

EDUC 5384.110, 80257, Teaching Internship

Fall 2023

Texas A&M University-Central Texas

COURSE DATES, MODALITY, AND LOCATION

September 16, September 30, October 21, November 4 and December 2

Warrior Hall, Room 317

This course meets face-to-face five Saturdays in the semester in Warrior Hall, room 317, with supplemental materials made available online through the A&M-Central Texas Canvas Learning Management System [<https://tamuct.instructure.com/>].

INSTRUCTOR AND CONTACT INFORMATION

Instructor: Tracy Hanson, Ed.D.

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Office Hours

Virtual and in-person meetings by appointment.

Student-instructor interaction

You can meet with me online or face-to-face by appointment. Often, multiple students ask the same questions via email. In these instances, I typically respond through Canvas in an announcement to clarify concerns for the entire class. I respond to emails within 24 hours. When texting, please give me your name. I usually respond to text messages the same day.

Emergency Warning System for Texas A&M University-Central Texas

SAFEZONE. SafeZone provides a public safety application that gives you the ability to call for help with the push of a button. It also provides Texas A&M University-Central Texas the ability to communicate emergency information quickly via push notifications, email, and text messages. All students automatically receive email and text messages via their myCT accounts.

Downloading SafeZone allows access to push notifications and enables you to connect directly for help through the app.

You can download SafeZone from the app store and use your myCT credentials to log in. If you would like more information, you can visit the [SafeZone](http://www.safezoneapp.com) website [www.safezoneapp.com].

To register SafeZone on your phone, please follow these 3 easy steps:

1. Download the SafeZone App from your phone store using the link below:
 - [iPhone/iPad](https://apps.apple.com/app/safezone/id533054756): [<https://apps.apple.com/app/safezone/id533054756>]
 - [Android Phone / Tablet](https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.criticalarc.safezoneapp)
[<https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.criticalarc.safezoneapp>]
2. Launch the app and enter your myCT email address (e.g. {name}@tamuct.edu)
3. Complete your profile and accept the terms of service

For updates on COVID information, please monitor the University [website](https://www.tamuct.edu/covid19/)
[<https://www.tamuct.edu/covid19/>]

COURSE INFORMATION

Course Overview and description

Gain field-based experience in classroom teaching. Interns must demonstrate proficiency in applying effective teaching practices and classroom management strategies in a school classroom. Prerequisite(s): admission to a teacher certification program; satisfactory performance in the professional development courses preceding the internship. May be repeated for credit. Field experience fee - \$75 or Internship fee - \$1500 (effective fall 2016-summer 2021) or Internship fee \$1,000 (effective fall 2022).

Course Objective or Goal

The student will demonstrate effective teaching practices in a field-based setting and reflect on his/her role as a professional educator as he/she moves forward on the continuum from preservice to in-service educator.

Student Learning Outcomes

1. The teacher intern demonstrates knowledge of the state accountability system in selecting content for lesson plans.
2. The teacher intern designs instruction appropriate for all students that reflects an understanding of relevant content and is based on continuous and appropriate assessment.
3. The teacher intern promotes student learning by providing responsive instruction that makes use of effective communication techniques, instructional strategies that actively engage students in the learning process, and timely, high-quality feedback.
4. The teacher intern utilizes technology ethically and legally.
5. The teacher intern recognizes the value of reflective practice to facilitate growth as a professional educator.

Competency Goals Statements (certification or standards)

TExES Core Subjects test information

<http://cms.texas-ets.org/texas/core-subjectsgeneralisttests/>

ISTE Technology Standards

<https://www.iste.org/standards/iste-standards-for-teachers>

Required Reading and Textbook(s)

None Required

COURSE REQUIREMENTS

- **Weekly Schedule** - Students will complete the Weekly Schedule and turn it in to their Field Supervisor and in Canvas for this course. This will assist the Field Supervisor in scheduling his/her visits for observations. At any time, your weekly schedule changes, you must submit a new Weekly Schedule to your Field Supervisor. ****Supports the Student Learning Outcome #4.**
- **Conferencing with Mentor Teacher** - During the first three weeks of school, and then at least 2 other times during the semester, interns need to meet with their mentor. During the initial conference, the mentor will assist the intern in the development of professional growth goals and identify any actions needed to facilitate attainment of the goals. A commitment is made at the first conference to list issues and action plan items and then progress will then be evaluated at each of the next two conferences. ****Supports the Student Learning Outcome #5.**
- **Monthly Journal Reflection (Sept/Oct/Nov)** - Students will complete 2 monthly journals of a least one page to reflect upon the classroom's events and garner insights into effective teaching, providing the intern with a history of growth as a teacher. Reflection is important. Include any and everything. Students must use complete sentences and submit the journal as a Word document to Canvas by the due date. ****Supports the Student Learning Outcome #5.**
- **Lesson Plan for Learning and Post-Lesson Reflection** - With guidance from your mentor teacher, complete a plan for each of the **three lessons** your field supervisor will observe. The Plan for Learning Standards- Based Lesson Plan will be sent via email to your Field Supervisor and Dr. Hanson no later than 8:00 a.m. three (3) days prior to your observation. This Lesson Plan and the Field Supervisor's emailed responses and reflective coaching questions constitute your PRE-CONFERENCE. ****Supports the Student Learning Outcomes #2 & #5.**
- **Intern Observation of Mentor** - Students will conduct **one** 30-minute observation of their assigned mentor. Conference periods may need to be used to get this completed. Be prepared to share your feedback. ****Supports the Student Learning Outcome #5.**
- **One Intern Observation of a Teacher Other than Mentor** - Students will conduct one 30-minute observations of someone in another grade band or content area. The purpose of this assignment is to see a variety of teaching and classroom

management strategies. Use provided form below. Conference periods may need to be used to get this completed. Be prepared to share your feedback.
****Supports the Student Learning Outcome #5.**

- **Professional Development Opportunities** - There are a variety of professional development opportunities on your campus that will allow you to be more engaged and cognizant of the daily functions of a campus, including attending an ARD, 504, ELPS mtg; PTA/PTO, field trips, grade level meetings, faculty meetings, before/after school duties, school board meeting, etc. Use your journal to document and reflect on your experiences in these opportunities. Complete the Professional Development Opportunities .pdf located in Canvas and submit to Canvas by the due date. ****Supports the Student Learning Outcome #5.**

Grading Criteria Rubric and Conversion

This is a Pass or Fail course so all assignments must be completed satisfactorily to obtain a passing grade.

Posting of Grades

Grades from assessments will be posted within seven working days, unless it is a major assignment.

Grading Policies

Quality of Assignments- High professional standards are expected of all assignments. In order to obtain the full credit for an assignment, candidates must demonstrate higher order thinking skills (analyze data by applying theoretical and conceptual tools; construct convincing arguments; integrate information from various sources; evaluate various theoretical perspectives; etc.). All assignments are to be submitted in a timely, professional manner through Canvas and may not be emailed. The use of standard English, correct grammar and spelling, and appropriate formatting is expected. Remember that the quality of work you present reflects your desire to be a professional educator. **All submitted work should be typed unless otherwise noted.**

Late Work Policy- Missed exams and quizzes may only be re-scheduled in cases of excused absences and must be made up within 1 week of the original date. Late work will be accepted for no penalty for university-excused absences. For other late work due to extenuating circumstances, please speak with the professor privately.

COURSE OUTLINE AND CALENDAR

Internship I Calendar from Certification Officer:
3 Formal Observations

- ~August 25 – December 9 (end of grading cycle)
 Virtual Intern Orientation (Course Instructor, EPS, Interns) – August 24 4:30 via TEAMS
 Virtual Howdy Visit (FS, Course Instructor, EPS, Mentors, Interns) – August 29 4:30 via TEAMS
 POP Cycles:
 · Due: Pre-Conference / Lesson Plan, Observation, Post Conference, Mentor / Intern Collaboration Log
 · Formal Observation #1 – Between August 28-September 29
 · Formal Observation #2 – Between October 2-November 3
 · Formal Observation #3 – Between November 6-December 09

Complete Course Calendar

Date	Assignment	Assignment Due Dates
Weeks 1-4	Work with Field Supervisor to arrange observations Complete Weekly Schedule for field supervisor Complete one lesson, reflection pop-cycle with post reflection Complete Conference 1 Complete Observation of Mentor Teacher	September, 2023
Weeks 5-8	Complete one lesson, reflection pop-cycle with post reflection Complete Conference 2 Journal Reflection 1 Observation of another teacher	October, 2023
Weeks 9-12	Complete Conference 3	October/November, 2023
Weeks 13-16	Complete one lesson, reflection pop-cycle with post reflection Complete Conference 4 Journal Reflection 2	November/December, 2023

Important University Dates

<https://www.tamuct.edu/registrar/academic-calendar.html>

TECHNOLOGY REQUIREMENTS AND SUPPORT

This course will use the A&M-Central Texas Instructure Canvas learning management system. We strongly recommend the latest versions of Chrome, Firefox, Edge, or Safari

browsers. Canvas will run on Windows, Mac, Linux, iOS, android, or any other device with a modern web browser. **Canvas no longer supports any version of Internet Explorer.**

Logon to A&M-Central Texas Canvas [<https://tamuct.instructure.com/>] or access Canvas through the TAMUCT Online link in myCT [<https://tamuct.onecampus.com/>] by clicking on the “TAMUCT Online Canvas” tile. You will then log in through our Microsoft portal.

Username: Your MyCT email address. Password: Your MyCT password

Canvas Support

Use the Canvas Help tab, located at the bottom of the left-hand menu, for issues with Canvas. You can search the support articles or use the Email, Call, or Chat buttons at the bottom of the support pop-up to contact the Canvas Help Desk.

For issues related to course content and requirements, contact your instructor.

Online Proctored Testing

Texas A&M University-Central Texas uses Proctorio for online identity verification and proctored testing. This service is provided at no direct cost to students. If the course requires identity verification or proctored testing, the technology requirements are: Any computer meeting the minimum computing requirements, plus web camera, speaker, and microphone (or headset). Proctorio requires use of the Chrome web browser with their custom plug in installed.

Other Technology Support

For log-in problems, students should contact Help Desk Central, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Email: helpdesk@tamu.edu

Phone: (254) 519-5466

[Web Chat](http://hdc.tamu.edu): [<http://hdc.tamu.edu>]

Please let the support technician know you are an A&M-Central Texas student.

UNIVERSITY RESOURCES, PROCEDURES, AND GUIDELINES

Warrior Center for Student Success

The Warrior Center for Student Success is a comprehensive academic support department at A&M-Central Texas, dedicated to fostering an environment of excellence and empowerment among its student body. The center offers a wide range of programs and services to ensure every student reaches their full potential, and is a haven for students seeking guidance, resources, and a strong support network to excel in their educational journey.

ADA Access and Accommodations: Texas A&M University-Central Texas ensures that students with disabilities have equal access to educational opportunities by providing appropriate accommodations and support services. If you believe you have a physical, learning or socio-emotional disability requiring reasonable accommodations, please visit [Access and Inclusion](https://www.tamuct.edu/student-affairs/access-inclusion.html) [<https://www.tamuct.edu/student-affairs/access-inclusion.html>] for more details or

contact the Office of Access and Inclusion, WH-212; (254) 501-5836. Any information you provide is private and confidential.

Success Coaching and Peer Mentoring: Our experienced Success Coaches work one-on-one with students to develop personalized action plans, set academic goals, and build effective study strategies, time management skills, and resilience. Our Peer Mentors provide a valuable support system, offering guidance, encouragement, and a relatable perspective to help students navigate their academic and personal challenges. For more details call 254-501-5836 or 254-501-5928 or visit [Academic Support](https://www.tamuct.edu/student-affairs/academic-support.html) [https://www.tamuct.edu/student-affairs/academic-support.html]. Click the link to schedule a session (virtual or in-person) with a success coach bit.ly/3q7uB50 or visit WH, 111.

Testing Services: We offer a secure and comfortable environment for students and members of the community to take courses and distance learning exams, as well as placement tests and professional certification exams. Our Testing Service also offers resources and support referrals for testing related challenges (test anxiety, learning disabilities, etc.) and supports all approved ADA accommodations. Call (254) 519-5830 or visit the [Testing Center](https://www.tamuct.edu/testing-center/) [https://www.tamuct.edu/testing-center/].

Tutoring and Supplemental Instruction Services: Our team of qualified Tutors and Supplemental Instructors assist students in various non-writing subjects, promoting academic comprehension and enhancing learning outcomes. Click the link to schedule a tutoring session with a TAMUCT tutor (virtual or in-person) or view tutor availability bit.ly/43Q6wNz. You may also chat live with a remote tutor 24/7 for a variety of subjects through our partnership with Tutor.com, an online tutoring platform that is free to all TAMUCT students. To learn more please visit [Tutoring Services](https://www.tamuct.edu/student-affairs/academic-support.html#tutoring) [https://www.tamuct.edu/student-affairs/academic-support.html#tutoring] or call (254) 501-5836 or visit the Tutoring Hub in Warrior Hall, 111.

Academic Integrity

Texas A&M University-Central Texas values the integrity of the academic enterprise and strives for the highest standards of academic conduct. A&M-Central Texas expects its students, faculty, and staff to support the adherence to high standards of personal and scholarly conduct to preserve the honor and integrity of the creative community. Any deviation by students from this expectation may result in a failing grade for the assignment and potentially a failing grade for the course. All academic misconduct concerns will be referred to the Student Conduct Office. When in doubt on collaboration, citation, or any issue, please contact your instructor before taking a course of action.

For more information regarding the [student conduct process](https://www.tamuct.edu/student-affairs/student-conduct.html), [https://www.tamuct.edu/student-affairs/student-conduct.html].

If you know of potential honor violations by other students, you may [submit a referral](https://cm.maxient.com/reporting.php?TAMUCentralTexas), [https://cm.maxient.com/reporting.php?TAMUCentralTexas].

Drop Policy

If you discover that you need to drop this class, you must complete the [Drop Request](#) Dynamic Form through Warrior Web.

[<https://federation.ngwebsolutions.com/sp/startSSO.ping?PartnerIdpld=https://eis-prod.ec.tamuct.edu:443/samlso&SpSessionAuthnAdapterId=tamuctDF&TargetResource=https%3a%2f%2fdynamicforms.ngwebsolutions.com%2fsubmit%2fstart%2f53b8369e-0502-4f36-be43-f02a4202f612>].

Faculty cannot drop students; this is always the responsibility of the student. The Records and Admissions Office will provide a deadline on the Academic Calendar for which the form must be completed. Once you submit the completed form to the Records and Admissions Office, you must go into Warrior Web and confirm that you are no longer enrolled. If you still show as enrolled, FOLLOW-UP with the Records and Admissions Office immediately. You are to attend class until the procedure is complete to avoid penalty for absence. Should you miss the drop deadline or fail to follow the procedure, you will receive an F in the course, which may affect your financial aid and/or VA educational benefits.

Pregnant and/or Parenting Students Rights and Accommodations

Texas A&M University-Central Texas supports students who are pregnant, experiencing pregnancy-related conditions, and/or parenting. In accordance with requirements of [Title IX and related guidance from US Department of Education's Office of Civil Rights](#), the Associate Dean in the Division of Student Affairs, (254) 501-5909, can assist students who are pregnant, experiencing pregnancy-related conditions, and/or parenting by provide flexible and individualized reasonable accommodations. Students should seek out assistance as early in the pregnancy as possible through the [Pregnancy & Parenting webpage](#) [<https://www.tamuct.edu/student-affairs/pregnant-and-parenting-students.html>]. For more information, please visit [Student Affairs](#) [<https://www.tamuct.edu/student-affairs/pregnant-and-parenting-students.html>]. If you would like to read more about these [requirements and guidelines](#) online, please visit the website [<http://www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ocr/docs/pregnancy.pdf>].

[Title IX of the Education Amendments Act of 1972](#) specifically prohibits discrimination against a student based on pregnancy, childbirth, false pregnancy, termination of pregnancy, or recovery from any of these conditions [<https://www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ocr/docs/pregnancy.html>].

Students experiencing any form of discrimination due to any of these conditions are encouraged to reach out to the Title IX Coordinator, 254.519.5716, titleix@tamuct.edu, Founders Hall 317B, or the Associate Dean of Student Affairs, 254.501.5909, Warrior Hall 105.

Title IX Rights and Reporting Responsibilities

Texas A&M University-Central Texas is committed to creating a safe and open learning environment for all students. If you or another student has experienced any form of gender discrimination or sexual misconduct, including sexual harassment, sexual assault,

dating/domestic violence, and/or sex-based stalking, help and support are available. Our university strongly encourages all members of our campus community to report incidents and seek support for gender discrimination and sexual misconduct through the Title IX Office. You may contact the Title IX Office at 254.519.5716, titleix@tamuct.edu, Founders Hall 317B, or learn more by visiting the [Title IX webpage](https://www.tamuct.edu/compliance/titleix.html) [https://www.tamuct.edu/compliance/titleix.html].

Please be aware that that under [Title IX](#), [Texas Senate Bill 212](#), and [System Regulation 08.01.01](#), [https://policies.tamus.edu/08-01-01.pdf] all university employees are mandated reporters and are required to disclose information about suspected or alleged violations as listed above and defined in System Regulation 08.01.01. If the Title IX Office receives information about an incident, they will reach out to offer information about resources, rights, and procedural options as a member of the campus community. Although I have an obligation to report, you will, in most cases, control how your case will be handled. When working with the Title IX Office you will have access to resources and accommodations but also have the opportunity to express if you wish to move forward with an investigation. Our goal is to make sure you are aware of the options available to you as a student. Community members are not required to respond to this outreach.

If you or another student wishes to speak to a confidential employee who does not have this reporting responsibility, you can contact the [Student Wellness & Counseling Center](#), [https://www.tamuct.edu/student-affairs/student-counseling.html], 254.501.5955, or swacc@tamuct.edu, located in Warrior Hall Room 207L or the Student Support Advocate, 254.501.5978 or ssa@tamuct.edu, located in founder Hall Room 317D.

University Library & Archives

The University Library & Archives provides many services in support of research across campus and at a distance. We offer over 350 electronic databases containing approximately 1,203,947 eBooks and 134,750 journals, in addition to the 96,879 items in our print collection, which can be mailed to students who live more than 50 miles from campus. Research guides for each subject taught at A&M-Central Texas are available through our website to help students navigate these resources. On campus, the library offers technology including cameras, laptops, microphones, webcams, and digital sound recorders.

Research assistance from a librarian is also available 24 hours a day through our online chat service, and at the reference desk when the library is open. Research sessions can be scheduled for more comprehensive assistance, and may take place virtually through WebEx, Microsoft Teams or in-person at the library. [Schedule an appointment here](#)

[https://tamuct.libcal.com/appointments]. Assistance may cover many topics, including how to find articles in peer-reviewed journals, how to cite resources, and how to piece together research for written assignments.

Our 27,000-square-foot facility on the A&M-Central Texas main campus includes student lounges, private study rooms, group workspaces, computer labs, family areas suitable for all ages, and many other features. Services such as interlibrary loan, TexShare, binding, and

laminating are available. The library frequently offers workshops, tours, readings, and other events. For more information, please visit our [Library website](#)

[<https://tamuct.libguides.com/index>]

University Writing Center

Located in Warrior Hall 416 and online, the University Writing Center (UWC) at Texas A&M University–Central Texas (A&M–Central Texas) is a free service open to all A&M–Central Texas students. The face-to-face hours of operation are from 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Monday and Thursday in Warrior Hall 416. Online tutoring is available Monday thru Thursday from 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. and from 6:00-9:00 p.m. and on Saturdays from 12:00-3:00 p.m.

Tutors are prepared to help writers of all levels and abilities at any stage of the writing process. While tutors will not write, edit, or grade papers, they will assist students in developing more effective composing practices. By providing a practice audience for students' ideas and writing, our tutors highlight the ways in which they read and interpret students' texts, offering guidance and support throughout the various stages of the writing process. In addition, students may work independently in the UWC by checking out a laptop that runs the Microsoft Office suite and connects to WIFI, or by consulting our resources on writing, including all of the relevant style guides. Whether you need help brainstorming ideas, organizing an essay, proofreading, understanding proper citation practices, or just want a quiet place to work, the UWC is here to help!

Students may arrange a one-to-one session with a trained and experienced writing tutor by making an appointment via [WCOOnline](#) [<https://tamuct.mywconline.com/>]. In addition, you can email Dr. Bruce Bowles Jr. at bruce.bowles@tamuct.edu if you have any questions about the UWC, need any assistance with scheduling, or would like to schedule a recurring appointment with your favorite tutor.

OTHER POLICY STATEMENTS

A Note about Sexual Violence at A&M-Central Texas

Sexual violence is a serious safety, social justice, and public health issue. The university offers support for anyone struggling with these issues. University faculty are mandated reporters, so if someone discloses that they were sexually assaulted (or a victim of Domestic/Dating Violence or Stalking) while a student at TAMUCT, faculty members are required to inform the Title IX Office. If you want to discuss any of these issues confidentially, you can do so through Student Wellness and Counseling (254-501-5955) located on the second floor of Warrior Hall (207L).

Sexual violence can occur on our campus because predators often feel emboldened, and victims often feel silenced or shamed. It is incumbent on ALL of us to find ways to actively create environments that tell predators we don't agree with their behaviors and tell survivors we will support them. Your actions matter. Don't be a bystander; be an agent of change. For additional information on campus policy and resources visit the [Title IX webpage](#) [<https://www.tamuct.edu/compliance/titleix.html>].

Behavioral Intervention

Texas A&M University-Central Texas cares about the safety, health, and well-being of its students, faculty, staff, and community. If you are aware of individuals for whom you have a concern, please make a referral to the Behavioral Intervention Team. Referring your concern shows you care. You can complete the [referral](#) online

[<https://cm.maxient.com/reporting.php?TAMUCentralTexas>].

Anonymous referrals are accepted. Please see the [Behavioral Intervention Team](#) website for more information [<https://www.tamuct.edu/bit>]. If a person's behavior poses an imminent threat to you or another, contact 911 or A&M-Central Texas University Police at 254-501-5805.

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