

School of Arts & Sciences Prospectus – Fall 2023

Course Title: Teaching & Learning

Course ID and 7-digit Number: ITAL/FREN/GERM 5990

Course Description

The course focuses on diverse areas of Foreign Language and Second Language Acquisition research and theories and how they apply to foreign language teaching. Students will familiarize themselves with the major foreign language methodologies and approaches, as well as the ACTFL standards and proficiency guidelines for foreign language learning. Similarly, students will analyze the resources and tools for planning instruction in a second language based on Backward Design and the Universal Design for Learning. Furthermore, students will research and discuss the most effective ways to promote diversity, inclusivity, and equity; enhance learning experiences and outcomes through technology; foster engagement and active learning; and build a sense of community in the foreign language classroom.

Class Structure for Fall 2023

- In-person sessions planned
- Students will attend classes R 3:30-5:30 pm
- Students will complete out-of-class assignments as indicated by the instructor

Out-of-class Activities

- Reflective Journals
- Forum Discussion on Canvas
- Lesson planning
- Designing activities, assignments, and assessments
- Creating rubrics

Outline of Assignments and Assessments

- Attendance, Participation, and Engagement 20%
- Reflective Teaching Journal 15%
- Professional Development. 20%
- Presentations 15%
- Tasks & Assignments 20%
- Portfolio 10%

Essential Course Policies

Required textbook: Shrum, Judith L. et. al., *Teacher's Handbook: Contextualized Language Instruction*. Boston, 2016 (5th edition).

- Additional course material provided by the instructor
- Access to Canvas

Any student may consult with [Student Financial Services](#) to find out what support they are eligible to receive to cover course costs or other items that ensure their health, safety, and secure learning environment.

Students needing accommodations of any kind should let the instructor know as soon as they are able.