

EDU783

Steiner Curriculum Development and Evaluation

School: School of Education and Tertiary Access

2026 | Trimester 1

UniSC Sunshine Coast

BLENDED
LEARNING

Most of your course is on campus but you may be able to do some components of this course online.

Online

ONLINE

You can do this course without coming onto campus, unless your program has specified a mandatory onsite requirement.

Please go to usc.edu.au for up to date information on the teaching sessions and campuses where this course is usually offered.

1. What is this course about?

1.1. Description

In this course you will investigate Steiner's curriculum indications. You will critique and evaluate Steiner's pedagogical framework within a contemporary educational context.

1.2. How will this course be delivered?

ACTIVITY	HOURS	BEGINNING WEEK	FREQUENCY
BLENDED LEARNING			
Learning materials – You are required to engage with online pre-recorded presentations and asynchronous materials and activities prior to attending the workshop tutorials (both the weekly classes and the intensive).	1hr	Week 1	6 times
Tutorial/Workshop 1 – This will be run in dual mode with a live Zoom tutorial/workshop in real-time but will be recorded for those who cannot make the session.	2hrs	Week 1	6 times
Tutorial/Workshop 2 – A two day Intensive follows the 6 weeks of classes. It will be delivered in dual mode synchronously and asynchronously supported by technology-enabled learning and teaching including zoom.	7hrs	Week 7	2 times
ONLINE			
Learning materials – You are required to engage with online pre-recorded presentations and asynchronous materials and activities prior to attending the workshop tutorials (both the classes and the intensive).	1hr	Week 1	6 times
Tutorial/Workshop 1 – This will be run in dual mode with a live Zoom tutorial/workshop in real-time but will be recorded for those who cannot make the session.	2hrs	Week 1	6 times
Tutorial/Workshop 2 – A two day Intensive follows the 6 weeks of classes. It will be delivered in dual mode synchronously and asynchronously supported by technology-enabled learning and teaching including zoom.	7hrs	Week 7	2 times

1.3. Course Topics

- Introduction to Curriculum
- Introduction to Steiner Curriculum Indications
- Historical survey of Steiner curriculum development and research
- Curriculum evaluation models
- Child development and Child Study
- Teaching methods and strategies
- Challenges of the changing context of the Steiner curriculum
- Re-Imagining the Steiner curriculum

2. What level is this course?

700 Level (Specialised)

Demonstrating a specialised body of knowledge and set of skills for professional practice or further learning. Advanced application of knowledge and skills in unfamiliar contexts.

3. What is the unit value of this course?

12 units

4. How does this course contribute to my learning?

COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES		GRADUATE QUALITIES
On successful completion of this course, you should be able to...		Completing these tasks successfully will contribute to you becoming...
1	Critically evaluate Steiner/Waldorf curriculum principles	Creative and critical thinker Ethical Sustainability-focussed
2	Critically evaluate how to enact Steiner/Waldorf curriculum principles in contemporary educational contexts.	Creative and critical thinker Empowered Engaged
3	Create new approaches and concepts in response to Steiner/Waldorf curriculum principles.	Creative and critical thinker Sustainability-focussed
4	Written and oral communication skills, academic literacies including English expression, grammar, spelling, punctuation, APA referencing conventions.	Empowered

5. Am I eligible to enrol in this course?

Refer to the [UniSC Glossary of terms](#) for definitions of “pre-requisites, co-requisites and anti-requisites”.

5.1. Pre-requisites

Enrolled in Program ED510 or ED705

5.2. Co-requisites

Not applicable

5.3. Anti-requisites

Not applicable

5.4. Specific assumed prior knowledge and skills (where applicable)

Not applicable

6. How am I going to be assessed?

6.1. Grading Scale

Standard Grading (GRD)

High Distinction (HD), Distinction (DN), Credit (CR), Pass (PS), Fail (FL).

6.2. Details of early feedback on progress

Assessment tasks will be submitted in weeks 1 to 6

6.3. Assessment tasks

DELIVERY MODE	TASK NO.	ASSESSMENT PRODUCT	INDIVIDUAL OR GROUP	WEIGHTING %	WHAT IS THE DURATION / LENGTH?	WHEN SHOULD I SUBMIT?	WHERE SHOULD I SUBMIT IT?
All	1	Written Piece	Individual	30%	100 to 250 words per item	Refer to Format	Online Assignment Submission with plagiarism check
All	2	Examination - not Centrally Scheduled	Individual	20%	10 minutes	Week 8	Online Assignment Submission with plagiarism check
All	3	Portfolio	Individual	50%	3000 words	Week 11	Online Assignment Submission with plagiarism check

All - Assessment Task 1: Reflective Journal

GOAL:	The goal of this task is to critically evaluate the learning materials and learning activities weekly during the first six weeks		
PRODUCT:	Written Piece		
FORMAT:	One short blog submitted weekly during weeks one to six		
CRITERIA:	No.		Learning Outcome assessed
	1	Critique of how to enact Steiner/Waldorf curriculum principles in contemporary educational contexts	2
	2	Demonstrated application of written communication skills and academic literacies including English expression, grammar, spelling, punctuation, APA referencing conventions.	4
GENERIC SKILLS:	Communication, Collaboration, Problem solving, Organisation		

All - Assessment Task 2: Enacting Steiner Curriculum

GOAL:	The goal of this task is to demonstrate the application of Steiner curriculum principles in a contemporary educational context.		
PRODUCT:	Examination - not Centrally Scheduled		
FORMAT:	Oral online examination (viva) due Friday Weeks 6 to 8. You will need to make a short oral presentation without the use of visual or media props after which you will be asked to respond to unknown and unprepared questions and to questions asked by your colleagues.		
CRITERIA:	No.		Learning Outcome assessed
	1	Demonstrated application of how to enact Steiner/Waldorf curriculum indications in contemporary educational contexts	1
	2	Demonstrated application of oral and written communication skills.	4
GENERIC SKILLS:	Communication, Organisation, Applying technologies		

All - Assessment Task 3: Critical and Creative Review of Steiner Curriculum

GOAL:	The goal of this task is to review, in a critical and creative way, how the curriculum principles can be enacted in contemporary educational contexts.		
PRODUCT:	Portfolio		
FORMAT:	This is a portfolio in which you will critically reflect on your record of your learning over the whole course. You will need to provide evidence of your participation and critical reflection on the learning materials, readings, weekly tutorial discussions and discussions during the Intensive in which you express your individual and unique point of view. A task sheet will be provided that identifies three main sections for your critical and creative evaluation: Steiner principles, their application and your creative response to them.		
CRITERIA:	No.		Learning Outcome assessed
	1	Demonstrated critique of Steiner/Waldorf curriculum principles	1
	2	Demonstrated application of how to enact Steiner/Waldorf curriculum principles in contemporary educational contexts	2
	3	The creation of an artefact or other form of creative response and a supporting rationale	3
	4	Demonstrated application of written communication skills.	4
GENERIC SKILLS:	Communication, Problem solving, Organisation		

7. Directed study hours

A 12-unit course will have total of 150 learning hours which will include directed study hours (including online if required), self-directed learning and completion of assessable tasks. Student workload is calculated at 12.5 learning hours per one unit.

8. What resources do I need to undertake this course?

Please note: Course information, including specific information of recommended readings, learning activities, resources, weekly readings, etc. are available on the course Canvas site– Please log in as soon as possible.

8.1. Prescribed text(s) or course reader

There are no required/recommended resources for this course.

8.2. Specific requirements

For online elements access to a computer and Internet is required.

9. How are risks managed in this course?

Health and safety risks for this course have been assessed as low. It is your responsibility to review course material, search online, discuss with lecturers and peers and understand the health and safety risks associated with your specific course of study and to familiarise yourself with the University's general health and safety principles by reviewing the [online induction training for students](#), and following the instructions of the University staff.

10. What administrative information is relevant to this course?

10.1. Assessment: Academic Integrity

Academic integrity is the ethical standard of university participation. It ensures that students graduate as a result of proving they are competent in their discipline. This is integral in maintaining the value of academic qualifications. Each industry has expectations and standards of the skills and knowledge within that discipline and these are reflected in assessment.

Academic integrity means that you do not engage in any activity that is considered to be academic fraud; including plagiarism, collusion or outsourcing any part of any assessment item to any other person. You are expected to be honest and ethical by completing all work yourself and indicating in your work which ideas and information were developed by you and which were taken from others. You cannot provide your assessment work to others. You are also expected to provide evidence of wide and critical reading, usually by using appropriate academic references.

In order to minimise incidents of academic fraud, this course may require that some of its assessment tasks, when submitted to Canvas, are electronically checked through Turnitin. This software allows for text comparisons to be made between your submitted assessment item and all other work to which Turnitin has access.

10.2. Assessment: Additional Requirements

Eligibility for Supplementary Assessment

Your eligibility for supplementary assessment in a course is dependent of the following conditions applying:

- (a) The final mark is in the percentage range 47% to 49.4%; and
- (b) The course is graded using the Standard Grading scale

Eligibility for Supplementary Assessment

Your eligibility for supplementary assessment in a course is dependent of the following conditions applying:

The final mark is in the percentage range 47% to 49.4%

The course is graded using the Standard Grading scale

You have not failed an assessment task in the course due to academic misconduct

10.3. Assessment: Submission penalties

Late submissions may be penalised up to and including the following maximum percentage of the assessment task's identified value, with weekdays and weekends included in the calculation of days late:

- (a) One day: deduct 5%;
- (b) Two days: deduct 10%;
- (c) Three days: deduct 20%;
- (d) Four days: deduct 40%;
- (e) Five days: deduct 60%;
- (f) Six days: deduct 80%;
- (g) Seven days: A result of zero is awarded for the assessment task.

The following penalties will apply for a late submission for an online examination:

Less than 15 minutes: No penalty

From 15 minutes to 30 minutes: 20% penalty

More than 30 minutes: 100% penalty

10.4. SafeUniSC

UniSC is committed to a culture of respect and providing a safe and supportive environment for all members of our community. For immediate assistance on campus contact SafeUniSC by phone: [07 5430 1168](tel:0754301168) or using the [SafeZone](#) app. For general enquires contact the SafeUniSC team by phone [07 5456 3864](tel:0754563864) or email safe@usc.edu.au.

The SafeUniSC Specialist Service is a Student Wellbeing service that provides free and confidential support to students who may have experienced or observed behaviour that could cause fear, offence or trauma. To contact the service call [07 5430 1226](tel:0754301226) or email studentwellbeing@usc.edu.au.

10.5. Study help

For help with course-specific advice, for example what information to include in your assessment, you should first contact your tutor, then your course coordinator, if needed.

If you require additional assistance, the Learning Advisers are trained professionals who are ready to help you develop a wide range of academic skills. Visit the [Learning Advisers](#) web page for more information, or contact Student Central for further assistance: +61 7 5430 2890 or studentcentral@usc.edu.au.

10.6. Wellbeing Services

Student Wellbeing provide free and confidential counselling on a wide range of personal, academic, social and psychological matters, to foster positive mental health and wellbeing for your academic success.

To book a confidential appointment go to [Student Hub](#), email studentwellbeing@usc.edu.au or call 07 5430 1226.

10.7. AccessAbility Services

Ability Advisers ensure equal access to all aspects of university life. If your studies are affected by a disability, learning disorder mental health issue, injury or illness, or you are a primary carer for someone with a disability or who is considered frail and aged, [AccessAbility Services](#) can provide access to appropriate reasonable adjustments and practical advice about the support and facilities available to you throughout the University.

To book a confidential appointment go to [Student Hub](#), email AccessAbility@usc.edu.au or call 07 5430 2890.

10.8. Links to relevant University policy and procedures

For more information on Academic Learning & Teaching categories including:

- Assessment: Courses and Coursework Programs
- Review of Assessment and Final Grades
- Supplementary Assessment
- Central Examinations
- Deferred Examinations
- Student Conduct
- Students with a Disability

For more information, visit <https://www.usc.edu.au/explore/policies-and-procedures#academic-learning-and-teaching>

10.9. Student Charter

UniSC is committed to excellence in teaching, research and engagement in an environment that is inclusive, inspiring, safe and respectful. The [Student Charter](#) sets out what students can expect from the University, and what in turn is expected of students, to achieve these outcomes.

10.10. General Enquiries

In person:

- **UniSC Sunshine Coast** - Student Central, Ground Floor, Building C, 90 Sippy Downs Drive, Sippy Downs
- **UniSC Moreton Bay** - Service Centre, Ground Floor, Foundation Building, Gympie Road, Petrie
- **UniSC SouthBank** - Student Central, Building A4 (SW1), 52 Merivale Street, South Brisbane
- **UniSC Gympie** - Student Central, 71 Cartwright Road, Gympie
- **UniSC Fraser Coast** - Student Central, Student Central, Building A, 161 Old Maryborough Rd, Hervey Bay
- **UniSC Caboolture** - Student Central, Level 1 Building J, Cnr Manley and Tallon Street, Caboolture

Tel: +61 7 5430 2890

Email: studentcentral@usc.edu.au