

THE EDUCATION UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG

Course Outline

(for programme development)

Part I

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| Programme Title | : Doctor of Education |
| Programme QF Level | : 7 |
| Course Title | : Technology for Effective Learning and Teaching of Science |
| Course Code | : SCG8012 |
| Department | : Department of Science and Environment Studies |
| Credit Points | : 3 |
| Contact Hours | : 39 (5 for face-to-face lesson + 34 hours for directed study) |
| Pre-requisite(s) | : Nil |
| Medium of Instruction | : English |
| Course Level | : 7 |

Part II

The University's Graduate Attributes and seven Generic Intended Learning Outcomes (GILOs) represent the attributes of ideal EdUHK graduates and their expected qualities respectively. Learning outcomes work coherently at the University (GILOs), programme (Programme Intended Learning Outcomes) and course (Course Intended Learning Outcomes) levels to achieve the goal of nurturing students with important graduate attributes.

In gist, 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 descriptors under these three domains are different for the three groups of students in order to reflect the respective level of 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

The learning and teaching of science has long been integrated with the use of various types of technologies since the existence of school laboratories. Nowadays, information technology (e.g. dataloggers and pocket PC), communication technology (e.g. cable and wireless networks, mobile phones and GPS devices), and digital entertainment devices (e.g. digital cameras, drones, electronic games and HD TV etc.) are emerging and penetrating both the students' and teachers' daily lives. At the same time, these technologies could enable science teachers to design many innovative and inexpensive learning activities to help their students overcome common misconceptions in science, cultivate their metacognitive learning ability, stimulate their interest of science learning, and facilitate their life-wide learning of science. This module employs some appropriate technologies (e.g. 3D visualization technology and virtual reality) and related research (e.g. multiple and multimodal representations) in science education to equip the candidates with practical pedagogies and theoretical basis for effective applications of technology to enhance the classroom learning and teaching of science as well as the evaluation of students' science learning outcomes.

2. Course Intended Learning Outcomes (CILOs)

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

- CILO₁ demonstrate an in-depth understanding of the theoretical basis for effective applications of technology in science education;
- CILO₂ master the essential technological skills and pedagogies for innovative design and development of technology-mediated science learning resources and activities;
- CILO₃ critically assess students' outcomes of science learning in different technology-rich learning environment.

3. Content, CILOs and Teaching & Learning Activities

| Course Content | CILOs | Suggested Teaching & Learning Activities |
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| 1. Digital technology in laboratory based and field-based learning of science - Recent development and | CILO _{1,2} | Lecture Demonstration Hands-on activities Consultation and |

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| <p>applications of datalogging systems in science laboratory practice</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Innovative design and development of low-cost computer-mediated scientific investigation activities (e.g. Arduino programming) - Remote-controlled experimentation - Exemplary use of hand-held digital technology (e.g. digital cameras, drones, smart phones and GPS) in informal and field-based learning of science | | discussion |
| <p>2. Theory and practice of using computer- mediated modeling and representation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Theories of modeling, representation and visualization in science learning - Current application of virtual reality and 3D visualization in science education - Computer-simulated experiments for student-centred learning of science - Open-source software and web-based open-access materials for self learning of science - Online learning platform for collaborative learning of science | <i>CILO1,2</i> | Lecture Demonstration Hands-on activities Candidate's oral presentation Consultation and discussion |
| <p>3. Assessment of technology-enhanced science learning and teaching</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Evaluation of students' changes in their achievement and attitudes through science learning in various technology-rich environments - Critical examination of implementation difficulties and teacher professional development - Issues and implications of using technology for science education and other school curricula | <i>CILO3</i> | Lecture Demonstration Hands-on activities Candidate's oral presentation Consultation and discussion |

4. Assessment

| Assessment Tasks | Weighting (%) | CILO |
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| a) Reflective reports on reading the recent literature relevant to selected topics in 3 different parts of the content. | 20% | CILO1, 2 |
| b) An essay consisting of a critical evaluation of the design, development and application of a selected technology in enhancing the teaching of a chosen science topic, with in-depth discussion focusing on the students' outcomes of science learning and related educational implications (about 4000 words) | 80% | CILO1,2,3 |

5. Required Text(s)

Nil

6. Recommended Readings

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7. Related Web Resources

Hypermedia and Self-learning Centre - <http://www.eduhk.hk/has/>
Science Learning Centres - <http://www.sciencelearningcentres.org.uk/> Science
Learning Network - <http://www.sln.org/>
JISC [Joint Information Systems Committee] (2004). Effective Practice with e-
Learning: A good practice guide in designing for learning. [online]
<http://www.jisc.ac.uk/media/documents/publications/effectivepracticelearning.pdf>

8. Related Journals

Journal of Computers in Mathematics and Science Teaching
Journal of Science Education and Technology
Research and Practice in Technology Enhanced Learning

9. 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.

10. Others

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