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**SAN ANTONIO**

**EDCI 3315: Approaches and Methods to ESL**

Texas A&M University-San Antonio  
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**REQUIRED TEXTBOOK(S) and MATERIALS**

A textbook is not required for this course. Students will access articles provided by the professor. Additionally, students will use 240 Tutoring.

**COURSE DESCRIPTION**

This course will prepare teacher candidates to teach English Learners in both bilingual and monolingual classroom settings. An emphasis will be placed on the process of first- and second-language acquisition and development. Program models, methodologies, and strategies that best meet the needs of emergent bilingual students will be explored.

**COURSE COMPONENTS**

LECTURE OR DISCUSSION TOPICS:  
Integrated Language Teaching  
Language Acquisition

Culturally Responsive Instruction  
Linguistic Domains and ELs  
Structuring and Planning Content Language Integrated Lessons

**STANDARDS**

**DOMAIN I: LANGUAGE CONCEPTS AND LANGUAGE ACQUISITION**

Competency 001-The ESL teacher understands fundamental language concepts and knows the structure and conventions of the English Language.

Competency 002- The ESL teacher understands the process of first-language (L1) and second-language (L2) acquisition and the interrelatedness of L1 and L2 development.

**DOMAIN II: ESL INSTRUCTION AND ASSESSMENT**

Competency 003-The ESL teacher understands ESL teaching methods and uses this knowledge to plan and implement effective, grade level appropriate instruction.

Competency 004-The ESL teacher understands how to promote students' communicative language development in English.

Competency 005-The ESL teacher understands how to promote students' literacy development in English.

Competency 006-The ESL teacher understands how to promote students' content-area learning, academic language development and achievement across the curriculum.

Competency 007-The ESL teacher understands formal and informal assessment procedures and instruments used in ESL programs and uses assessment results to plan and adapt instruction.

**DOMAIN III: FOUNDATIONS OF ESL EDUCATION CULTURAL AWARENESS AND FAMILY AND COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT**

Competency 008- The ESL teacher understands the foundations of ESL education and types of ESL programs.

Competency 009- The ESL teacher understands factors that affect ESL students' learning and implements strategies for creating an effective and multilingual learning environment.

Competency 010: The ESL teacher knows how to serve as an advocate for ESL students and facilitate family and community involvement in their education.