavior will be directed to leave the classroom and the instructor may refer the student to the Dean of Students to consider whether the student's conduct violated the Code of Student Conduct. The University’s expectations for student conduct apply to all instructional forums, including University and electronic classroom, labs, discussion groups, field trips, etc. The Code of Student Conduct can be found at deanofstudents.unt.edu/conduct.

**Academic Integrity Standards and Consequences.** According to UNT Policy 06.003, Student Academic Integrity, academic dishonesty occurs when students engage in behaviors including, but not limited to cheating, fabrication, facilitating academic dishonesty, forgery, plagiarism, and sabotage. A finding of academic dishonesty may result in a range of academic penalties or sanctions ranging from admonition to expulsion from the University.
ADA Accommodation Statement. UNT makes reasonable academic accommodation for students with disabilities. Students seeking accommodation must first register with the Office of Disability Accommodation (ODA) to verify their eligibility. If a disability is verified, the ODA will provide a student with an accommodation letter to be delivered to faculty to begin a private discussion regarding one’s specific course needs. Students may request accommodations at any time, however, ODA notices of accommodation should be provided as early as possible in the semester to avoid any delay in implementation. Note that students must obtain a new letter of accommodation for every semester and must meet with each faculty member prior to implementation in each class. For additional information see the ODA website at disability.unt.edu.

Course Safety Procedures (for Laboratory Courses). Students enrolled in [insert class name] are required to use proper safety procedures and guidelines as outlined in UNT Policy 06.038 Safety in Instructional Activities. While working in laboratory sessions, students are expected and required to identify and use proper safety guidelines in all activities requiring lifting, climbing, walking on slippery surfaces, using equipment and tools, handling chemical solutions and hot and cold products. Students should be aware that the UNT is not liable for injuries incurred while students are participating in class activities. All students are encouraged to secure adequate insurance coverage in the event of accidental injury. Students who do not have insurance coverage should consider obtaining Student Health Insurance. Brochures for student insurance are available in the UNT Student Health and Wellness Center. Students who are injured during class activities may seek medical attention at the Student Health and Wellness Center at rates that are reduced compared to other medical facilities. If students have an insurance plan other than Student Health Insurance at UNT, they should be sure that the plan covers treatment at this facility. If students choose not to go to the UNT Student Health and Wellness Center, they may be transported to an emergency room at a local hospital. Students are responsible for expenses incurred there.

Emergency Notification & Procedures. UNT uses a system called Eagle Alert to quickly notify students with critical information in the event of an emergency (i.e., severe weather, campus closing, and health and public safety emergencies like chemical spills, fires, or violence). In the event of a university closure, please refer to Canvas for contingency plans for covering course.

Survivor Advocacy. UNT is committed to providing a safe learning environment free of all forms of sexual misconduct, including sexual harassment sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking. Federal laws (Title IX and the Violence Against Women Act) and UNT policies prohibit discrimination on the basis of sex, and therefore prohibit sexual misconduct. If you or someone you know is experiencing sexual harassment, relationship violence, stalking, and/or sexual assault, there are campus resources available to provide support and assistance. UNT’s Survivor Advocates can assist a student who has been impacted by violence by filing protective orders, completing crime victim’s compensation applications, contacting professors for absences related to an assault, working with housing to facilitate a room change where appropriate, and connecting students to other resources available both on and off campus. The Survivor Advocates can be reached at SurvivorAdvocate@unt.edu or by calling the Dean of Students Office at 940-565-2648. Additionally, alleged sexual misconduct can be non-confidentially reported to the Title IX Coordinator at oeo@unt.edu or at (940) 565 2759.

Department of Teacher Education and Administration Statements

Student Evaluation Administration Dates. Student feedback is important and an essential part of participation in this course. The student evaluation of instruction is a requirement for all organized classes at UNT. The survey will be made available during weeks 13, 14 and 15 of the long semesters to provide students with an opportunity to evaluate how this course is taught. Students will receive an email from "UNT SPOT Course Evaluations via IASystem Notification" (no-reply@iasystem.org) with the survey link. Students should look for the email in their UNT email inbox. Simply click on the link and complete the survey. Once students complete the survey, they will receive a confirmation email that the survey has been submitted. For additional information, please visit the SPOT website at www.spot.unt.edu or email spot@unt.edu.

Sexual Assault Prevention. UNT is committed to providing a safe learning environment free of all forms of sexual misconduct. Federal laws and UNT policies prohibit discrimination on the basis of sex as well as sexual misconduct. If you or someone you know is experiencing sexual harassment, relationship violence, stalking and/or sexual assault, there are campus resources available to provide support and assistance. The Survivor Advocates can be reached at SurvivorAdvocate@unt.edu or by calling the Dean of Students Office at 940-565-2648.