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COURSE TO BE REVIEWED: (six years after UEC approval)

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## OFFICIAL UNDERGRADUATE COURSE OUTLINE FORM

Note: The University reserves the right to amend course outlines as needed without notice.

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### **Learning Outcomes**

Upon successful completion of this course, students will be able to:

- Describe a range of approaches to curriculum design in language education.
- Demonstrate constructive alignment of learning outcomes, instructional tasks and assessment across a unit plan in a language learning and teaching context.
- Design a range of classroom assessments to support learning in language learning contexts including needs, formative and summative assessments.
- Apply language standard frameworks, and the Canadian Language Benchmarks (CLB) in particular, to design Portfolio-Based Language Assessments (PBLAs).

Prior Learning Assessment and Recognition (PLAR)  ☐ Yes ☐ No, PLAR cannot be awarded for this course because				
Typical Instructional Methods (guest lecturers, presentations, online instruction, field trips, etc.; may vary at department's discretion)				
Students will facilitate online learning discussions of weekly readings with tasks associated with that week's topic. In F2F classes, students will present their major assignments and work in groups to explore critical issues raised in the course to-date.				
Grading system: Letter Grades: ⊠ Credit/No Credit: □ Labs to be scheduled independent of lecture hours: Yes □ No ⊠				

NOTE: The following sections may vary by instructor. Please see course syllabus available from the instructor.

# Typical Text(s) and Resource Materials (if more space is required, download Supplemental Texts and Resource Materials form)

	Author (surname, initials)	Title (article, book, journal, etc.)	Current ed.	Publisher	Year
1	Coombs, C., Folse, K., & Hubley, N.	A Practical Guide to Assessing English Language Learners.		University of Michigan Press	2007
1.	Christison, M. & Murray, D.	What English Language Teachers Need to Know Volume III: Designing Curriculum.	$\boxtimes$	Routledge	2014
2.	Nation, I.S.P., and Macalister, J.	Language Curriculum Design		Routledge	2010
3.	Macalister, J., and Nation, I.S.P.	Case Studies in Language Curriculum Design: Concepts and Approaches in Action Around the World		Routledge	2011
4.	McKay, S.L., & Brown, J.D.	Teaching and Assessing EIL in Local Contexts Around the World		Routledge	2014
5.	Centre for Canadian Language Benchmarks	Canadian Language Benchmarks	$\boxtimes$	CCLB	2011
6.	Centre for Canadian Language Benchmarks	PBLA Practical Guidelines			

#### Typical Evaluation Methods and Weighting

Final exam:	%	Assignments:	75%	Midterm exam:	25%	Practicum:	%
Quizzes/tests:	%	Lab work:	%	Field experience:	%	Shop work:	%
Other:	%	Other:	%	Other:	%	Total:	100%

**Details (if necessary):** Students will demonstrate a constructive alignment table for a unit that clearly demonstrates the ability to identify and align learning outcomes (aligned to standards), classroom teaching, and assessment. They will prepare an assessment package that demonstrates the ability to use standards like the CLB in designing language assessments. Because of the amount of information in the readings, it may be advisable t have a late mid-term after week 10, perhaps, so students can move from reviewing to applying.

## **Typical Course Content and Topics**

- Week 1: Introduction to Curriculum and Assessment
- Week 2: Using Curriculum to Connect Lessons, Units, Programs, and Target Communities of Practice
- Week 3: Learning-Centred Curriculum Design: OBE, competency-based, and standards-based curriculum design
- Week 4: Language standards and the CLB Integrating language standards in curriculum and assessment
- Week 5: Assessment Moving from needs assessment to learning outcomes to placement testing in language education
- Week 6: Constructive Alignment: Designing curriculum that align standards, learning outcomes, assessments, and learning tasks
- Week 7: Curriculum I: Communicative and Task-based Design
- Week 8: Curriculum II: Academic, Genre-Based, and Content-Based Approaches

Week 9: Curriculum III: Language Skills-Based Approach - Dividing or integrating skills

Week 10: Curriculum IV: Vocabulary, Structural, and Notional-Functional Approaches

Week 11: Language assessment – classroom or formative assessment, self-/peer-assessment, and e-portfolios Week 12: Language assessment – summative assessment and high-stakes language testing

Week 13: Implementing curriculum and assessment innovations

Week 14: Presenting curriculum and assessment models - Peer learning