

Unit Outline (Higher Education)

Institute / School: Institute of Education, Arts & Community

Unit Title: Advanced Mathematical Pedagogies

Unit ID: EDBED4111

Credit Points: 15.00

Prerequisite(s): (EDBED3112)

Co-requisite(s): (EDBED4112)

Exclusion(s): Nil

ASCED: 070103

Description of the Unit:

This unit extends PSTs understanding of advanced pedagogies that are used to develop mathematical skills and cater for the diverse range of learners in any primary classroom. Thinking routines will be explored with a focus on using thinking routines as a regular feature of mathematics classes to strengthen links between mathematical concepts. Rich assessment tasks will be developed using real world contexts that engage students. These tasks will then be evaluated to understand the richness of data that is obtained from such tasks. Differentiation will be another focus of the unit examining different ways that work can be differentiated in line with current theoretical research on differentiation. This unit will explore pedagogies such as point of need teaching, inquiry and grouping within the classroom through data use. Writing accurate reports based on data and coding using both spreadsheets and commercially available software will also be explored.

Grade Scheme: Graded (HD, D, C, P, MF, F, XF)

Work Experience:

No work experience

Placement Component: No

Supplementary Assessment: Yes

Where supplementary assessment is available a student must have failed overall in the Unit but gained a final mark of 45 per cent or above, has completed all major assessment tasks (including all sub-components where a task has multiple parts) as specified in the Unit Description and is not eligible for any other form of supplementary assessment.

Course Level:

Level of Unit in Course	AQF Level of Course					
	5	6	7	8	9	10
Introductory	■	■	■	■	■	■
Intermediate	■	■	■	■	■	■
Advanced	■	■	✓	■	■	■

Learning Outcomes:
Knowledge:

- K1.** Examine effective differentiation strategies for Mathematics at a primary level to meet the specific learning needs of students.
- K2.** Examine the links between curriculum assessment and reporting.
- K3.** Analyse point of need teaching and its links to differentiation.
- K4.** Explore a range of resources, including ICT resources that engages students.
- K5.** Recognise how thinking routines can provide activities that have multiple entry points.

Skills:

- S1.** Adapt work to differentiate for learners with specific learning needs.
- S2.** Write accurate reports based on a range of assessments data.
- S3.** Reflect on the thinking processes associated with the teaching and learning of Mathematics.
- S4.** Incorporate appropriate technology in the learning of Mathematics.
- S5.** Develop classroom activities that engage and meet learning needs.

Application of knowledge and skills:

- A1.** Develop a fully differentiated lesson plan incorporating theoretical understandings about the teaching and learning of Mathematics.
- A2.** Design classroom resources that use thinking routines as their basis.
- A3.** Write simple code for mathematical situations and develop coding for classroom use.
- A4.** Write accurate reports based on assessment data and other evidence.

Unit Content:

Topics to be covered:

Differentiation

- Differentiation techniques for use in the primary mathematics classroom.
- Examining how current curriculum documents build learning sequences.
- Documenting differentiation in topic, term and yearly plans.
- Using assessment data as a tool to differentiate.
- Using evidence to construct reports based on evidence including assessment data.
- Using point of need teaching to differentiate instruction.

Thinking

- Linking thinking routines to the content strands of mathematics as listed in current curriculum documents.
- Designing learning activities and sequences in mathematics using thinking routines.
- The purpose and uses of rich assessment tasks.

- Writing rich assessment tasks with real world contexts for mathematics.
- Using inquiry in mathematics to extend all students.

Coding

- Coding through spreadsheets.
- Coding using commercially available software.
- Developing coding activities for classroom use.

FEDTASKS

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FEDTASK attribute and descriptor		Development and acquisition of FEDTASKS in the Unit	
		Learning Outcomes (KSA)	Assessment task (AT#)
FEDTASK 1 Interpersonal	Students will demonstrate the ability to effectively communicate, inter-act and work with others both individually and in groups. Students will be required to display skills in-person and/or online in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Using effective verbal and non-verbal communication • Listening for meaning and influencing via active listening • Showing empathy for others • Negotiating and demonstrating conflict resolution skills • Working respectfully in cross-cultural and diverse teams. 	S2, A4	AT3
FEDTASK 2 Leadership	Students will demonstrate the ability to apply professional skills and behaviours in leading others. Students will be required to display skills in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Creating a collegial environment • Showing self-awareness and the ability to self-reflect • Inspiring and convincing others • Making informed decisions • Displaying initiative 	K1, S1, A1	AT2
FEDTASK 3 Critical Thinking and Creativity	Students will demonstrate an ability to work in complexity and ambiguity using the imagination to create new ideas. Students will be required to display skills in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reflecting critically • Evaluating ideas, concepts and information • Considering alternative perspectives to refine ideas • Challenging conventional thinking to clarify concepts • Forming creative solutions in problem solving. 	K1, S1, A1	AT2

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		Learning Outcomes (KSA)	Assessment task (AT#)
FEDTASK 4 Digital Literacy	Students will demonstrate the ability to work fluently across a range of tools, platforms and applications to achieve a range of tasks. Students will be required to display skills in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Finding, evaluating, managing, curating, organising and sharing digital information • Collating, managing, accessing and using digital data securely • Receiving and responding to messages in a range of digital media • Contributing actively to digital teams and working groups • Participating in and benefiting from digital learning opportunities. 	K4, S4, A3	AT1
FEDTASK 5 Sustainable and Ethical Mindset	Students will demonstrate the ability to consider and assess the consequences and impact of ideas and actions in enacting ethical and sustainable decisions. Students will be required to display skills in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Making informed judgments that consider the impact of devising solutions in global economic environmental and societal contexts • Committing to social responsibility as a professional and a citizen • Evaluating ethical, socially responsible and/or sustainable challenges and generating and articulating responses • Embracing lifelong, life-wide and life-deep learning to be open to diverse others • Implementing required actions to foster sustainability in their professional and personal life. 	Not applicable	Not applicable

Learning Task and Assessment:

Learning Outcomes Assessed	Assessment Tasks	Assessment Type	Weighting
K4, S4, A3; APST: 3.4, 2.6	Write code to solve simple mathematics based problems and develop a classroom coding activity for student use.	Developing classroom resources	30-40%
K1, K3, K5, S1, S3, S5, A1, A2; APST: 1.5, 2.1, 2.3, 2.5	Develop fully differentiated lesson plans (including rationale) that incorporates a range of resources including ICT and thinking routines.	Academic report, Lesson Planning	60-70%
K2, S2, A4; APST: 2.3	Write accurate student reports in mathematics based on evidence and assessment data.	Hurdle task	S/U

Adopted Reference Style:

APA

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Professional Standards / Competencies:
Australian Professional Standards for Teachers (AITSL) - Graduate Teacher: Initial

Attribute	Assessed	Level
Professional Knowledge		
1. Know students and how they learn		
1.5 Differentiate teaching to meet the specific learning needs of students across the full range of abilities Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of strategies for differentiating teaching to meet the specific learning needs of students across the full range of abilities.	Yes	Advanced
2. Know the content and how to teach it		
2.1 Content and teaching strategies of the teaching area Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of the concepts, substance and structure of the content and teaching strategies of the teaching area.	Yes	Advanced
2.3 Curriculum, assessment and reporting Use curriculum, assessment and reporting knowledge to design learning sequences and lesson plans.	Yes	Advanced
2.5 Literacy and numeracy strategies Know and understand literacy and numeracy teaching strategies and their application in teaching areas.	Yes	Advanced
2.6 Information and Communication Technology (ICT) Implement teaching strategies for using ICT to expand curriculum learning opportunities for students.	Yes	Advanced
Professional Practice		
3. Plan for and implement effective teaching and learning		
3.4 Select and use resources Demonstrate knowledge of a range of resources, including ICT, that engage students in their learning.	Yes	Advanced