

Education and Computers
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Course catalogue description

Education & Computers establishes a foundation for using the computer and technology in a variety of educational settings across all subject areas. The course is hands-on in nature, with focus on current trends. Additionally, learners can expect to discuss theory, practice, and social/philosophical issues related to the use of computers in education. Some familiarity with computers is recommended.

Course Objectives

1. Identify advantages and risks of Internet use in the classroom.
2. Evaluate effective computer-based learning activities
3. Demonstrate an understanding of the education technology standards: NJCCCS for Technology, NETS-T, and NETS-S.
4. Distinguish the use of wikis, weblogs and RSS feeds and their role in instruction
5. Apply technology to develop students' 21st Century literacy skills, critical thinking skills, and creativity.
6. Employ basic principles of multimedia design to create an interactive website.
7. Compare the roles of stakeholders (students, parents, teachers, community) in supporting the appropriate use of technology in education.
8. Discuss the social, ethical, and legal issues surrounding the use of technology in learning and teaching.

Course Text

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Unit Objectives

Title	Objectives
Unit 1 What is a School?	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Discriminate didactic, tutorial instructional methods from student-centered, interactive, exploratory instructional methods. 2. Explain differing views of educational technology and its role in today's world, educational environments, and beyond. 3. Compare key learning theories such as behaviorist, cognitive, and constructivist and relate them to technology, teaching, and learning. 4. Describe various teaching styles through the lens of learning theories and describe their impact on technology, teaching, and learning through these theoretical lenses. 5. Articulate a personal view of the relationship among teaching, learning, and technology and describe the implicit theories that are behind these personal assumptions and beliefs. 6. Appreciate and understand ISTE and NJ state standards for

	educational technology usage.
Unit 2 Hardware and Software	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Relate the components and functions of a computer system to teaching and learning tasks. 2. Identify input and output devices and their applicability in the classroom. (i.e., Tablet PC, SMARTboard, Touch Screens). 3. Describe administrative and academic software. 4. Identify advantages and risks of educational software packages and gaming as they apply to the classroom. 5. Identify advantages and risks of associated with hypermedia. 6. Describe changes to classrooms that may result as both hardware and software advance.
Unit 3 Networking	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Discuss the basic concepts of how networking and the Internet work. 2. Identify the benefits and risks to students related to the use of the Internet and instruction. 3. Review methods of insuring student safety on the Internet. 4. Critique validity and quality of websites and software programs for the purposes of teaching and/or learning. 5. Appraise the changes brought about by the "Read/Write" web to the teaching of literacy. 6. Locate and evaluate instructional support websites, classroom management and academic tools, and teaching resources that are available on the Internet.
Unit 4 Collaboration	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Identify, critique, and use various social and collaborative tools and explain their role in teaching and learning. 2. Discuss participatory culture and its role in classrooms. 3. Create a collaborative website. 4. Defend the use of social and collaborative tools. 5. Identify the roles of various stakeholders (students, parents, teachers, community) in ensuring the appropriate use of technology. 6. Write a letter to parents asking permission for students to engage in online social activities. 7. Use social bookmarking as a classroom resource.
Unit 5 Multimedia	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Discuss the uses of audio and video media in support of teaching and learning. 2. Identify types and applications of projected and non-projected visual media in the learning environment.

	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. Describe how the Internet can provide audio and visual support to teaching and learning. 4. Create multimedia that incorporates digital images, audio, and video. 5. Describe multimodal literacies. 6. Understand when materials are used under a "fair use" clause.
Unit 6 Technology Integration	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Identify pros and cons of distance learning. 2. Identify the pros and cons of the “blended” model of distance learning. 3. Recognize how to use RSS to save time and share sources. 4. Describe 21st century issues and challenges facing new teachers as they enter the workforce. 5. Discuss social, ethical, and legal issues associated with integrating technology into the curriculum. 6. Identify emerging technologies that may affect teaching and learning.

SAS Core Curriculum Learning Goals Met by this Course: **ITR y**



For list of Core Curriculum learning goals, see: http://sas.rutgers.edu/component/docman/doc_download/413-summary-of-new-core-curriculum-learning-goals

For a list of Core Certified courses by learning goal, see <http://sasundergrad.rutgers.edu/core> :<http://sasundergrad.rutgers.edu/academics/requirements/core?layout=blog>

Course Schedule and Assignment Due Dates

		Begins	Assignments	Due Date	Points
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Unit 1					
	Week 1	Sept 3	Introduce Yourself	Sept 9	3
	Week 2	Sept 10	Readings and Discussion	Sept 16	2
	Week 3	Sept 17	Project Proposal	Sept 23	6
Unit 2					
	Week 4	Sept 24	Readings and Discussion	Sept 30	2
			Software Evaluation	Sept 30	4
	Week 5	Oct 1	Project Rubric	Oct 7	7
Unit 3					
	Week 6	Oct 8	Readings and Discussion	Oct 14	2
			Project Draft	Oct 14	8
	Week 7	Oct 15	Website Critique	Oct 21	4
			Onguard Games	Oct 21	3
			Your Project Links and Critique	Oct 21	0
Unit 4					
	Week 8	Oct 22	Readings and Discussion	Oct 28	2
			Wiki Letter to Parents	Oct 28	7
	Week 9	Oct 29	Project Interactive Component	Nov 4	5
Unit 5					
	Week 10	Nov 5	Readings and Discussion	Nov 11	2
			Project Multimedia Component	Nov 11	7
	Week 11	Nov 12			
			Current Event Presentation	Nov 18	7
Unit 6					
	Week 12	Nov 19	Readings and Discussion	Nov 25	2
	Week 13	Nov 26	Project Reflection	Dec 2	7
	Week 14	Dec 3	Course Paper	Dec 11 End course	20
			Course Evaluation	Dec 11 End course	**3 extra credit

Grading: Grading will be on a 100 point scale.

A	90 - 100 points
B+	87 - 89 points
B	80 - 86 points
C+	77 - 79 points
C	70 - 76 points
D	60 - 69 points
F	0 - 59 points

Grades for each assignment will be posted in the Gradebook tool on the eCollege web site. I score all work by one week after the due date, usually much sooner.

Academic Integrity: You will comply with standards of academic integrity in this course. Assignments should be your own work, except in the case of a required group product. The consequence for violating policies of academic integrity and other elements of the student code of conduct are serious and can have a negative impact on your academic progress

and future career. All issues of academic integrity are referred to the Rutgers University policy on academic integrity. This policy can be found in detail on the University website at: <http://academicintegrity.rutgers.edu>.

Disability Policy: Rutgers University welcomes students with disabilities into all of the University's educational programs. In order to receive consideration for reasonable accommodations, a student with a disability must contact the appropriate disability services office at the campus where you are officially enrolled, participate in an intake interview, and provide documentation: <https://ods.rutgers.edu/students/documentation-guidelines>. If the documentation supports your request for reasonable accommodations, your campus's disability services office will provide you with a Letter of Accommodations. Please share this letter with your instructors and discuss the accommodations with them as early in your courses as possible. To begin this process, please complete the Registration form on the ODS web site at: <https://ods.rutgers.edu/students/registration-form>.

Care, respect, and integrity are expected in written and classroom exchanges: All written work, including postings on E-companion, should be proofread for clarity, spelling, and grammatical errors. Please use language that is appropriate for the classroom setting and maintain a professional tone in both your E-college postings and classroom discussions. Outside sources, in any assignment, must be referenced appropriately (either APA or Chicago style is acceptable)

Late Policy: Assignments are due by midnight on the specified Due Date.

Teaching Standards: This course will is based heavily upon ISTE NETS standards located here: <http://www.iste.org/standards.aspx>

In addition, the course addresses the following New Jersey Professional Teaching Standards as they relate **specifically to the area of computers and technology**. You can find the complete listing of NJPTS here: <http://www.state.nj.us/education/profdev/profstand/standards.pdf>

Subject Matter Knowledge

Teachers know and understand:

1.4: Concepts inherent in numeracy to enable students to represent physical events, work with data, reason, communicate mathematically, and make connections within their respective content areas in order to solve problems.

Teachers value and are committed to:

1.6: Enthusiasm for the discipline(s) they teach and in making connections to everyday life.

Teachers engage in activities to:

1.8: Make effective use of multiple representations and explanations of disciplinary concepts that capture key ideas and link them to students' prior understanding.

1.9: Evaluate teaching resources and curriculum materials for their completeness, accuracy and usefulness for representing particular ideas and concepts.

Human Growth and Development

Teachers know and understand:

2.1: How students construct knowledge, acquire skills and develop habits of mind and how to use instructional strategies that promote student learning.

Teachers value and are committed to:

2.5: The belief that all children and adolescents bring talents and strengths to learning.

2.6: Appreciation for multiple ways of knowing.

Teachers apply:

2.9: Learning theory to accommodate differences in student intelligence, perception, cognitive style and achievement levels.

Diverse Learners

Teachers know and understand:

3.4: The negative impact of bias, prejudice, and discrimination on students and society.

Instructional Planning and Strategies

Teachers know and understand:

4.1: How to plan instruction based on students' needs, developmental progress and prior knowledge.

4.2: Available and appropriate resources and materials for instructional planning.

4.3: Techniques for modifying instructional methods, materials and the environment to help all students learn.

4.4: A variety of instructional approaches and the use of **various technologies**, to promote thinking and understanding.

Teachers value and are committed to:

4.5: The development of students' critical thinking, independent problem-solving and performance capabilities.

Teachers engage in activities to:

4.6: Identify and design instruction appropriate to students' stage of development, learning styles, strengths and needs.

4.10: Plan and develop effective lessons by organizing instructional activities and materials, incorporating a wide range of community and **technology resources**, to promote achievement of lesson objectives.

Assessment

Teachers engage in activities to:

5.7: Enhance their knowledge of learners and evaluate students' progress and performance using a variety of formal and informal assessment techniques to modify teaching and learning strategies.

Learning Environment

Teachers know and understand:

6.2: How the classroom environment influences learning and promotes positive behavior for all students.

Teachers value and are committed to:

6.4: The role of students in promoting each other's learning and recognize the importance of peer relationships in creating a climate of learning.

6.6: The expression and use of democratic values in the classroom.

Teachers engage in activities to:

6.7: Maintain a learning community in which students assume responsibility for themselves and one another, participate in decision-making and work collaboratively and independently.

6.12: Prepare students for and monitor independent and group work that allows for full and varied participation of all individuals.

Special Needs

Teachers engage in activities to:

7.7: Meet the needs of all learners by using a wide range of teaching techniques to accommodate and modify strategies, services and resources, **including technology**.

Communication

Teachers know and understand:

8.1: The power of communication in the teaching and learning process.

Teachers engage in activities to:

8.7: Model effective communication strategies and questioning techniques in conveying ideas and stimulating critical thinking.

Collaboration and Partnerships

Teachers know and understand:

9.9: Institute parent/family involvement practices that support meaningful communication, parenting skills, enriched student learning, volunteer and decision-making opportunities at school and collaboration to strengthen the teaching and learning environment of the school.

Professional Development

Teachers know and understand:

10.1: How education research and **other methods of inquiry** can be used as a means for continuous learning, self-assessment and development.

Teachers value and are committed to:

10.3: Professional reflection, assessment and learning as an ongoing process.

10.4: Collaboration with colleagues to give and receive help.