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| Syllabus |

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| **Course Instructors:** | **Graduate Teaching Assistant:** |
| **Dr. Peggy Dagley**Director, Professional Education Services3464 Haley CenterOffice Hours: By appointment**Dr. Lenny Lock**3358 Haley CenterOffice Hours: By appointment | **Yvonne Williams**3464 Haley CenterOffice Hours: By appointment |
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| **Please use the following E-mail for this course:**  oriened@auburn.edu |

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| **Syllabus** |
| Course Number: EDUC 1010 |
| Course Title: Orientation to Teacher Education |
| Credit Hours: 1 semester hour |
| Prerequisites: Admitted into the College of Education |
| Co-requisites: NA |
| Date Syllabus Prepared: Spring 2010 |
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| **Dates and Locations** |
| Tuesdays at 4:00 PM in Haley Center 3195 |
| Wednesdays at 8:00 AM Haley Center 2370 |
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| **Texts or Major Resources** |
| [Orientation Handbook](http://education.auburn.edu/files/file1425.pdf)  |
| Purchase a copy of the handbook from Copy Cat and bring it to every class session.  |
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| **Course Description** |
| This course is designed to assist new and transfer students in the College of Education to understand the role of teacher education and of teaching as a profession. |
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| **Course Objectives** |
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| As a student in the class you will: |
| * Confirm your decision to become a teacher.
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| * Develop an evolving philosophy of teaching and learning.
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| * Identify the College of Education’s mission and conceptual framework.
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| * Reflect on dispositions of a successful teacher.
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| * Use technology to become familiar with teaching philosophy, practices, dispositions, proficiencies, and other ideas related to the teaching profession
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| * Identify the College of Education key assessments.
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| * Identify the requirements for admission to teacher education, internship, certification, and graduation.
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| * Identify where to go and who to ask for assistance in completing College of Education program requirements.
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| * Self-assess your teaching dispositions.
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| * Appreciate the complex nature of teaching.
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| * Interact with the Alabama Quality Teaching Standards listed below:
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| **(3)(c)3.(i)** | Knowledge of the role that mathematics plays in everyday life. |
| **(3)(c)3.(ii)** | Knowledge of the concepts and relationships in number systems. |
| **(3)(c)3.(iii)** | Knowledge of the appropriate use of various types of reasoning, including inductive, deductive, spatial and proportional, and understanding of valid and invalid forms of reasoning. |
| **(3)(c)3.(iv)** | Knowledge of both metric and customary measurement and fundamental geometric concepts, including shapes and their properties and relationships. |
| **(5)(c)2.(ii)** | Knowledge of a range of professional learning opportunities, including job-embedded learning, district- and state-sponsored workshops, university offerings, and online and distance learning. |
| **(5)(c)3.(i)** | Knowledge of current and emerging state initiatives and programs including, but not limited to, the Alabama Reading Initiative (ARI); the Alabama Math, Science, and Technology Initiative (AMSTI); Alabama Learning Exchange (ALEX); the Alabama Connecting Classroom, Educators and Students Statewide (ACCESS) and their relationship to student achievement. |

**Course Policies****Participation:** Students are expected to participate in all class discussions and participate in all exercises. It is the student’s responsibility to contact the instructor if assignment deadlines are not met. Students are responsible for initiating arrangements for missed work.**Attendance/Absences:** Attendance is required at each class meeting.**Course Contingency Statement:** If normal class and/or lab activities are disrupted due to illness, emergency, or crisis situation (such as an H1N1 flu outbreak), the syllabus and other course plans and assignments may be modified to allow completion of the course. If this occurs, an addendum to your syllabus and/or course assignments will replace the original materials. **Unannounced quizzes:** Participation quizzes to document attendance will occur during the semester.**Use of Communications Technology**: Cell phones and personal laptops are not allowed for use during class time. All information via computer will be posted electronically for the class to view.**Accommodations:** Students who need accommodations are asked to arrange a meeting during the first week of classes, or as soon as possible if accommodations are needed immediately. To set up this meeting, please contact the instructor by e-mail. Bring a copy of your Accommodation Memo and an Instructor Verification Form to the meeting. If you do not have an Accommodation Memo but need accommodations, make an appointment with the Program for Students with Disabilities at 1244 Haley Center, 844-2096 (V/TT).**Honesty Code:** The University Academic Honesty Code and the [Tiger Cub](http://www.auburn.edu/tigercub/) Rules and Regulations pertaining to Cheating will apply to this class.**Professionalism:** As faculty, staff, and students interact in professional settings, they are expected to demonstrate professional behaviors as defined in the College’s conceptual framework. These professional commitments or dispositions are listed below:• Engage in responsible and ethical professional practices• Contribute to collaborative learning communities• Demonstrate a commitment to diversity• Model and nurture intellectual vitality

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| **Course Requirements and Grading**The grading for the course is based on a U (Unsatisfactory) or S (Satisfactory). Criteria for earning a U or S is as follows:1.   **Attendance**: Attendance at every session is mandatory. **More than one unexcused absences will automatically result in a grade of U.** Excused absences include documented illness, family death/emergency, and others as defined in the Tiger Cub and the AU Bulletin. All absences will be considered to be "unexcused" until and unless the instructor is in possession of the appropriate documentation for that absence. Please be aware that the instructor may verify any or all medical or other documentation that is presented for absence verification purposes. The falsification or forgery of medical documentation is considered to be an act of Academic Dishonesty subject to sanctions as spelled out in the Tiger Club by the Academic Dishonesty Committee. Any tardy in excess of ten minutes is considered an absence. Documentation for excused absences must be presented to a course instructor within one week of the absence. In cases of excessive excused absences (more than three), make-up work will be required.2.   **Blackboard Assignments and Assessments**:  You must complete all the Blackboard Assignments and Assessments as outlined in the Course Schedule.3.   **Online Assessment Data Entry**: The Undergraduate Entry Assessment (Orientation) should be completed **on or before** May 5, 2010. You can print the confirmation page for your own documentation purposes.The online assessment can be accessed at the following web address: <https://fp.auburn.edu/education/assessment/undergrad_self_assessment.html> **Communication****Student Responsibility with Communication**Students are *strongly* encouraged to contact the instructor and graduate assistant regularly during class or via e-mail (oriened@auburn.edu) for additional support and assistance as well as clarification, if needed, on assignment requirements.**The University Email Account**Auburn University has provided each student with an email account. These accounts are used as the official communication medium between the university and the student. For this reason, students should communicate with the instructor using *only* their official university (TigerMail) accounts. Email originating from Hotmail, AOL, or other non-Auburn sources will *not* be opened by the instructors.**Communication Regarding Instructor Absence**If an instructor is absent from a class session for any reason (e.g., illness, family emergency, travel), students will be notified through email of the contingency plan. In most instances, the other instructor or the graduate teaching assistant will assume responsibility for class instruction. If neither is available, a contingency plan will be made available through Blackboard and through the class web site (<https://fp.auburn.edu/education/oriened/index.html>). **Effective Communication Skills**An important skill for teachers is the ability to communicate effectively with a wide variety of people. Parents, administrators, students and peers all participate in the communication process with teachers. As such, future teachers should begin to master the art of effective and appropriate communication skills. The instructor is aware that many students utilize shorthand methods of communication with peers that are associated with text message software and hardware. However, this type of communication is not appropriate in a professional setting, such as with instructors and professors. Therefore, the instructor expects students to use standard forms of grammar, punctuation and spelling when using email to inquire about course-related activities or problems. |

**Schedule** The Teacher Education Orientation course is designed as a series of topics and workshops relevant to students entering the Teacher Education Program in the College of Education. The primary text is the [*Orientation Handbook*](http://education.auburn.edu/files/file1425.pdf)*.* Please complete the assigned readings in the [*Orientation Handbook*](http://education.auburn.edu/files/file1425.pdf)*,* referenced as OH in the schedule, bring your Orientation Handbook to each class, and bring required materials as assigned per designated date prior to instruction.

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| **DATE** | **TOPIC** | **ASSIGNMENT**  |
| January 12/13 | **Course Introduction**: The Needs of COE Students; Overview of Course Requirements |   |
| January 19/20 | **College Mission**, Vision, Conceptual Framework, and Candidate Proficiencies; Meet the Deans | *OH: pps 9-12* |
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| January 26/27 | **Admission to Teacher Education:** Applications, Deadlines, and Transitions, Requirements | *OH: pps. 13-15* *Review Admission to Teacher Education documents at* [*http://education.auburn.edu/edustudents/forms/index.html*](http://education.auburn.edu/edustudents/forms/index.html) |
| February 2/3 | **Academic Advising:** Everything you wanted to know |  *OH: pps. 18-21* |
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| February 9/10  | **Alabama Prospective Teacher Testing Program**: Basic Skills and Praxis II | *(a) OH: p. 16 ; (b) review information at* [*http://education.auburn.edu/edustudents/teachered/basic-skills.html*](http://education.auburn.edu/edustudents/teachered/basic-skills.html) *and* [*http://education.auburn.edu/edustudents/teachered/praxis-ii.html*](http://education.auburn.edu/edustudents/teachered/praxis-ii.html) *and (c) bring a printed hard copy of the appropriate TAAG from* [*www.ets.org*](http://www.ets.org)*;* |
| February 16/17  | **Program Options:** Understanding the Variety of Offerings in the COE and Getting Involved in COE Organizations | *(a) OH: pps. 5-7; and (b) review COE Programs of Study in online AU Bulletin (c)review student organizations at* [*http://education.auburn.edu/edustudents/orgs/index.html*](http://education.auburn.edu/edustudents/orgs/index.html) |
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| February 23/24 | **Program Advising:** Advising Session with Faculty Advisor[CLASS DOES NOT MEET IN REGULAR CLASSROOM](file:///G%3A%5C00595_Orientation%5CWeb%20Documents%20Fall%20%2709%5Cpdfs%5CEDUC%201010%20Advising%20Sessions%20Spring%202009.pdf) |  *(a) Watch your specific* [*program video*](file:///G%3A%5C00595_Orientation%5CWeb%20Documents%20Fall%20%2709%5Cpdfs%5CProgram%20Videos.pdf)*; or (b) scan the COE Website for program information* |
| March 2/3 | **Diversity:** Understanding Diversity in the Classroom--Ethnicity, Special Needs, and Socioeconomic Status |  |
| March 9/10 | **Professional Behaviors & Ethical Conduct International Study Opportunities** | OH: *pps 24-28* |
| March 23/24 | **Watching a Model Lesson**CLASS DOES NOT MEET IN REGULAR CLASSROOM | *Sign in on Blackboard at computer of choice and complete required assignment by designated time.* |
| March 30/31 | **Evaluating Good Teaching Practices** (EDUCATE/Alabama and a Professional Work Sample | *(a) OH: p. 17; (b) Look over the key assessments which can be accessed on the left side of  the online assessment page* [*https://fp.auburn.edu/education/assessment/*](https://fp.auburn.edu/education/assessment/)*; and (c)review Continuum for Teacher Development* |
| April 6/7 | **Field Experiences**  | *OH: pps. 22-23* |
| April 13/14 | **The Teaching Profession**: Advice from Practitioners | *Demonstrate your professionalism by your prompt arrival for our guest speakers.* |
| April 20/21 | **The Road Beyond:** Professional Development in AlabamaCLASS DOES NOT MEET IN REGULAR CLASSROOM | *Sign in on* [*Blackboard*](https://blackboard.auburn.edu/webct/entryPage.dowebct) *at computer of choice and complete required assessment by designated time.* |
| April 27/28 | **Review & Reflections:** Discussion of April 20/21 assignment, Wrapping up the Semester, and Course Evaluations |  |
| Final Exam | Online Self-Assessment | Undergraduate Entry Self-Assessment Completed on or before May 5, 2010 |
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| **Course Project**COE Candidate Proficiencies: A Self-AssessmentDue Dates: May 5, 2010Directions: 1. Throughout the semester, you will learn about the 15 candidate proficiencies that will be referenced to guide your instructional programs and monitor your growth throughout your academic career. It is important that you think deeply about these proficiencies and consider their relevance to your career as a teacher.
2. Please reflect on each proficiency and determine where you rate on the developmental continuum per proficiency. Realize that, as a beginning pre-service teacher, you are not expected to be competent in each candidate proficiency; the COE faculty and all the courses you take during your program will help you develop in each area. Also, realize that each individual has strengths and weaknesses, so you are not expected to get consistent ratings across all 15 proficiencies. You are asked to honestly assess your personal strengths and weaknesses at the end of this Orientation class--and most likely at different times throughout your program--so you can diagnostically track your growth and realize areas for personal development.
3. Please visit the following website and submit your self-assessment ratings on each of the 15 proficiencies. These ratings will remain confidential with the Coordinator of Assessment; the ratings cannot and will not be used against you in any way during your program: <https://fp.auburn.edu/education/assessment/undergrad_self_assessment.html>

     ***Note: Please select "Entering Program or Orientation Course" under the Program Point field.***\* <https://fp.auburn.edu/education/assessment/undergrad_self_assessment.html> |

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