THE EDUCATION UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG Course Outline

Part I

Programme Title : Bachelor of Education (Honours) (English Language) (Five-

year Full-time) Secondary

Programme QF Level : 5

Course Title : Secondary ELT Methods II: Developing Literacy Skills

Course Code : ENG3262

Department: Department of English Language Education (ELE)

Credit Points : 3 Contact Hours : 39

Pre-requisite(s) : (if applicable)

Medium of Instruction : English **Course Level** : 3

Part II

The University's Graduate Attributes and seven Generic Intended Learning Outcomes (GILOs) stipulate the attributes expected of EdUHK graduates. The learning outcomes at the course level (Course Intended Learning Outcomes), the programme level (Programme Intended Learning Outcomes) and the University level (GILOs), guide students' development towards these graduate attributes.

The Graduate Attributes for Undergraduate, Taught Postgraduate and Research Postgraduate students consist of the following three domains (i.e. in short "PEER & I"):

- Professional Excellence;
- Ethical Responsibility; &
- Innovation.

The assessment descriptors under these three domains are different for the three groups of students in order to guide and reflect their expected different levels of achievement of the Graduate Attributes.

The seven GILOs are:

- 1. Problem Solving Skills
- 2. Critical Thinking Skills
- 3. Creative Thinking Skills
- 4a. Oral Communication Skills
- 4b. Written Communication Skills
- 5. Social Interaction Skills
- 6. Ethical Decision Making
- 7. Global Perspectives

1. Course Synopsis

This course enables students to develop pedagogical content knowledge in ELT (i.e., knowledge of English language teaching skills) and the related practical skills for teaching reading and writing in the secondary classrooms in Hong Kong. Students will develop practical and innovative skills for planning, designing, implementing and evaluating the teaching of reading and writing. Students will also micro-teach to try out the skills learnt. The course also helps students to develop classroom language skills for giving clear instruction.

2. Course Intended Learning Outcomes (CILOs)

Upon completion of this course, students will be able to:

- CILO₁ Plan, design, implement and evaluate English language lessons to support the development of reading and writing strategies and abilities for school students at different achievement levels; and
- CILO₂ Demonstrate a critical understanding of how school students' reading and writing abilities develop and what factors affect the development.

3. Course Intended Language Learning Outcomes (CILLOs)

Upon completion of this course, students will be able to:

- CILLO₁ Demonstrate knowledge of a range of text types / genres (**PO- SK1, SK3**);
- CILLO₂ Demonstrate an appropriate level of proficiency in the language of instruction in LPATE Classroom Language; (PO SK3); and
- CILLO₃ Write clear and accurate rubrics in learning materials. (**PO SK3**).

4. Content, CILOs, CILLOs and Teaching & Learning Activities

Course Content	CILOs/	Suggested Teaching &		
	CILLOs	Learning Activities		
1. Genre knowledge: eight common school	$CILO_{1-2}$	 Online learning, peer 		
genres	$CILLO_1$	assessment, assessment-		
		as-learning activity		
2. A practical exploration of the principles	CILOs ₁₋₂	• Workshops, teacher		
and practices of ELT pedagogy for the	$CILLO_1$	modelling and		
development of literacy skills for the Hong		demonstration,		
Kong secondary classrooms:		critiquing sample plans		
• Reading processes and approaches: word		and learning materials,		
recognition, syntactic processing, semantic		group discussion,		
processing; bottom-up, top-down and		microteaching with peer		
interactive processing.		comments, videos,		
 Approaches and strategies for teaching 		reflection.		
reading strategies: pre-reading strategies to				
activate schema; while-reading strategies to				
support comprehension and to deal with				

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difficult vocabulary and syntax; post-	
reading strategies to develop in-depth	
critical comprehension and self-monitoring	
strategies; strategies for promoting reading	
interests and a reading habit.	
• Writing approaches and processes: the	
process approach, the genre approach; the	
process of writing: collecting ideas,	
organising ideas, building a text with	
appropriate lexico-grammar, drafting and	
revising.	
• Approaches and strategies for teaching	
writing strategies: the teaching-learning	
cycle in the genre approach: text	
deconstruction, text co-construction and	
independent construction; modelling with	
sample texts for text organisation and	
appropriate use of lexico-grammar;	
modelling of the writing process; and	
providing comments for improvement and	
assessing students' writing.	
3. Application of strategies for teaching	$CILOs_{1-2}$
reading and writing to students with diverse	CILLOs ₁₋₃
needs and levels of ability through:	
• Planning English language lessons with a	
focus on developing students' reading and	
writing abilities; writing appropriate	
learning objectives.	
• Designing reading and writing activities;	
using and adapting texts and other materials	
from various print and online resources;	
writing clear and accurate rubrics.	
Appropriate use of language of instruction	
to give clear instructions for learning	
activities and students' learning.	
 Micro-teaching of reading and writing 	
strategies.	

5. Assessment

Assessment Tasks		Weighting	CILOs/
			CILLOs
(a)	One on-line text analysis and deconstruction task	10%	CILOs ₁₋₂
	with peer assessment (Individual work)		$CILLO_1$
(b)	A plan for teaching a reading text AND a writing	30%	CILOs ₁₋₂
	task, with ready-to-use learning materials for		CILLOs ₁₋₃
	students (Pair work)		
(c)	Microteaching and reflection of teaching reading	40%,	CILOs ₁₋₂
	OR teaching writing, based on the teaching plan	including 5%	CILLOs ₁₋₂

	(Group work but assessed individually)	peer	
		assessment	
(d)	A transcript (of 500 words) of an extract from the	20%	$CILLO_2$
	microteaching and an annotated improved script		
	(based on the transcript), with a focus on the		
	language of instruction (Individual work)		

6. Required Text(s)

Nil

7. Recommended Readings

- Alvermann, D.E. & Phelps, S.F. (2007). Content reading and literacy: Succeeding in today's diverse classrooms. Boston, Mass.: Allyn and Bacon.
- Burke, J. (2010). What's the big idea?: Question-driven units to motivate reading, writing, and thinking. Portsmouth, NH: Heinemann.
- Curriculum Development Council. (2017). English language education: Key learning area curriculum guide (Primary 1 Secondary 6). Hong Kong: Education Bureau.
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- Harmer, J. (2015). *The practice of English language teaching*. Harlow, England: Pearson Education Limited.
- Harrison, C. (2004). *Understanding reading development*. London: Sage Publications.
- Heller, M.F. (1999). *Reading-writing connections: From theory to practice*. Mahwah, N.J.: Lawrence Erlbaum Associates.
- Hirvela, A. (2016). Connecting reading and writing in second language writing instruction. Ann Arbor, Mich.: University of Michigan Press.
- Houston, G. (2004). How writing works: Imposing organizational structure within the writing process. Boston: Pearson Education, Inc.
- Hyland, K. (2003). Second language writing. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
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- Koda, K. (2005). *Insights into second language reading: A cross-linguistic approach*. New York: Cambridge University Press.
- Kong, S. (2001a). Reading to learn. In M. Evans, P. Hoare, S. Kong, S. O'Halloran & E. Walker, *Effective strategies for English medium schools: A handbook for teachers*. Hong Kong: Hong Kong Institute of Education, pp.57-77.
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Lapp, D., Flood, J. & Farnan, N. (2008). Content area reading and learning: Instructional strategies. New York: Lawrence Erlbaum Associates.

Lipson M.Y. & Wixson, K.K. (2009). Assessment and instruction of reading and writing difficulty: An interactive approach. Boston, Mass.: Pearson Education.

Martin, J.R. (1989). Factual writing: Exploring and challenging social reality. Oxford: Oxford University Press.

Nuttall, C. (2005). *Teaching reading skills in a foreign language*. Oxford: Macmillan Education.

Olson, C.B. (2007). The reading/writing connection: Strategies for teaching and learning in the secondary classroom. Boston, Mass.: Pearson Allyn & Bacon.

Paterson, K. (2006). Real life literacy: Classroom tools that promote real-world reading and writing. Markham, Ont.: Pembroke Publishers.

Ruddell, M.P. (2008). Teaching content reading and writing. Hoboken, NJ: Wiley.

Wilber, D.J. (2010). *iWrite: Using blogs, wikis, and digital stories in the English classroom*. Portsmouth, N.H.: Heinemann.

8. Related Web Resources

Education Bureau: http://www.edb.gov.hk/default.aspx

Hkedcity: https://www.hkedcity.net/english/

BBC: http://www.bbc.co.uk/learning/

9. Related Journals

ELT Journal Journal of Second Language Writing Reading Teacher

10. Academic Honesty

The University adopts a zero tolerance policy to plagiarism. For the University's policy on plagiarism, please refer to the *Policy on Academic Honesty, Responsibility and Integrity with Specific Reference to the Avoidance of Plagiarism by Students* (https://www.eduhk.hk/re/modules/downloads/visit.php?cid=9&lid=89). Students should familiarize themselves with the Policy.

11. Others

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