

Texas A&M University-San Antonio
College of Education & Human Development
Department of Curriculum & Instruction

EDCI 1301 Introduction to Education

A. MAJOR COURSE REQUIREMENTS:

- Texas Teacher Certification Project
- TEKS Scavenger Hunt
- Writing Student Learning Objectives (SLOs)
- Lesson Planning Quiz
- Educator Interview & Reflection
- Mixed Reality Simulation Reflection
- Career Reflection Paper
- Junior Achievement Teaching Experience

B. LEARNING OBJECTIVES:

- Reflect on their understanding of themselves as students and as teachers.
- Explore their opinions on contemporary issues of education.
- Gain an understanding of Texas teacher certification.
- Reflect on which types of certification they may want to pursue.
- Gain an understanding of the content and pedagogical knowledge necessary to obtain certification.
- Evaluate lesson plans for their effectiveness and alignment with TEKS.
- Unpack the TEKS
- Deliver a mini lesson aligned to the TEKS.

C. REQUIRED READINGS

Readings posted in Blackboard

Websites: BlackBoard

D. LECTURE & DISCUSSION TOPICS:

- The Teaching Profession
- Types of Teacher Certification
- The Teacher Certification Process
- TEExES Preparation
- Texas Teacher Code of Ethics
- Pedagogy: TEKS, SLOs, & Lesson Planning
- Interacting with Students: Mixed Reality Simulation & Junior Achievement