**CTES 7926**

**Auburn University**

Department: Department of Curriculum & Teaching

Program: English to Speakers of Other Languages Education

Course Title: cLINICAL rESIDENCY IN esol education

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Classroom:

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**3. Text-** Brown, H. D. & Lee, H. (2015). Teaching by principles: An interactive approach to language pedagogy (4th edition). New York: Pearson.

**4. Course Description:** Supervised on-the-job experience in a school, college, or other appropriate setting, accompanied by regularly scheduled, on-campus discussion periods.

The Clinical Residency in ESOL education (certification track) may be completed by working with students in a public school setting, the Summer English School setting, and/or private tutoring sessions. On-the-job experiences are accompanied by scheduled observations and discussions that allow the university supervisor and the interning teacher to analyze and evaluate teaching experiences and abilities to apply research-based practices and knowledge base addressed in objectives and content for courses in the reading program.

The Clinical Residency experience is set up in three unique stages. 1) observations in ESL classes that encompass the wide range of language levels and language domains 2) shadowing/assisting practicing teachers with all aspects of ESL teaching, and/or tutoring one-on-one in class and private settings 3) small group teaching and full time teaching of at least one class of students for the duration of at least one unit. Each stage is comprised of at least 100 hours, but may be split up throughout the entire course of study.

Students working toward Alabama’s Class A ESOL Education certification must complete all three options. Students wishing to develop expertise in other areas of reading education may work with a university supervisor to create additional Clinical Residency options (e.g., teaching reading to children with special needs; working with adult readers).

**5. Course Objectives:** Course objectives include a subset of key indicators from the Alabama Quality Teaching Standards and program-specific indicators. Indicators assigned to CTES 7920 are highlighted on the performance assessment templates included in the attachments. [Or noted below.]

Alignment of objectives with the Alabama Quality Teaching Standards (AQTS) is noted.

1. Students will be introduced to the ethical standards for professionalism.
2. Students will demonstrate the ability to apply course material (to improve thinking, problem solving, and decisions); related to the principles and methods of teaching and learning of English language.
3. Students will develop and demonstrate skills, competencies, and points of view needed by professionals; related to lesson planning, classroom management, and student peer relationships
4. Students will develop an appreciation for the breadth of the field in terms of the four language modalities + grammar, pronunciation, and vocabulary teaching, as well as integrated approaches.
5. Students will use the practicum to gain competence in the field and use course work to support the development of effective teaching as well as the ability to reflect critically about their own teaching techniques and the teaching of others

**6. Course Content and Schedule:**

Students will work with the university supervisor to develop weekly plans for addressing and demonstrating competence in the objectives listed above.

**7. Course Requirements/Evaluation:**

The entire clinical residency will consist of 3 credit hours, with 100 clock hours per stage. Additional clock hour configurations can be made on individual basis in consultation with university supervisor. Requirements for each option include weekly entries in a professional journal that includes annotations to standards or theory, self-evaluations completed at midterm and at the end of the term, and participation in professional conversations about the Clinical Residency.

**Track A: If you are an intern placed in a cooperating teacher’s classroom**

**Track B: If you are an employed teacher who will fulfill your hours of residency in your own classroom**

**Required for both Track A & B**

**Goal Statement**-

1. By the end of week 2, please make a list of at least three personal goals for this stage of the internship that you hope to accomplish by the end of the current semester. These goals can focus on teaching skills, classroom management skills, lesson planning, facilitating student interaction, etc, just make sure the goals are important to you and are areas that you haven’t already mastered. Please be realistic and set goals that can reasonably be met in the prescribed time frame. **Please email them to Dr. Williams by 5 PM on January 27th** This way I can work with you to help you move towards accomplishing your goals by the end of the semester.

**Professional Growth Paper due 4/24/17 by 5 PM**

In this paper you will reflect on the professional growth in reflective teaching that you have achieved throughout the semester.  Please connect your reflections back to theory or standards. This paper should be 3-4 pages long. Questions that should be answered are:

1. Describe the journey that you have taken towards the goals that you set at the beginning of the semester. How did you meet these goals, or what challenges prevented you from meeting these goals?
2. What did you learn from this internship that surprised you the most?
3. Describe a critical incident that occurred in your ELL classroom this semester and explain how this event changed your views on teaching ELLs.
4. Describe how your connection with the institution and community in which you were teaching has influenced your professional growth.

**See Appendix C**

**Formal Classroom Observations**

Each intern will be observed by the Auburn supervisor (Dr. Williams) three times throughout the course of the semester. The lesson should be a complete lesson that can be evaluated as a stand alone lesson or activity. Each observation must be scheduled and confirmed with Dr. Williams at least 48 hours before the lesson is actually taught. On the day of the observation, each intern should provide Dr. Williams with a copy of the lesson plan that is being taught, and the completed pre-observation report with a blank copy of the evaluation rubric. Please see **Appendix A**. After the observation, a time must be scheduled shortly thereafter to discuss the observation with Dr. Williams. The observations are designed to help you analyze and improve your teaching skills.

**Track A only:**

**Your observations of teachers in the classroom**

When you observe teachers, your goal is not to evaluate their teaching practices. You are merely to describe what you see and hear. You should feel comfortable showing all observation notes to the teachers you observe. If you describe individual students in your observation write-up, you should assign a pseudonym and not use their real name. I would suggest trying several different foci throughout the course of the semester as the classroom is a rich data environment and it is not possible to capture every aspect of teaching and learning for every observation. Possible foci include the following

* Organization of the lesson- how does the teacher begin, structure and close the lesson.
* Time management- how much time is allotted to each activity and how that contributes to student learning, and how does the teacher transition between activities.
* Students’ performance on tasks- the strategies, procedures and interaction patterns that the student use to complete a task.
* Time-on-task- the extent to which students are actively engaged in a task, and the steps that the teacher takes to maximize student participation.
* Teacher’s questions and student responses- The types of questions that were asked during a lesson and the responses from the students.
* Students’ performance during pair work/ group work- the way that students completed a pair work task (roles, division of labor, etc), the responses that they made during a task and the type of language that was used during the task.
* Classroom interaction- teacher-student and student-student interaction patterns during a lesson.
* Use of the textbook/materials- To what extent was the textbook used, and how was the textbook used to facilitate student learning?

**Observation Logs will be handed in twice (3/19/15 and 4/21/15). You should complete a separate log for each observation.**- These reflections allow me to understand your ‘thought processes’ and your ‘beliefs/values’ about teaching and learning. It also allows me to comment and give you an outside perspective. They do not need to be extensive just one page. See Rubric B

**For Track B Only :**Throughout the semester you will keep a daily **Reflective Journal** (RJ) of your experiences in your placement. This journal should include, but is not limited to: informal transcriptions of interviews/conversations with students and teachers, observations of students and teachers, analyses of school documents you collect, descriptions of school functions you attend, reflections on lessons you teach, questions for your Auburn supervisor, insights gained from your experiences, ideas for future teaching, inquiries about specific students or groups of students, etc. This journal can take many different shapes—it can be a series of email exchanges with a colleague about teaching issues, a blog, transcriptions of audiotaped conversations with your classmates, or a more traditional daily or a weekly diary. Use the format that best suits your writing style and personal preferences. Please consider the steps of the reflection cycle as you write your journal: Select, Describe, Analyze, Appraise, & Transform. See Appendix D.

**Grading and Evaluation Procedures:**

A grade of Satisfactory or Unsatisfactory is assigned. Students must satisfy all objectives to receive a satisfactory grade.

Evaluation:

The Alabama State Board of Education requires all students completing teacher certification programs to be assessed using the Alabama Quality Teaching Standards and program-specific standards. Assessments used during Clinical Residency to assess these standards are (1) the Professional Work Sample and (2) the Inventory of Candidate Proficiencies. Information regarding the following is provided in the attachments:

* alignment of state standards with the College’s 15 candidate proficiencies – performance assessment templates
* alignment of candidate proficiencies with the key assessments

The final Clinical Residency grade (S, U) is determined by the university supervisor and the cooperating teacher based on the key assessments which include a holistic evaluation of the student’s performance throughout the semester (e.g., Inventory of Candidate Proficiencies).

**8. Class Policy Statements:**

1. Attendance: Attendance is required for all classes unless excused prior to class meeting.
   1. Excused absences: Students are granted excused absences from class for the following reasons: illness of the student or serious illness of a member of the student’s immediate family, the death of a member of the student’s immediate family, trips for student organizations sponsored by an academic unit, trips for university classes, trips for participation in intercollegiate athletic events, subpoena for a court appearance, and religious holidays. Students who wish to have an excused absence from class for any other reason must contact the instructor in advance of the absence to request permission. The instructor will weigh the merits of the request and render a decision. When feasible, the student must notify the instructor prior to the occurrence of any excused absences, but in no case shall such notification occur more than one week after the absence. Appropriate documentation for all excused absences is required. Please see the *Tiger Cub* for more information on excused absences. It is the student’s responsibility to notify the cooperating teacher of the absence.
   2. Make-Up Policy: Arrangement to make up missed work due to properly authorized excused absences must be initiated by the student within one week of the end of the period of the excused absences(s). Except in unusual circumstances, such as the continued absence of the student or the advent of university holidays, make-up work will be completed within two weeks of the date that the student initiates arrangements for it. Except in extraordinary circumstance, no make-up work will be arranged during the last three days before the final exam period begins.
2. Academic Honesty Policy: All portions of the Auburn University student academic honesty code found in University Policies (<https://sites.auburn.edu/admin/universitypolicies/default.aspx>)will apply to university courses. All academic honesty violations or alleged violations of the SGA Code of Laws will be reported to the Office of the Provost, which will then refer the case to the Academic Honesty Committee
3. Disability Accommodations: Students who need accommodations are asked to arrange a meeting during office hours the first week of classes, or as soon as possible if accommodations are needed immediately. If you have a conflict with my office hours, an alternate time can be arranged. To set up this meeting, please contact me by e-mail. If you have not established accommodations through the PSD office, but need accommodations, make an appointment with The Program for Students with Disabilities, 1228 Haley Center, 844-2096 (V/TT).
4. Course contingency : If normal class and/or lab activities are disrupted due to illness, emergency, or crisis situation, the syllabus and other course plans and assignments may be modified to allow completion of the course. If this occurs, and addendum to your syllabus and/or course assignments will replace the original materials.
5. 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:
   1. Engage in responsible and ethical professional practices
   2. Contribute to collaborative learning communities
   3. Demonstrate a commitment to diversity
   4. Model and nurture intellectual vitality
6. Professionalism Conduct Code
   1. Clothing should be neat and professional. Men should wear pants (not jeans) and a shirt/sweater- T-shirts and sweat shirts are inappropriate. Women can wear pants or skirts, however, they should not be really tight or short. T-Shirts, and spaghetti strap shirts are not appropriate for the classroom. Wear clothing that is not too low-cut.
   2. You should take off your coat during classroom teaching and observations.
   3. You should be punctual in arriving at the placement, in getting to the class for your lessons, and in the discharge of all professional duties. If you are running late, you should notify your cooperating teacher. You are not allowed to leave early as this disrupts the students’ learning
   4. Please remember you are a guest at your placement. You are to treat the faculty and students with the utmost respect and not interfere with the daily learning practices that the school has set in place. If a difficulty arises, you can be reassigned to a different placement.

**9. Justification for Graduate Credit:**

CTRD 7920 provides students with the opportunity to develop graduate-level skills in a professional context through supervised experience. The Clinical Residency promotes the integration of theory, research, and practice in a professional context and fosters self-directed professional development.