#### Multicultural Literature for Children and Young Adults LIST 5354

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## Catalog

LIST 5354 Multicultural Literature for Children and Young Adults (3-0). Study of literature for Description: children and young adults which reflects the culture and experiences of African Americans, Asian Americans, Mexican Americans, and Native Americans, and other cultural groups. Consideration of selection guidelines, evaluation of literary quality as well as cultural authenticity and teaching applications, including adaptations for culturally and linguistically diverse populations.

#### Instructor Statement

This course explores current theory and research regarding multicultural teaching with a special focus on using children's and young adults' literature to develop multicultural awareness and understanding. The purpose of this course is to learn about multicultural literature for children and young adults through extensive reading. The emphasis will be on reading and responding to a multitude of novels, picturebooks, poetry, and nonfiction representing the experiences of various American and international cultures. In addition, students will develop the ability to analyze and critique multicultural literature using appropriate criteria. The most current research in the field will ground both theory and practice, including understanding, selecting, and evaluating multicultural literature, as well as integrating such literature into the curriculum.

#### Objectives

Students enrolled in LIST 5354 will have an opportunity to learn the theory, pedagogical practices, and author/illustrator craft of multicultural children's and young adult literature. Successful students will:

- 1. demonstrate knowledge of the goals and purposes of multicultural education with regard to the special role of children's literature.
- 2. demonstrate familiarity with children's and young adult literature of major cultures within the United States: African American, Asian American, Hispanic/Latino American, and Native American, as well as for other cultural groups, international children's literature, and for topical categories such as literature related to gender, disabilities, sexual preference, etc.
- 3. develop a knowledge base of contemporary authors, illustrators, poets, and publishers of multicultural juvenile literature.
- 4. demonstrate knowledge of the major awards and recommendations given in the field of children's literature including the Coretta Scott King Award, the Pura Belpre Award, and others.
- 5. demonstrate the ability to select and critically evaluate literature based on literary quality and appeal to youth, and on aspects of cultural authenticity and accurate representation.
- 6. demonstrate knowledge of appropriate reference and resource materials for selecting and evaluating multicultural literature for children, as well as for keeping current with changes in

- the field and building their knowledge base of recent trends and topics in research in multicultural children's literature.
- 7. investigate and develop resources and techniques for introducing and sharing multicultural literature with children and young adults, and for stimulating and extending readers' responses to literature.
- 8. demonstrate the ability to communicate about multicultural literature for children and young adults, including introducing books, guiding children's responses, developing projects, and highlighting author profiles with an audience.

#### Required Texts:

Critical Multicultural Analysis of Children's Literature: Mirrors, Windows, and Doors, (2009). Botelho & Rudman. NY: Routledge. Available in paper, as an ebook to purchase, and as an ebook to rent.

Other materials will be posted or linked in Blackboard. These may be PDF or media files you can download, emails, or comments embedded into Discussion Forums. You are expected to use all materials everything that are assigned and refer to them in your assignments.

#### Other Required Material

15 children's and YA books – picturebooks, poetry books, or novels as indicated on the list of choices below. No one book can be used to meet more than one requirement. Please pay close attention to the due dates on the calendar, because the book schedule aligns to course content.

#### Children's & Module Two

## Literature

- Young Adult 🖈 One African-American picture book illustrated by Jerry Pinkney or Brian Pinkney must focus on African-American culture (e.g. John Henry, Minty, Sweethearts of Rhythm, or Ella Fitzgerald).
  - One novel by Jacqueline Woodson or Angela Johnson (e.g. Locomotion or The First Part Last).
  - ★ One Coretta Scott King Award-winning or honor picturebook, novel, or poetry book of your choice by an African American author and/or illustrator.

#### **Module Three**

- One picture book or poetry collection by Pat Mora (e.g. Abuelos, or Yum! Mmmm! Que Rico!
- ★ One novel or poetry book with a Latino focus written by Gary Soto (e.g. The Afterlife, or Partly Cloudy) or Pam Muñoz Ryan (e.g. Saving Naomi Leon, or Esperanza Rising).
- One <u>Pura Belpre Award-winning</u> or honor picture book, novel, or poetry book of your choice.
- ★ One picture book or novel with a Native American focus by Joseph Bruchac (e.g. *Code Talker*, or Raccoon's Last Race).
- One American Indian Youth Literature Award-winning or honor picturebook, novel, or poetry book of your choice.

#### **Module Four**

- ★ One picture book by Allen Say with a Japanese-American focus (e.g. *Tea with Milk,* or *Erika-San*).
- ★ One Chinese-American novel by Grace Lin (e.g. Where the Mountain Meets the Moon, or The Year of the Doa).
- ★ One Asian Pacific American Award for Literature (APALL) Award-winning or honor picturebook, novel, or poetry book.
- Any YA book by Randa Abdel-Fattah, Marina Budhos, or Naomi Shihab Nye.

- ★ One international book from 2006 present on the Outstanding International Books list.
- One picturebook or novel written for children or YA from The Over the Rainbow Project or the
- ★ One Schneider Family Book Award or honor list picturebook or novel of your choice that focuses on a character with disabilities.

Note:

This course is an intensive reading course. The only way to build your understanding of children's and young adults' literature is to keep reading it, and reading about it. You are expected to read everything assigned, to think deeply and critically, and to respond accordingly. In general, you should expect to spend about 10 hours per week in doing the work required of any 3-hour university-level course.

UTA Library: If you need help with any library concerns related to education, you can contact the education library liaison, Andy Herzog at 817-272-7517 or amherzog@uta.edu. He can provide you with valuable help throughout your entire Master's program. As UTA students, there are several options available to you, including checking books from the library via mail if necessary, requesting interlibrary loans, and getting a Tex-Share card that grants you borrowing privileges at other libraries. In addition, the library has video tutorials for things you might find helpful.

Evaluation:

The assignments and point values for this course are:

Assignment	<b>Points Possible</b>	<b>Grading Scale</b>
Layered Identity assignment	10	
Discussions for Modules 1 – 5: Reading Response		
& Replies (5 Modules @ 20 points per Module.	100	A = 400 - 445 (90 - 100%)
Critical Analysis of Children's/YA Books (15 at 15		B = 355 – 399 (80 – 89%)
points each)	225	C = 311 - 354 (70 - 79%)
		F = below 311 ( < 70%)
Plus points for submitting a formatted document	30	
of entire set of revised critical analyses to TK20		
Professional Presentation	80	
Total	445	

#### 1. Layered Identities Assignment (10 points)

Assignment Details:

We all have "layered identities" - we don't fit neatly into one box called Gender, or Race, or Social Class, or Ability. Rudine Sims Bishop (1990) writes about multicultural literature being a window that lets us see other people, and a mirror that reflects ourselves. In this assignment, write about your layered identity, so that we have a window to see who you are, and so that you have a mirror to see your reflection. It can be in the form of a narrative or a poem.

- a. Create a Thread in the Discussion Board with your name as the Thread Title.
- b. Paste your writing into your thread.
- c. Read at least 5 of your group-mates' writing, and respond under their Thread. If you see that there is someone with no responses, please respond to there. If responses are about evenly distributed, reply to whichever ones you would like.
- d. As a courtesy, respond to those who have responded to you.

#### 2. Discussion Board Reading Response and Replies has TWO parts (a) Response and b) Replies. (20 points per Module = 100 points)

You will engage in an electronic discussion in response to the textbook, online course material, and children's and young adult books.

Format & Content: Please arrange your posts in the sequence that follows, with the required sections and subheadings. A template is provided in the Blackboard Discussion folder for each Module.

Part A: Response: You will submit to your Group Discussion Board a reading response summarizing and linking the textbook and other online material (as indicated in the schedule), as well as personal

reactions to the material. You should make ONLY ONE original response posting per module, no matter how many chapters/lessons you read. The posting should synthesize the information for all the textbook chapters and other material read as well as connections to children's and young adult literature. When you post, use this thread name: Your Name - Response Module 1, etc. Include the following sections:

- TWO Key Points I Learned/I Found Interesting from the Textbook and Online Readings: Cite at least 2 specific pieces of research, findings, suggestions from the textbook and course material, noting the chapter/page/author and what was learned that was new/interesting. Cite how these points relate to your developing understanding of multicultural literature with personal reactions, responses, and/or critical analysis.
- FOUR Personal Responses to the Children's/Young Adult Books and Connections to Text and other Reading: Cite at least 4 personal responses related to the children's/young adult books and their connection to the related session and text reading. Connect your personal responses to teaching through a critical analysis. (These can be key pieces pulled from your Critical Analyses of Children's/YA Books. \*Because Module 1 does not have children's or YA books, for Module 1 ONLY, this section will be a continued discussion of the Module 1 assigned reading.
- **ONE question for further study:** Ask at least one relevant question worthy of further study, as a means to engage in conversation on and about children's literature. The question should relate to the particular topics presented in that Module, and should explore topics that interest you as you think about the professional development session you will develop.

**Part B: Replies:** Following response posting, you will return to the discussion board to read and reply to at least five peer responses. Label replies as Reply Module 1A, Reply Module 1B, etc. The format for the reply part of this assignment is as follows.

- You may reply directly to the content of a post.
- You may respond to a question for further study a group mate has asked.
- You may reply to the same peer more than once as long as each reply contributes something meaningful to the conversation.

Please reply to posts that have no other replies first. It would be good if everyone in your group had at least one reply. If replies are about evenly distributed, you may reply to posts as you wish. Continued and engaged conversation is the most valuable.

#### **GRADING RUBRIC for Discussions**

Tasks for Part A	Expert	Acceptable	Unacceptable	
Reading Response				
Format Fully follows the red format, and provide additional details		Follows required format for review	Does not follow the required format, and/or sections are missing	
	1 point	1 point	0 points	
Two Key Points	Notes at least two key points. Posts draw from the text and other course materials, with excellent elaboration, in depth insights, and specific examples	Notes two points drawn from the text and other course materials, and offers insights, application to classrooms, and examples	Notes fewer than two points, and/or points are limited or superficial	
	4 points	2 – 3 points	0 – 1 point	

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Four personal	Notes at least four	Notes three personal	Fewer than three
responses to	developed responses to	responses related to	personal responses; no
Children's and YA	relevant children's and YA	children's and YA books,	connections made to the
Books in relation to	books, and explains their	connected to the specific specific Module.	
the assigned	connection to the related	Module reading.	
professional reading	Module reading. Includes		
	a critical analysis.		
	3 points	2 points	0 – 1 point
One Point for	Notes at least one key	Notes one key issue or	Does not note interest in
Further Study	issue or piece of	piece of information from	an idea or issue for
	information from the text	the text or other course	further exploration.
	or other course materials	materials that would be	
	that would be interesting	interesting for further	
	for further study, with a	study.	
	detailed explanation.	,	
	2 points	1 point	0 points
Tasks for Replies	Expert	Acceptable	Unacceptable
Format	Posts at least five	Posts four required	Does not follow format
	required replies	replies according to the	for replies or make
	according to the required	required format.	required number of
	format and participates in		replies.
	ongoing engagement		
	3 points	2 point	0-1 points
Quality of Replies	All replies reflect well	Replies reflect	Replies reflect limited
Quality of Replies	developed understanding	understanding of reading	understanding or
	of reading and synthesis	and some synthesis of	synthesis of reading with
	of material with personal	material with personal	few personal connections
	connections and	connections and	or limited application of
	application of material to	application of material to	material to classroom
	classroom settings.	classroom settings.	settings.
	ciassiooni settings.	ciassi oom settings.	settings.
	4 points	2-3 points	0–1 points
Extension of	Engages in genuine, in-	Engages in good	Engages in limited
Dialogue	depth discussion with	discussion with peers,	discussion with peers or
	peers, providing well-	providing support and	limited extension of the
	developed support and	encouragement and	dialogue.
	encouragement and	some extension of the	alalogue.
	extensions of the	dialogue.	
		uialogue.	
	dialogue.		
	3 points	2 points	0 – 1 point
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## 3. Critical Analysis of Children's /Young Adult Literature (15 Analyses at 15 points each; total 225 points)

You will be reading a total of 15 titles of children's/young adult literature. For each book, you will submit a response in the form of a Critical Analysis —about 2 single-spaced pages per book. Include bibliographic data in a  $modified^*$  APA  $6^{th}$  format, a brief (1-2 paragraph) summary of the book, your critical analysis of the book based on the professional reading for the Module and Botelho & Rudman, and instructional connections for practically applying this in classrooms. Your critical analysis should reflect thought on your part. For example, in what way did you gain a window into another person's

experiences, and in what ways did you see a reflection of yourself (a mirror). How did this book compare to what you learned in your professional reading?

NOTE: Review the books' contents; analyze the style and substance of the books, and *give special consideration to themes and cultural markers particular to each culture* in every critical analysis. Cite professional readings; it will always be appropriate to cite Botelho & Rudman, and you should also cite readings for each individual module. For the purposes of this course, you will choose children's and YA books by authors from within the designated cultural group for that session, as well as books specifically about the designated culture. For example, Jerry Pinkney is an African American author, but his book, a retelling of Hans Christian Andersen's tale, *The Ugly Duckling*, is NOT an African American book and would NOT be an acceptable choice for this course.

For each book review you will include the following components:

a. Bibliographic data in a *modified\** APA 6<sup>th</sup> format. Be sure to cite the author, year of publication, title, illustrator (if there is one), location, and publisher. As a modification, we will use *complete* author and illustrator names so that you become familiar with these names.

#### Example:

Pomerantz, Charlotte. (1980). *The tamarindo puppy.* Illus. Byron Barton. NY: Mulberry Books.

Also, cite any major awards that the book has won. You can include additional information, such as an image of the book cover and/or of the author/illustrator.

- b. Brief plot summary (1-2 paragraphs)
- c. Critical analysis with specific literary considerations and particularly themes and cultural markers pertinent to each culture, in reference to professional readings (about 1 page) this is the most important part of your review.
- d. Instructional Connections (such as perfect books or media to pair with the required book, text sets around the themes of the book or that support a balanced view of a culture, Internet resources such as YouTube interviews with the author, etc.). (about 1 paragraph, or a bulleted list)

#### **GRADING RUBRIC for Critical Analyses**

Criteria	Expert	Acceptable	Unacceptable	
Format	Fully follows the required format, and provides additional details 2 points	Follows required format.  1 point	Does not follow the required format, and/or sections are missing 0 points	
Bibliographic Data	Is complete, in modified APA 6 <sup>th</sup> citation style. Major book awards are listed.  2 points	Is complete. There may be small APA style errors or missing book awards  1 point	Incomplete, missing significant information  O points	
Book Summary (one paragraph)	Succinct, well-developed original summary of the book 3 points	Basic summary of the book.  1 - 2 points	Limited or poorly written summary of the book  O point	
	5 points	1 - 2 points	ο ροιπί	

Critical Analysis	Fully developed analysis of	Basic analysis of the style	Limited analysis of the	
(about one page	the style and substance of	and substance of the book.	style and substance of the	
single-spaced)	the book. Includes key	Includes themes and	book, and/or the analysis	
	themes and cultural	cultural markers particular	is missing key cultural	
	markers particular to the	to the culture of the book	markers. Limited or poorly	
	culture in the book	reviewed. Personal insights	developed personal	
	reviewed.	related to how the book	insights into how the book	
	Fully developed personal	serves as a mirror and a	serves as a mirror or	
	insights into how the book	window.	window.	
	serves as a mirror and a			
	window.			
	5 points	2-4 points	0 - 1 points	
Instructional	Offers a thoughtful and	Offers an example of	There is no instructional	
Connections	accurately cited set of	another book or other	connection.	
(one paragraph	connections that includes	media, with bibliographic		
or bulleted list)	book(s), media, and/or	citation, that can be paired		
	other resources, as well as	with the book. There is a		
	a brief statement	brief justification for the		
	explaining the pairing and	pairing.		
	a description of how these			
	materials would engage			
	the student.			
	3 points	1-2 points	0 points	

#### 4. Professional Presentation (80 points)

This presentation enables you to synthesize and apply your knowledge of multicultural children's literature. As you progress through the course, you will encounter many new book titles, authors, publishing trends, literary perspectives and practical applications related to multicultural literature. As you explore, consider which area interests you the most. Develop a professional presentation that you can share with your colleagues as a Professional Development session to promote recent multicultural children's/young adult literature and to encourage your colleagues to integrate this literature in the classroom.

In terms of a focus for your presentation, you may:

- provide a general introduction to multicultural literature for children and young adults;
- provide a specific introduction to the literature of a particular culture/group;
- focus on a specific author and his/her works;
- focus on a specific multicultural award for literature for young people (e.g., Coretta Scott King award, Pura Belpre award, etc.)
- focus on an issue or trend within the field of multicultural literature for youth.
- Your presentation should be multimodal using presentation tools such as PowerPoint or Prezi, screen capture software, or video. It should provide visuals as well as a written script, and can include audio narration. More details will be provided in an instruction sheet in Blackboard.

### **GRADING RUBRIC for Professional Presentation**

	Expert	Acceptable	Unacceptable
Format	Fully follows required format	Follows required format	Does not follow format for
	with appropriate	with subheadings and	one or more of the parts.
	subheadings and formal	formal presentation	Grammatical and/or
	presentation language. No	language. There may be	spelling errors that
	grammatical or spelling	minor spelling or	interfere with the overall
	errors. Layout is appealing	grammatical errors that do	presentation.
	and easy to follow.	not interfere with the	
		overall presentation.	
	5 points	2-4 points	0-1 point
Introduces	Well-developed introduction	Good introduction to topic	Limited introduction to
Issue/Topic	to topic (5)	(3-4)	topic (0-2)
(15 points)	Presents strong justification	Presents justification of	Poorly developed
	of significance of topic with	significance of topic with	justification of topic
	key points supported by	points supported by	and/or lacking scholarly
	scholarly research (10)	scholarly research (6-9)	research support (0-5)
	14 – 15 points	8 – 13 points	0-7 points
Cites Key	Demonstrates expert	Demonstrates basic	Demonstrates limited
Authors and	knowledge by citing	knowledge by citing	knowledge; cites examples
<b>Books Reflecting</b>	numerous examples of key	numerous examples of	of some authors and books
the Issue/Topic	authors and books that	authors and books that	that reflect the issue but
(25 points)	reflect the issue and topic	reflect the issue and topic	offers limited connection
	with graphics (book covers,	with graphics (book	to topic (13)
	author photos, etc.) and well	covers, author photos,	
	developed points that	etc.) and points that	
	connect the examples to the	connect the examples to	
	topic/issue	the topic/issue (20)	
	23-25 points	10-22 points	0-9 points
Encourages	Presents well developed	Presents instructional	Poorly developed
integration of	instructional ideas and action	ideas and action plan for	instructional ideas and
literature	plan for integration of these	integration of these	action plan for integration
(25 points)	authors and books into	authors and books into	of these authors and
	classrooms and schools (18-	classrooms and schools (7-	books into classrooms and
	20)	17)	schools (8)
	All points are supported by	Points are supported by	Points are not always
	scholarly research (5)	scholarly research (3-4)	supported by scholarly
			research (2)
	23-25 points	10-22 points	0-9 points

Provides	Provides a full APA 6 <sup>th</sup> format	Provides APA 6 <sup>th</sup> format	Limited bibliography of
Bibliographic	bibliography citing all	bibliography citing	children's and young adult
Citations and	children's and young adult	children's and young adult	literature and scholarly
annotated web	literature noted and all	literature noted and	resources and/or does not
resources	scholarly resources used (5)	scholarly resources used	follow APA 6 <sup>th</sup> format (0-3)
(10 points)	Provides a well-developed	(4)	Limited webliography of
	webliography of more than	Provides a well-developed resources or lacking	
	five helpful web resources	webliography of at least	annotations for each
	with fully developed	five helpful web resources	resource (0-2)
	annotations for each	with annotations for each	
resource (5)		resource (2-4)	
	10 points	6-9 points	0-5 points

#### **POLICIES**

#### **INSTRUCTOR/COURSE POLICIES**

Academic Integrity: Misconduct, dishonesty, plagiarism, cheating, hiring or allowing someone else to do your work, purchasing essays, and other forms of academic dishonesty, or facilitating any such act will not be tolerated. Academic misconduct is an offense against honest students, and children in classes you will teach. Suspicions of it will be reported and are subject to discipline according to UTA policy. Academic dishonesty of any kind may result in the failure of the course, and suspension or expulsion from the University. There are tools provided to professors that can identify academic dishonesty. It is academically dishonest to pass someone else's work off as your own. Don't even think about doing it. The UTA Honor Code should be pasted to the cover sheet of the Critical Analyses and Professional Presentation assignments.

**Due Dates:** Complete all assignments by the due date posted. Pay careful attention to Discussion Forum dates – the first date is for original postings, and the second is for responding to classmates. Assignments submitted late will not be evaluated, and will receive the grade of 0. All discussion areas will be permanently closed after assignment deadlines. Once areas are closed, you will not be able to post in these areas. *There are no exceptions*.

**Back-Up Your Work**: Maintain copies of all work submitted. Be sure to make back-up copies of all work. I suggest having 2 forms of back-up. One of these should be an external space that will be accessible even if your computer is unavailable – for example, a "cloud" service like Dropbox, or emailed to yourself at a web-based provider like Gmail. There are no provisions for handling problems that having a backup copy of your work would have prevented. Hard drive failures, corrupted files, and other technological glitches happen to all of us, and should be anticipated.

"Incomplete" Grades: Grades of Incomplete are given in only the most extreme circumstances – e.g. serious illness, or a death in the immediate family. The circumstance must be documented. In order to request an Incomplete, you must be up to date in all assignments, with an average grade of B or better. Incompletes cannot be given to students who are behind in assignments, or who have an average grade that is below a B. The time-frame for completing all course requirements will be the week before grades are due in the next long semester – i.e. May for Fall incompletes, and December for Spring incompletes. Work submitted to fulfill incomplete grade requirements will not be graded until the end of the next long semester – i.e. May for Fall incompletes, and December for Spring incompletes. Therefore, if a grade for this course is a prerequisite for a course in the immediately following semester, you should not request an Incomplete, because the work will not be graded during winter or summer breaks.

**Attendance:** All students are expected to participate fully. Each week of class replaces a 3-hour course session. At the Master's level, one should expect to spend about 3 hours per week per credit hour per class. Therefore, you should expect to spend up to 12 hours per week on this course.

**Modifications to Syllabus:** As the instructor and designer of this course, I reserve the right to make adjustments to the syllabus if necessary. Students will always be given notice if there is a change.

#### COLLEGE OF EDUCATION AND HEALTH PROFESSIONS POLICIES

**Dispositions**: Each candidate in the Educator and Administrator Unit of the College of Education of UT-Arlington will be evaluated on PROFESSIONAL DISPOSITIONS by faculty and staff. These dispositions have been identified as essential for a highly-qualified educator. Instructors and program directors will work with candidates rated as "unacceptable" in one or more stated criteria. The candidate will have an opportunity to develop a plan to remediate any deficiencies.

These dispositions include:

Demonstrates excellence

Participates in a learner-centered environment and shows respect for self and others

Research-based pedagogy

Participates in on-going collaboration with peers and professionals

Exhibits stewardship of diversity

Advocates use of technology

Shows interest in the learner and the learning process

**TK20 Requirement:** The College of Education and Health Professions has adopted TK20, a comprehensive data management system that provides powerful tools to manage growth and streamline our processes. You will need to subscribe to the program for a one-time only, non-refundable cost of about \$100. You may purchase your subscription online from a link provided on the system's web site or from the UT Arlington Bookstore as you would a textbook or other course materials. Please see the letter from Dean Gerlach and visit http://www.uta.edu/coehp/tk20 for more information.

#### UNIVERSITY POLICIES

Academic Integrity: All students enrolled in this course are expected to adhere to the UT Arlington Honor Code:

I pledge, on my honor, to uphold UT Arlington's tradition of academic integrity, a tradition that values hard work and honest effort in the pursuit of academic excellence.

I promise that I will submit only work that I personally create or contribute to group collaborations, and I will appropriately reference any work from other sources. I will follow the highest standards of integrity and uphold the spirit of the Honor Code.

Americans with Disabilities Act: The University of Texas at Arlington is on record as being committed to both the spirit and letter of all federal equal opportunity legislation, including the *Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)*. All instructors at UT Arlington are required by law to provide "reasonable accommodations" to students with disabilities, so as not to discriminate on the basis of that disability. Any student requiring an accommodation for this course must provide the instructor with official documentation in the form of a letter certified by the staff in the Office for Students with Disabilities, University Hall 102. Only those students who have officially documented a need for an accommodation will have their request honored. Information regarding diagnostic criteria and policies for obtaining disability-based academic accommodations can be found at <a href="https://www.uta.edu/disability">www.uta.edu/disability</a> or by calling the Office for Students with Disabilities at (817) 272-3364.

Adds and Drops: Students may drop or swap (adding and dropping a class concurrently) classes through self-service in MyMav from the beginning of the registration period through the late registration period. After the late registration period, students must see their academic advisor to drop a class or withdraw. Undeclared students must see an advisor in the University Advising Center. Drops can continue through a point two-thirds of the way through the term or session. It is the student's responsibility to officially withdraw if they do not plan to attend after registering. **Students will not be automatically dropped for non-attendance.** Repayment of certain types of financial aid administered through the University may be required as the result of dropping classes or withdrawing. For more information, contact the Office of Financial Aid and Scholarships (<a href="http://wwweb.uta.edu/ses/fao">http://wwweb.uta.edu/ses/fao</a>).

**Electronic Communication:** UT Arlington has adopted MavMail as its official means to communicate with students about important deadlines and events, as well as to transact university-related business regarding financial aid, tuition, grades, graduation, etc. All students are assigned a MavMail account and are responsible for checking the inbox regularly. There is no additional charge to students for using this account, which remains active even after graduation.

Student Support Services: UT Arlington provides a variety of resources and programs designed to help students develop academic skills, deal with personal situations, and better understand concepts and information related to their courses. Resources include tutoring, major-based learning centers, developmental education, advising and mentoring, personal counseling, and federally funded programs. For individualized referrals, students may visit the reception desk at University College (Ransom Hall), call the Maverick Resource Hotline at 817-272-6107, send a message to resources@uta.edu, or view the information at www.uta.edu/resources

**Student Feedback Survey:** At the end of each term, students enrolled in classes categorized as lecture, seminar, or laboratory shall be directed to complete a Student Feedback Survey (SFS). Instructions on how to access the SFS for this course will be sent directly to each student through MavMail approximately 10 days before the end of the term. Each student's feedback enters the SFS database anonymously and is aggregated with that of other students enrolled in the course. UT Arlington's effort to solicit, gather, tabulate, and publish student feedback is required by state law; students are strongly urged to participate. For more information, visit <a href="http://www.uta.edu/sfs">http://www.uta.edu/sfs</a>.

**Final Review Week:** A period of five class days prior to the first day of final examinations in the long sessions shall be designated as Final Review Week. The purpose of this week is to allow students sufficient time to prepare for final examinations. During this week, there shall be no scheduled activities such as required field trips or performances; and no instructor shall assign any themes, research problems or exercises of similar scope that have a completion date during or following this week *unless specified in the class syllabus*. During Final Review Week, an instructor shall not give any examinations constituting 10% or more of the final grade, except makeup tests and laboratory examinations. In addition, no instructor shall give any portion of the final examination during Final Review Week. During this week, classes are held as scheduled. In addition, instructors are not required to limit content to topics that have been previously covered; they may introduce new concepts as appropriate.

### **TOPIC SCHEDULE:**

\*All assignments must be posted by 11:59 p.m. CENTRAL TIME on the date indicated.

	Topic & Required Readings	Assignment	Due Dates
Module 1	Introduction to Children's and Young Adult Multicultural Literature  Entire Rudman & Botelho book	Syllabus quiz Layered Identities and peer conversation  Discussion – original posts and peer discussion	1/19 1/26 & 2/2 2/2 & 2/9
Module 2	African-American literature Professional Reading as posted to Blackboard  Children's and YA literature:  ★ One African-American picture book illustrated by Jerry Pinkney or Brian Pinkney – must focus on African-American culture (e.g. John Henry, Minty, Sweethearts of Rhythm, or Ella Fitzgerald).  ★ One novel by Jacqueline Woodson or Angela Johnson (e.g. Locomotion or The First Part Last)  ★ One Coretta Scott King Award-winning picture book, novel, or poetry book of your choice by an African American author and/or illustrator.	Discussion and peer responses  Critical Analyses	2/16 & 2/23 2/23
Module 3	Latino/a literature, Native American literature Professional Reading as posted to Blackboard  Children's and YA literature:  ★ One picture book or poetry collection by Pat Mora (e.g. Abuelos, or Yum! Mmmm! Que Rico!)  ★ One novel or poetry book with a Latino focus written by Gary Soto (e.g. The Afterlife, or Partly Cloudy).  ★ One Pura Belpre Award-winning picture book, novel, or poetry book of your choice.  ★ One picture book or novel with a Native American focus by Joseph Bruchac (e.g. Code Talker, or Raccoon's Last Race).  ★ One American Indian Youth Literature Award-winning picture book, novel, or poetry book of your choice.	Discussion and peer responses  Critical Analyses	3/9 & 3/16 3/16

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Module 4	Asian-American literature, Middle-Eastern literature Professional Reading as posted to Blackboard  Children's and YA literature:  ★ One picture book by Allen Say with a Japanese-American focus (e.g. Tea with Milk, or Erika-San).  ★ One Chinese-American novel by Grace Lin (e.g. Where the Mountain Meets the Moon, or The Year of the Dog).  ★ One Asian Pacific American Award for Literature (APALL) Award-winning picture book, novel, or poetry book.  ★ Does My Head Look Big in This? Or Ten Things I Hate About Me by Randa Abdel-Fattah, or Ask Me No Questions by Naomi Shihab Nye.	Discussion and peer responses  Critical Analyses	3/23 & 3/30 3/30
Module 5	International literature, and Other Forms of Diversity Professional Reading as posted to Blackboard  Children's and YA literature:  ★ One international picture book or novel from 2006 − present Outstanding International Books list.  ★ One picture book or novel from The Over the Rainbow Project.  ★ One Schneider Family Book Award-winning picture book or novel of your choice that focuses on a character with disabilities.  Complete document, formatted, revised, spell-checked, etc. posted to TK20	Discussion and peer responses  Critical Analyses	4/6 & 4/13 4/13 4/20
	Professional Presentation		4/27

LEARNING OUTCOMES	Assignments / Assessments	National	TEXES Domains Competencies
The learner:		Standards	
TESOL 2. Culture as It Affects     Student Learning. Candidates     know, understand, and use major     theories and research related to     the nature and role of culture in     their instruction. They     demonstrate understanding of     how cultural groups and     individual cultural identities     affect language learning and     school achievement.	<ul> <li>Reading Response &amp; Replies</li> <li>Critical Analyses</li> <li>Power Point Presentation</li> </ul>	TESOL 2	TEXES Reading Specialist Domain I, Competency 001-008, Domain IV, 013  TEXES ESL Domain I, Competency 001-002; Domain III Competency 009
<ul> <li>Pedagogical Knowledge &amp; Skills—Instruction</li> <li>IRA 4.1 Recognize, understand, and value the forms of diversity that exist in society and their importance in learning to read and write.</li> <li>IRA 4.2 Use a literacy curriculum and engage in instructional practices that positively impact students' knowledge, beliefs, and engagement with the features of diversity.</li> <li>IRA 4.3 Develop and implement strategies to advocate for equity.</li> <li>TESOL 3a. Planning for Standards-Based ESL and Content Instruction. Candidates know,</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Reading Response &amp; Replies</li> <li>Critical Analyses</li> <li>Power Point Presentation</li> </ul>	IRA 4.1-4.3 TESOL 3a-3c,	TEXES Reading Specialist Domain I, Competency 001-008, Domain II, Competency 009-010, Domain III Competency 011-012, Domain IV Competency 013-014  TEXES ESL Domain II Competency 003-007

research, and best practices to			
plan classroom instruction in a			
supportive learning environment			
for ELLs. They plan for multilevel			
classrooms with learners from			
diverse backgrounds using			
standards-based ESL and content			
curriculum.			
TESOL 3b. Managing and			
Implementing Standards-Based			
ESL and Content Instruction.			
Candidates know, manage, and			
implement a variety of			
standards-based teaching			
strategies and techniques for			
developing and integrating			
English listening, speaking,			
reading, and writing. Candidates			
support ELLs' access to the core			
curriculum by teaching language			
through academic content.			
TESOL 3c. Using Resources and			
Technology Effectively in ESL and			
Content Instruction. Candidates			
are familiar with a wide range of			
standards-based materials,			
resources, and technologies, and			
choose, adapt, and use them in			
effective ESL and content			
teaching.			
Dispositions	Reading Response &	TESOL 5a-5b	TExES Reading Specialist Domain IV, Competency 014
TESOL 5a. ESL Research and	Replies		
History. Candidates demonstrate			TExES ESL Domain III Competency 008, 010
knowledge of history, research,			

educational public policy, and			
current practice in the field of ESL			
teaching and apply this			
knowledge to inform teaching			
and learning			
TESOL 5b. Professional			
Development, Partnerships,			
and Advocacy. Candidates take			
advantage of professional growth			
opportunities and demonstrate			
the ability to build partnerships			
with colleagues and students'			
families, serve as community			
resources, and advocate for ELLs.			

TEXES Master Reading Teacher Competencies (This is a Texas only certificate and as such, has no national counterpart.)

#### Domain I: Foundations of Reading Knowledge & Instruction, Part I

Competency 001: The Master Reading Teacher applies knowledge of oral language skills and development to teach reading.

Competency 002: The Master Reading Teacher applies knowledge of phonological and phonemic awareness skills and development to teach reading.

Competency 003: The Master Reading Teacher applies knowledge of the alphabetic principle to teach reading.

Competency 004: The Master Reading Teacher applies knowledge of word analysis skills and development to teach reading.

#### Domain II: Foundations of Reading Knowledge & Instruction, Part II

Competency 005: The Master Reading Teacher applies knowledge of reading fluency at the word and text level to teach reading.

Competency 006: The Master Reading Teacher applies knowledge of vocabulary development and reading comprehension to teach reading.

Competency 007: The Master Reading Teacher applies knowledge of written language and concepts of print to facilitate and promote student literacy.

#### Domain III: Principles of Instructional Design, Delivery, & Assessment in Reading

Competency 008: The Master Reading Teacher knows how to design and implement reading instruction that reflects state content and performance standards, addresses the varied learning needs of all students, and is based on converging evidence from research.

Competency 009: The Master Reading Teacher knows how to select and administer appropriate assessments on an ongoing basis and uses the results to design, inform, and adjust reading instruction.

#### Domain IV: Reading Instruction for Students with Diverse Backgrounds and Needs

Competency 010: The Master Reading Teacher applies knowledge of primary and second language acquisition, including the relationship between the development of these languages, to facilitate and promote literacy.

Competency 011: The Master Reading Teacher applies knowledge of reading difficulties, dyslexia, and reading disabilities to teach reading.

#### **Domain V: Roles of the Master Reading Teacher**

Competency 012: The Master Reading Teacher knows how to communicate and collaborate with educational stakeholders to facilitate implementation of appropriate, research-based reading instruction.

Competency 013: The Master Reading Teacher knows how to provide professional development through mentoring, coaching, and consultation with colleagues to facilitate implementation of appropriate, research-based reading instruction.

## Cross Reference IRA/NCATE Reading Specialist Standards Matched to TEXES Reading Specialist Competencies

## TEXES Reading Specialist Competencies

IRA /NCATE Program Standards for Reading Specialist

#### Standard 1 Foundational Knowledge

Candidates have knowledge of the foundations of reading and writing processes and instruction. **TEXES Competency 001 (Oral Language)** The reading specialist understand knowledge of oral language development, relationships between oral language development and the development of reading skills, and instructional met promote students' oral language development at the levels of early childh grade 12.

**TEXES Competency 002 (Phonological and Phonemic Aware ness)** The reaunderstands and applies knowledge of phonological and phonemic awaren relationships between phonological and phonemic awareness and the devreading competence, and instructional methods that promote students' pland phonemic awareness at the levels of early childhood through grade 12

**TEXES Competency 003 (Concepts of Print and the Alphabetic Principle)** To specialist understands concepts of print and the alphabetic principle and a knowledge of instructional methods that promote students' reading acquirelevels of early childhood through grade 12.

**TEXES Competency 004 (Word Identification)** The reading specialist under applies knowledge of word identification skills and strategies and instruction that promote students' reading competence at the levels of early childhood grade 12.

**TEXES Competency 005 (Fluency)** The reading specialist understands and a knowledge of reading fluency and instructional methods that promote stu competence at grades 1 through 12.

**TEXES Competency 006 (Comprehension)** The reading specialist understar knowledge of reading comprehension and instructional methods that prorreading comprehension at the levels of early childhood through grade 12.

**TEXES Competency 007 (Vocabulary Development)** The reacing specialist and applies knowledge of vocabulary development and instructional meth promote students' oral and written vocabulary knowledge at the levels of childhood through grade 12.

**TEXES Competency 008 (Written Language)** The reading specialist underst applies knowledge of written language and instructional methods to reinform and writing at the levels of early childhood through grade 12.

**TEXES Competency 013 (Theoretical Foundations and Research-Based Cu** reading specialist understands and applies knowledge of the theoretical foliteracy and of research-based reading/literacy curriculum.

#### IRA Standard 2 Instructional Strategies and Curriculum Materials

Candidates use a wide range of instructional practices, approaches, methods, and curriculum materials to support reading and writing instruction.

**TEXES Competency 010 (Instructional Methods and Resources)** The reading specialist understands and applies knowledge of methods and resources for providing effective literacy instruction that addresses the varied learning needs of all students at the levels of early childhood through grade 12.

**TEXES Competency 011 (Instruction for English Language Learners)** The reading specialist understands and applies knowledge of effective literacy instruction for English Language Learners at the levels of early childhood through grade 12.

**TEXES Competency 012 (Instruction for Students with Reading Difficulties, Dyslexia, and Reading Disabilities)** The reading specialist understands and applies knowledge of effective literacy instruction for students with reading difficulties, dyslexia, and reading disabilities at the levels of early childhood through grade 12.

# RA Standard 3 Assessment, Diagnosis, & Evaluation

Candidates use a variety of assessment tools and practices to plan and evaluate effective reading instruction.

**TEXES Competency 009 (Assessment)** The reading specialist understands and applies knowledge of assessment instruments and procedures used to monitor and evaluate student progress in reading and to guide instructional decision making at the levels of early childhood through grade 12.

**TEXES Competency 011 (Instruction for English Language Learners)** The reading specialist understands and applies knowledge of effective literacy instruction for English Language Learners at the levels of early childhood through grade 12.

**TEXES Competency 012 (Instruction for Students with Reading Difficulties, Dyslexia, and Reading Disabilities)** The reading specialist understands and applies knowledge of effective literacy instruction for students with reading difficulties, dyslexia, and reading disabilities at the levels of early childhood through grade 12.

## IRA Standard 4 Creating a Literate Environment

Candidates create a literate environment that fosters reading and writing by integrating foundational knowledge, use of instructional practices, approaches and methods, curriculum materials, and the appropriate use of assessments.

**TEXES Competency 001 (Oral Language)** The reading specialist understands and applies knowledge of oral language development, relationships between oral language development and the development of reading skills, and instructional methods that promote students' oral language development at the levels of early childhood through grade 12.

**TEXES Competency 002 (Phonological and Phonemic Awareness)** The reading specialist understands and applies knowledge of phonological and phonemic awareness, relationships between phonological and phonemic awareness and the development of reading competence, and instructional methods that promote students' phonological and phonemic awareness at the levels of early childhood through grade 12.

**TEXES Competency 003 (Concepts of Print and the Alphabetic Principle)** The reading specialist understands concepts of print and the alphabetic principle and applies knowledge of instructional methods that promote students' reading acquisition at the levels of early childhood through grade 12.

**TEXES Competency 004 (Word Identification)** The reading specialist understands and applies knowledge of word identification skills and strategies and instructional methods that promote students' reading competence at the levels of early childhood through grade 12.

**TEXES Competency 005 (Fluency)** The reading specialist understands and applies knowledge of reading fluency and instructional methods that promote students' reading competence at grades 1 through 12.

**TEXES** Competency 006 (Comprehension) The reading specialist understands and applies knowledge of reading comprehension and instructional methods that promote students' reading comprehension at the levels of early childhood through grade 12.

**TEXES Competency 007 (Vocabulary Development)** The reading specialist understands and applies knowledge of vocabulary development and instructional methods that promote students' oral and written vocabulary knowledge at the levels of early childhood through grade 12.

**TEXES Competency 008 (Written Language)** The reading specialist understands and applies knowledge of written language and instructional methods to reinforce reading and writing at the levels of early childhood through grade 12.

**TEXES Competency 009 (Assessment)** The reading specialist understands and applies knowledge of assessment instruments and procedures used to monitor and evaluate student progress in reading and to guide instructional decision making at the levels of early childhood through grade 12.

#### IRA Standard 5 Professional Development

Candidates view professional development as a career-long effort and responsibility. **TEXES Competency 014 (Collaboration, Communication, and Professional Development)** The reading specialist understands and applies procedures for collaborating and communicating with educational stakeholders and for designing, implementing, evaluating, and participating in professional development.

## Cross Reference TESOL/NCATE English as a Second Language Standards Matched to TEXES English as a Second Language Competencies

#### OVERVIEW:

TESOL	TExES
1.a-b	I. 001-002
2.a-b	III. 009
3.a-c	II. 003-006
4.a-c	II. 007, 003
5.a-c	III. 008, 010

TESOL
1.a
1.b
3.a, 4.c
3.b
3.b
3.c
4.a, 4.b, 4.c
5.a
2.a, 2.b
5.b, 5.c

#### DETAIL:

TESOL/NCATE Standards	TExES English as a Second Language Standards (EC-12)
DOMAIN 1: LANGUAGE Candidates know, understand, and use the major concepts, theories, and research related to the nature and acquisition of language to construct learning environments that support ESOL students' language and literacy development and content area achievement.	Domain I. Language Concepts and Language Acquisition Competencies 001–002
<b>Standard 1.a. Describing language.</b> Candidates demonstrate understanding of language as a system and demonstrate a high level of competence in helping ESOL students acquire and use English in listening, speaking, reading, and writing for social and academic purposes.	Competency 001. The ESL teacher understands fundamental language concepts and knows the structure and conventions of the English language.
<b>Standard 1.b. Language acquisition and development.</b> Candidates understand and apply concepts, theories, research, and practice to facilitate the acquisition of a primary and a new language in and out of classroom settings.	Competency 002. The ESL teacher understands the processes of first-language (L1) and second-language (L2) acquisition and the interrelatedness of L1 and L2 development.
DOMAIN 2: CULTURE Candidates know, understand, and use the major concepts, principles, theories, and research related to the nature and role of culture and cultural groups to construct learning environments that support ESOL students' cultural identities, language and literacy development, and content-area achievement.	Domain III. Foundations of ESL Education, Cultural Awareness, and Family and Community Involvement Competencies 008–010

<b>Standard 2.a. Nature and Role of Culture.</b> Candidates know, understand, and use the major concepts, principles, theories, and research related to the nature and role of culture in language development and academic achievement that support individual students' learning.	Competency 009. The ESL teacher understands factors that affect ESL students' learning and implements strategies for creating an effective multi-cultural and multilingual learning environment.
<b>Standard 2.b. Cultural Groups and Identity.</b> Candidates know, understand, and use knowledge of how cultural groups and students' cultural identities affect language learning and school achievement.	Competency 009. The ESL teacher understands factors that affect ESL students' learning and implements strategies for creating an effective multicultural and multilingual learning environment.
DOMAIN 3: PLANNING, IMPLEMENTING, AND MANAGING INSTRUCTION Candidates know, understand, and use standards-based practices and strategies related to planning, implementing, and managing ESL and content instruction, including classroom organization, teaching strategies for developing and integrating language skills, and choosing and adapting classroom resources.	<b>Domain II</b> . ESL Instruction and Assessment <b>Competencies</b> 003–007
Standard 3.a. Planning for Standards-Based ESL and Content Instruction. Candidates know, understand, and apply concepts, research, and best practices to plan classroom instruction in a supportive learning environment for ESOL students. Candidates serve as effective English-language models, as they plan for multilevel classrooms with learners from diverse backgrounds using standards-based ESL and content curriculum.	Competency 003. The ESL teacher understands ESL teaching methods and uses this knowledge to plan and implement effective, developmentally appropriate instruction.
Standard 3.b. Managing and Implementing Standards-Based ESL and Content Instruction. Candidates know, manage, and implement a variety of standards-based teaching strategies and techniques for developing and integrating English listening, speaking, reading, and writing, and for accessing the core curriculum. Candidates support ESOL students in accessing the core curriculum as they learn language and academic content together.	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.
Standard 3.c. Using Resources Effectively in ESL and Content Instruction. Candidates are familiar with a wide range of standards-based materials, resources, and technologies, and choose, adapt, and use them in effective ESL and content teaching.	Competency 006. The ESL teacher understands how to promote students' content-area learning, academic-language development, and achievement across the curriculum.
<b>DOMAIN 4:</b> ASSESSMENT Candidates understand issues of assessment and use standards-based assessment measures with ESOL students.	<b>Domain II.</b> ESL Instruction and Assessment <b>Competencies</b> 003–007

Standard 4.a. Issues of Assessment for ESL. Candidates understand various issues of assessment (e.g., cultural and linguistic bias; political, social, and psychological factors) in assessment, IQ, and special education testing (including gifted and talented); the importance of standards; and the difference between language proficiency and other types of assessment (e.g., standardized achievement tests of overall mastery), as they affect ESOL student learning.	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.
<b>Standard 4.b. Language Proficiency Assessment.</b> Candidates know and use a variety of standards-based language proficiency instruments to inform their instruction and understand their uses for identification, placement, and demonstration of language growth of ESOL students.	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 5: PROFESSIONALISM Candidates demonstrate knowledge of the history of ESL teaching. Candidates keep current with new instructional techniques, research results, advances in the ESL field, and public policy issues. Candidates use such information to reflect upon and improve their instructional practices. Candidates provide support and advocate for ESOL students and their families and work collaboratively to improve the learning environment.	Domain III. Foundations of ESL Education, Cultural Awareness, and Family and Community Involvement Competencies 008–010
<b>Standard 5.a. ESL Research and History.</b> Candidates demonstrate knowledge of history, research, and current practice in the field of ESL teaching and apply this knowledge to improve teaching and learning.	Competency 008. The ESL teacher understands the foundations of ESL education and types of ESL programs.
<b>Standard 5.b. Partnerships and Advocacy.</b> Candidates serve as professional resources, advocate for ESOL students, and build partnerships with students' families.	Competency 010. The ESL teacher knows how to serve as an advocate for ESL students and facilitate family and community involvement in their education.
Standard 5.c. Professional Development and Collaboration. Candidates collaborate with and are prepared to serve as a resource to all staff, including paraprofessionals, to improve learning for all ESOL students.	Competency 010. The ESL teacher knows how to serve as an advocate for ESL students and facilitate family and community involvement in their education.