# **Minnesota State University Moorhead**

# SPED 430: Foundation of Reading and Writing Methods

## A. COURSE DESCRIPTION

Credits: 3

Lecture Hours/Week: 3

Lab Hours/Week: 0

OJT Hours/Week: \*.\*

Prerequisites: None

Corequisites: None

MnTC Goals: None

In this first of two literacy intervention courses, candidates will learn pedagogy that supports the development of reading and writing. By knowing and understanding the foundation of literacy & literacy instruction, candidates will begin to explore instructional practices, focusing on developing a holistic framework for teaching.

# **B. COURSE EFFECTIVE DATES:** 08/20/2012 - Present

#### C. OUTLINE OF MAJOR CONTENT AREAS

- 1. The Nature of Literacy
- 2. Fostering Emergent/Early Literacy
- 3. Teaching Phonics, High--Frequency Words, and Syllabic Analysis
- 4. The Learning Environment
- 5. Building Vocabulary
- 6. Comprehension
- 7. Creating and Managing a Literacy Program
- 8. Exploration of professional reading teacher associations and affiliations

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## **D. LEARNING OUTCOMES (General)**

- 1. The candidates will demonstrate knowledge of the English language.
- 2. The candidate will identify strategies for decoding new words.
- 3. The candidate will identify evidence based practice from the literature.
- 4. The candidate will understand the stages of spelling and writing development.
- 5. The candidate will understand systematic instruction in reading.
- 6. The candidate will understand the relationship between reading and writing.
- 7. The candidate will understand the relationship between motivation and reading.
- 8. The candidate will understand the relationship between vocabulary development, comprehension, and fluency.
- 9. The candidate will understand how text structure and use of strategies impacts comprehension.
- 10. The candidate will be able to design curriculum based measures to assess reading skills.
- 11. The candidate will understand various roles of commercial curriculum based measures.
- 12. The candidate will design literacy lessons wrapped around essential literacy skills.
- 13. The candidate will describe an effective literacy rich environment.
- 14. The candidate will communicate goals for continued professional development as a teacher of reading.

# E. Minnesota Transfer Curriculum Goal Area(s) and Competencies

None

## F. LEARNER OUTCOMES ASSESSMENT

As noted on course syllabus

#### G. SPECIAL INFORMATION

None noted