PROJECTS

Project 1

Describe Culture Issues in YOUR Classroom (30% of your grade; scored on a 0-30 basis)

- Purpose: To think about your classroom in terms of its cultural issues and how you can respond to them
- The classroom where you’re teaching now or where you intend to teach
- Choose from the following student audiences: Adult Ed. EFL Higher Ed. or K-12
  - Describe who your students are and their cultures
  - Describe the environment where they need to use English to be successful
  - Describe Cultural Issues that students and you (the teacher) may encounter in class
  - Describe how you plan to respond to these cultural issues while teaching

Go to the class Blackboard site. Go to “Finding Your Way.” Click on “All Syllabus Materials.” Under “Project Description/Criteria” you will find the “First Project Description,” a completion checklist and model projects for each student audience from last year’s class.

NOTE: You will check in twice with your instructor, once by 2/5. The paper is due 3/18.

Project 2

30% of your grade; scored on a 0-10 basis)

For your second project, you will choose from one of six projects to gain practice in doing classroom research related to cultural issues. You will select one of the following topics (K-12 participants will choose Projects highlighted in yellow):

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<td>Unpack a content standard or content course unit to highlight both language &amp; literacy</td>
<td>Analyze a classroom culture and then create your own (ideal) classroom culture in its stead</td>
<td>Scaffold someone to engage in a skill or task. A “success rubric” is required: the skill must require practice; must require modeling</td>
<td>Design a 32 to 40 hour cultural/language learning course syllabus for a specified learner audience w/ one fully developed lesson</td>
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To support you in this project you must meet with your instructor about your research design by 4/1, and The paper is due 4/30. Models of all assignments are available with the instructor. For details, go to the class Blackboard site. “Course Information” Click on “All Syllabus Materials.” Under “Project Description/Criteria” you will find the “Second Project Descriptions.”