



MODEL TEACHING®
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Understanding and Supporting Students with Dyslexia

COURSE SYLLABUS



1 Semester Credit

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 University of Massachusetts Global A nonprofit affiliate	1 Graduate Level Semester Credit	WASC SENIOR COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY COMMISSION (WSCUC)	EDNU 9115

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Course Title: Understanding and Supporting Students with Dyslexia

Credits/ Hours: 1 semester credit

Credit-hour equivalency. This course is a 1-credit hour course that consists of 15 hours of in-seat time. The course includes reading content, watching course videos, reviewing resources, reading articles and studies, and participating in course activities. Please view the “Course Outline” below for a detailed look at the course structure and components.

Course Description:

This course will help you better understand your students that have been diagnosed with dyslexia. You will learn about the common weaknesses in certain skills for children with dyslexia, common symptoms of dyslexia, and general strategies and ideas to incorporate into your classroom so that all students can be successful. The course also comes with a printable guide to help provide you with easy-to-implement ideas to build a nurturing environment that supports your students with dyslexia. You will analyze and learn about this topic through videos, articles, studies, and other resources. You will also design a comprehensive implementation plan for the classroom and an original resource that can be used to support implementation.

Course Objectives:

- Define dyslexia and learn about each type
- Evaluate the signs and symptoms of dyslexia
- Plan for
- Critique, analyze, and summarize specific articles, resources, and studies on the needs of students with dyslexia
- Plan and build a Classroom Implementation Plan for immediate classroom use focused on improving student support in the classroom through strategies and interventions.
- Build and describe the use of a resource aligned with the classroom implementation plan that is critical for supporting students with dyslexia.

Course Outline:

Module 1: Lesson. The video and article will explain what dyslexia is and how it is typically diagnosed by healthcare professionals. It will review some symptoms and signs of how dyslexia may manifest in the learning environment, then present some simple strategies for teachers to support these students alongside their regular accommodations.

- Completion of the content video, article reading (PDF format), and Model Teaching resource analysis and review.

Module 2: Quiz. Answer questions related to dyslexia.

- Questions to check for understanding of the course content. Quizzes are automatically scored and provide feedback on answer choice rationale.

Module 3: Reflection. The reflection requires you to plan for use of the “try this task”: Plan for some strategies that can be integrated into a future lesson or classroom to help support your students with dyslexia.

- Reflect on the video lesson and article content and consider the “try this task,” then build a response for how you plan on utilizing the concepts in the course so far. Considerations and criteria for crafting your response are provided in the course module.

Module 4: Reading and Content Summaries. You will read articles, watch videos, and review studies focused on dyslexia, support and intervention strategies for students with dyslexia, and student behaviors to notice.

- Watch all provided videos and read all provided articles, reports, and case studies. Then, choose three articles and write a summary and critical response for each chosen piece of content. Considerations and criteria for crafting your response are provided in the course module. A Content Summaries Template will be provided to you, and you will upload your completed template. You will receive instructor feedback on your submission.

Module 5: Resource Design. You will design a classroom resource aimed at supporting course concepts.

- Create your own resource that will help you implement the concepts from this course. A resource design planning template will be provided to guide you in creating your resource, but you will upload your own original resource that supports the implementation of course concepts in the classroom. You will receive instructor feedback on your submission.

Module 6: Implementation Plan. You will design a plan to implement your knowledge of supporting students with dyslexia.

- Build a thorough implementation plan that you can use to implement the ideas from this course into your classroom, including key action items and dates, resource design, and planning requirements. A Classroom Implementation Planning Template will be provided to help you plan the critical components to consider for implementation and to aid you in your final response which will also include a reflection and summary of the ideas in the course. You will upload your completed template and provide an additional reflection response. You will receive instructor feedback on your submission.

Required External Resources

Not applicable. All required resources are provided within the course.

Credit Hours Calculations

Modules	In-Seat Time (hrs)
Video Content	1
Quiz	.25
Reflection	1.25
Reading and Content Summaries	7.5
Implementation Plan	3
Resource Design	2

Grading

Modules	Points
Video Content	N/A
Quiz	10
Reflection	50
Reading Content	100
Implementation Plan	100
Resource Design	50

This course provides a letter grade using a ten-percentage point grading scale. A grade of A= 90%-100% You must earn 279 points or higher in this course to receive an A. A grade of B= 80%- 89%. You must earn 248 points to 278 points in this course to receive a B. A grade of B or higher is required for credit. A grade of unsatisfactory is any score below 80% or 248 points and does not provide credit. Grading rubrics can be downloaded in the introduction module of each course within your course dashboard or at the link here: <https://www.modelteaching.com/rubrics>

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COURSE SUBMISSIONS

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All submissions must be performed within the Model Teaching course platform. If you need assistance in submitting assignments, please contact us.

TECHNOLOGY REQUIREMENTS

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-PRINCIPAL

I AM FINDING ALL YOUR COURSES USEFUL, BUT THIS ONE IS CLEARLY MY FAVORITE SO FAR, MOSTLY FOR THE WAY I WAS ABLE TO PUT SO MANY OF MY OWN IDEAS INTO THE LESSON WHILE STILL FEELING I HAD ACCOMPLISHED ALL THAT WAS REQUIRED. WELL DONE!

-ELEMENTARY TEACHER

WHAT YOU PRESENTED IN [THIS COURSE] IS NOW PART OF MY GOALS AND ACTION PLANS FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR. I'M SO EXCITED TO PUT THESE TO USE!

-ELA TEACHER

WITH SUCH A BUSY SCHEDULE, IT'S HARD TO IMPLEMENT NEW STRATEGIES AND TECHNIQUES BUT THIS COURSE MADE IT SO EASY! THE COURSE GAVE ME GREAT IDEAS ON HOW TO USE COLLABORATIVE LEARNING GROUPS WITH MY STUDENTS AND THE RESOURCES AND PLANNING DOCUMENTS MADE IT EFFORTLESS TO GET STARTED!

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