

Curriculum Content for Paraprofessionals

COMPONENT #: 1-408-306

POINTS TO BE EARNED: 120 MPP

PART I – PLANNING

DESCRIPTION: Write a brief description of content and intent of component.

This component is designed to enable the participant to research, examine, and implement the current strategies, teaching techniques, and recent trends in the content area.

STANDARDS/FOCUS AREAS ADDRESSED BY COMPONENT: Identify the standards, national/state/district imperatives, initiatives or key focus areas this component supports.

Standards for Professional Learning (choose one)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Learning Communities | <input type="checkbox"/> Learning Designs |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Leadership | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Implementation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Resources | <input type="checkbox"/> Outcomes |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Data | |

Florida Educator Accomplished Practices (check all that apply)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Instructional Design and Lesson Planning | <input type="checkbox"/> Assessment |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Learning Environment | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Continuous Professional Improvement |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Instructional Delivery and Facilitation | <input type="checkbox"/> Professional Responsibility and Ethical Conduct |

Florida Leadership Standards (check all that apply)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Student Learning Results | <input type="checkbox"/> Decision Making |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Student Learning as a Priority | <input type="checkbox"/> Leadership Development |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Instructional Plan Implementation | <input type="checkbox"/> School Management |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Faculty Development | <input type="checkbox"/> Communication |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Learning Environment | <input type="checkbox"/> Professional and Ethical Behaviors |

IPEGS Standards (check all that apply)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> PS 2 – Knowledge of Learners | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PS 6 – Communication |
| <input type="checkbox"/> PS 3 – Instructional Planning | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PS 7 – Professionalism |
| <input type="checkbox"/> PS 4 – Instructional Delivery and Engagement | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PS 8 – Learning Environment |
| <input type="checkbox"/> PS 5 – Assessment | |

IMPACT FOCUS AREA(S): select the intended impact focus area(s) from the choices below. Note that Impact Evaluation procedures should reflect this level of impact.

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Educator knowledge/skill (content) | <input type="checkbox"/> Student learning |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Educator (professional growth) | <input type="checkbox"/> Organizational support and change |

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SPECIFIC LEARNER OUTCOMES: Identify the intended learner outcomes (number and content of learner outcomes should be reflective of the total points participants will earn as a result of completing this learning).

1. Identify current research issues and developments in the content area and field of educational practices, e.g. reading, writing, mathematics, and science.
2. Use the internet as a tool to conduct and study current research issues and developments in the field of educational practices.
3. Understand the needs of special education students in the classroom and assist in implementing the IEP.
4. Understand the identities of the various cultural and language groups in Miami-Dade County in order to make instructional accommodations in the classroom.
5. Identify practical applications of using the research in the classroom.
6. Relate the research to the Sunshine State Standards.
7. Assist in examining the strategies and techniques for the purpose of adapting the materials to various student achievement levels.
8. Assist in developing skills in analyzing and assessing instructional materials.
9. Discuss the expected impact on student achievement of the research studied.
10. Identify the characteristics of students at various levels of human growth and development.
11. Identify the statutes, rules, procedures and directives that affect adult-student relations.

PART II – LEARNING

LEARNING PROCEDURES: Describe the experiences (the “what”) and formats/methods (the “how”) that will be used to provide participants with the knowledge and skills sufficient to master the intended learner outcome of this component.

1. Participate actively in the instructor's lectures/presentations on:
 - o Classroom issues and strategies in education (SLO 1-11)
 - o Practical applications of the research in the classroom (SLO 5)
 - o Innovative strategies, techniques, materials and activities (SLO 1, 2, 7 & 8)
 - o General objectives that can be met with the identified innovative strategies, techniques, materials, and technological activities. (SLO 6-8)
2. Utilize the internet to locate current research developments in a specific content area (SLO 1 & 2).
3. Discuss, in a small group, how the innovative strategies, techniques, materials, and technological activities can be used to support specific instructional objectives (SLO 6-8).
4. Identify practical applications of the research in the classroom (SLO 5).
5. Discuss, in a small group, the strategies, techniques, materials, and technological activities for the purpose of adapting them to various student development and achievement levels (SLO 1, 7, 9, & 10).
6. Provide a product related to the learning verifying implementation and impact to professional behavior.
7. Monitor and adjust programs, as needed, as a result of the implementation feedback and findings.

PART III – IMPLEMENTATION

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IMPLEMENTATION PROCEDURES: Method(s) and resource(s) that will be provided to support implementation of new learning for participants (check all that apply).

- Apply newly acquired professional knowledge, skills, dispositions, and behaviors to improve practice.
- Provide sufficient classroom- and school-focused support and assistance by skillful coaches, mentors, or others to the educator to ensure high-fidelity implementation of professional learning.
- Provide educators with web-based resources and assistance to support implementation of professional learning.

PART IV – EVALUATION

IMPACT EVALUATION PROCEDURES: Describe the processes that will be used to determine the impact (as identified in previous section titled “Impact Focus Areas”). Description should reflect methods for determining at least ONE of those areas, and will include a specific section for each impact focus area identified for this component.

1. Educator Knowledge/skill: Will consist of observation of participants using the identified skills, techniques, methods, specified in the component objectives during the learning events; will also include reflective journal entries of participants after receiving feedback from their peers.
2. Educator: Evidence will include classroom walk-throughs, student materials, parent communication, surveys, participant reflections, participant portfolios.

COMPONENT EVALUATION PROCEDURES: Describe the process(es) that will be used to determine the effectiveness of this component to include design, implementation and impact (check all that apply).

- Evaluate the impact of all professional learning on educator’s practice through reflection, assessment, collaborative protocols for examining educator practice and work samples, peer visits, and/or professional portfolios.
- Determine the degree to which educator’s professional learning contributed to student performance gains as measured by classroom assessment data.
- Use summative and formative data from state or national standardized student achievement measures, when available, or other measures of student learning and behavior such as district achievement tests, progress monitoring, educator-constructed tests, action research results, discipline referrals, and/or portfolios of student work to assess the impact of professional learning.

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