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Office Hours: Online by Appointment	Prerequisites or other limitations: <i>None.</i>
Mode of Instruction: <input type="checkbox"/> Lecture <input type="checkbox"/> Seminar <input type="checkbox"/> Hybrid <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Online <input type="checkbox"/> Other	Permission required: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes Directions about where to get permission numbers: Email Instructor

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Course Description

Learning goals:

New Jersey Professional Standards for Teachers (2014)¹:

Standard Two: Learning Differences. The teacher uses understanding of individual differences and diverse cultures and communities to ensure inclusive learning environments that enable each learner to meet high standards:

- (6) The teacher accesses resources, supports, and specialized assistance and services to meet particular learning differences or needs and participates in the design and implementation of the IEP, where appropriate, through curriculum planning and curricular and instructional modifications, adaptations, and specialized strategies and techniques, including the use of assistive technology.

¹ <http://www.state.nj.us/education/code/current/title6a/chap9.pdf>

Standard Six: Assessment. The teacher understands and uses multiple methods of assessment to engage learners in examining their own growth, to monitor learner progress, and to guide the teacher's and learner's decision-making.

- (9) The teacher continually seeks appropriate ways to employ technology to support assessment practice both to engage learners more fully and to assess and address learner needs.

Standard Eight: Instructional Strategies. The teacher understands and uses a variety of instructional strategies to encourage learners to develop deep understanding of content areas and their connections, and to build skills to apply knowledge in meaningful ways.

- (6) The teacher understands how content and skill development can be supported by media and technology and knows how to evaluate these resources for quality, accuracy, and effectiveness.

Standard Eleven: Ethical Practice. The teachers acts in accordance with legal and ethical responsibilities and uses integrity and fairness to promote the success of all students.

- (2) The teacher advocates, models, and teaches safe, legal, and ethical use of information and technology including appropriate documentation of sources and respect for others in the use of social media.

Council for the Accreditation of Education Professionals (2013)²:

Technology & Digital Learning

The Commission's standards include several references to applications of new technologies to educational situations:

- Standard 1 endorses the InTASC teacher standards in their entirety, and the performances, knowledge, and dispositions that are extensions of those standards include a score of references to applications of technology. Educators must know how to use technologies and how to guide learners to apply them. They must know how to use digital and interactive technologies for efficiently and effectively achieving specific learning goals.
- Standard 1 also states that providers are to "ensure that completers model and apply technology standards as they design, implement, and assess learning experiences to engage students and improve learning and enrich professional practice."
- Standard 2 on clinical experiences refers to technology-enhanced learning opportunities as part of clinical experiences, as well as appropriate technology-based applications for selection, development, evaluation, and continuous improvement and retention of clinical educators. Clinical partnerships are to include technology-based collaborations, as well.
- Standard 3 on candidate quality states that providers present multiple forms of evidence of candidates developing knowledge and skills during preparation, including "the integration of technology in all of these domains."

² http://caepnet.files.wordpress.com/2013/09/final_board_approved1.pdf

Course catalog description:

05:300:350 Education and Computers (3) 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; no prior computer skills are required.

Other description of course purposes, context, methods, etc.:

As an online course, students are expected to access the course daily to complete required assignments. The material covered in this course is practical and hands on. Students will explore a variety of online/web-based learning tools and work collaboratively with peers to explore how these tools can positively impact student learning and professional practice. Weekly class discussions, video reflections, and written essays will be assigned and due on specific due dates as assigned on the eCollege website.

Required texts:

No textbooks are required for this course.

Grading Policy:

Each assignment in this course will be graded out of a 4-point scale which includes:

4/4 = Outstanding

3/4 = Good

2/4 = Satisfactory

1/4 = Unsatisfactory

0/4 = Not Completed By Due Date

No work in this course will be accepted after its due date. Failure to hand in work by the due date will result in the student earning 0 points for the assignment – no exceptions.

Students will be able to access their grades at their convenience via the Gradebook feature on eCollege webpage. All assignments, with exception to the final project, will be worth 4 points. The final project will be worth 24 points

Academic Integrity Policy:

Any violation of academic honesty is a serious offense and is therefore subject to an appropriate penalty. Refer to <http://academicintegrity.rutgers.edu/integrity.shtml> for a full explanation of policies.

Class Website:

Ecollege.rutgers.edu

Course Requirements

Attendance Policy:

This course, Education and Computers, is an asynchronous course. As such, students are not expected to be online at a certain date or time. While students do have flexibility as to when they would like to access the course, specific assignments must be completed by their assigned due date and time for credit to be given.

Summary of Requirements

Below is a list of topics and assignments that will be covered in Education & Computers. For specific assignment requirements, please visit the course page. All assignments must be completed by 11:59 PM EST on the evening of the due date. As an example, if an assignment is due on 1/21/15, you have until the night of 1/21/15, 11:59 PM EST (1 minute before it turns 1/22/15) to complete the assignment.

Course Schedule by Week

Week	Topics to be Covered	Assignments & Readings
Unit 1:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Team Building & Changes in Technology• Smart Phones, Apps & Education• Google for Educators• Flipped Classroom & Blended Learning• Pinterest, Facebook, Twitter & Powerful Social Media for Students	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Introduce Yourself to the Class Discussion Board• Did You Know? Discussion Board• What Do You Remember Discussion Board• Smart Phones, Apps & Students Discussion Board• Is Google+ Inevitable Discussion Board• Khan Academy Discussion Board• Pinterest & The Classroom Discussion Board• Facebook & The Classroom Discussion Board• The Twittersphere Discussion Board• No Choice Discussion Board• Do You Web 2.0 Discussion Board <p>1 Initial Response due in each discussion board in this unit by</p>

		1/2/15, 11:59 PM EST & 3 Replies to each discussion board in this unit due by 1/16/15, 11:59 EST.
Unit 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Common Core & Standards Based Education • Lesson Planning & Integrating Technology into the Lesson Planning 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reflection on Common Core State Standards • Reflection Lesson Plan & Technology • Jing Responses on Key Parts of Lesson Plan <p>All assignments in this Unit due by 1/9/15, 11:59 PM EST.</p>
Unit 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Education & Computers Common Assessment: Culminating Final Paper 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Final Essay due by 1/16/15, 11:59 PM EST

SAS Core Curriculum Learning Goals:

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

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