



DOMINICAN UNIVERSITY of CALIFORNIA

School of Liberal Arts and Education

Gateways to Learning **EDUO 9033E SIX SEMESTER CREDITS/UNITS** **Instructor: Ryan Pickett** rpickett@dominicancaonline.com

This course is open only to those who have NOT taken the live, 6-Week Summer course, EDUO 9033

Note: This is a Public syllabus of the course. For a full detailed syllabus please email the instructor.

Course Overview

Education reform is often based on the latest unproven fad and its implementation is not only impractical but takes years. There is no need to wait for education reform to make needed changes. Learn how to create a curriculum that utilizes straightforward, research-based learning strategies where students feel capable and ready to learn. This course will teach educators how to open the gateways to student learning and will renew their enthusiasm for the teaching profession.

Course Objectives

In this course, participants will have the opportunity to:

- develop an understanding of how today's students learn.
- investigate and learn practical strategies that utilize how students learn.
- participate in lessons, activities, and projects that are designed to demonstrate how to create curriculum and classrooms in which students feel capable of learning.
- demonstrate the ability to create curriculum and classroom environments that open the gateway for all students to learn.

Course Relation to CCS or other Professional Standards

This course aligns to the following professional teaching standards: <http://www.cde.ca.gov/pd/ps/index.asp>

- Engaging and Supporting all Students in Learning
- Creating and Maintaining Effective Environments for Student Learning
- Understanding and Organizing Subject Matter for Student Learning
- Planning Instruction and Designing Learning Experiences for all Students

Class Resources

Participants are not required to purchase any books or articles for this course. All required readings, videos, and details directions for each assignment will be provided online in the resource section of this course after you register.

Course Assignments Preview

1. **Find Your Greatness #1**
2. **True or False**
3. **Learning By Doing**
4. **Goal Setting**
5. **Introduction to the Social Brain**
6. **Find Your Greatness #2**
7. **The Social Brain**
8. **Research Based Tips #1**
9. **Introduction to Group Work Done Right**
10. **Find Your Greatness #3**
11. **Group Work Done Right**
12. **Research Based Tips #2**
13. **Standards**
14. **Introduction to the Emotional Brain**
15. **Find My Greatness #4**
16. **The Emotional Brain**
17. **Research Based Tips #3**
18. **Introduction to Fostering Resilient Learners**
19. **Find Your Greatness #5**
20. **Fostering Resilient Learners**
21. **Research Based Tips #4**
22. **Goals Revisited**
23. **Find Your Greatness #6**
24. **Learning Strategies Across the Curriculum**
25. **Research Based Tips #5**
26. **Find Your Greatness #7**

- 27. **Comic Book Adaption**
- 28. **Create Your Own Article**
- 29. **Professional Development**
- 30. **Self-Reflection**

Course Assessment Rubric

Exemplary: A to A-	Acceptable: B+ to B-	Unacceptable Must be resubmitted
Reflective, thoughtful ideas relevant to the assignment are clearly stated	Presents some relevant ideas and connections to the assignment	Ideas are not clear or relevant
Very well organized	Generally well organized	Shows little or no organization
Responses relate numerous facts and specific details of the program materials	Some facts and specific details of the program materials are included	Few or no facts or specific details of the program materials are included
Free of spelling and/or grammatical errors	Writing contains a few spelling and/or grammatical errors	Numerous spelling and/or grammatical errors make the writing difficult to read

- You are allowed 9 months to complete the course. Course questions? Contact your instructor by email.
- For questions involving your registration or to change your address please contact us at support@dominicanCAonline.com or call (800) 626-5080.
- For Dominican Self-Guided course information go to <http://dominicancaonline.com/Dominican-CA-Online-FAQ>.