EED 436- SOCIAL STUDIES IN THE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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REQUIRED TEXT

Social Studies in the Elementary and Middle School. Available at Eagle Graphics in Huntsville.

COURSE DESCRIPTION

The purpose of this course is to help prepare you for a career in the teaching profession. Emphasis will be placed on content knowledge and the development of methodological skills through field based experiences. The nature of social studies as a discipline and the scope and sequence of appropriate content for each grade level will be explored. Constructivist principles and ideas will be practiced in this course. Active involvement in class projects and assignments will enable you to develop an understanding of curriculum, instructional methods and materials, and evaluation techniques for elementary and middle grades social studies based upon education research, contemporary practice and State and National standards for social studies education. During your methods semester you will be placed in an EC-4 public school classroom and have opportunities to plan, implement, and assess instruction. At least two of your lessons will be teaching a social studies lesson (i.e., a concept lesson and a generalization lesson). For these lessons you will turn in a lesson plan for pre-approval, the materials used to conduct these lessons, and a reflection on the success of the lessons. Your field experience performance will constitute half of the grade for this course.

COURSE and IDEA OBJECTIVES

Standards Matrix:

Objectives/Learning Outcomes The candidate:	Activities *Indicates field-based activity	Assessment	Standards
Demonstrates factual knowledge relating to teaching social studies in the schools (terminology, classifications, methods, and trends)	Exam # 1 Exam # 2	Test - Selected response and constructed response	NAEYC-4b NAEYC-4c
Applies fundamental principles, generalizations, and theories relating to teaching social studies in the schools.	Tour of Countries assignment The purpose is to help candidates become familiar with developing games and activities to use in the teaching of facts. (See attachment) Concept Book assignment* The purpose is to help candidates demonstrate understanding that teaching concepts is more than having students memorizing vocabulary words. (See attachment)	Product performance A game or activity designed facts about another country. Product performance A concept book will be made.	PPR-3 PPR-7 PPR-8 NAEYC-4b NAEYC-4c NCSS- 1 - 10
	Generalization Script assignment*		

Applies course material to improve	The purpose is to help candidates demonstrate understanding that generalizations is more than having students memorizing sayings and expressions. This activity helps candidates to plan such a lesson and Map out ahead of time where they would like it to go and how it might get there through their prompting. (See attachment) Two Week Grid of Thematic Unit	Product performance A script will be developed that teaches a generalization to a group of children. Product performance	PPR-7
thinking, problem solving, and decision making in regards to teaching social studiers in the schools.	focused on SS Topic The purpose is to have the candidates plan a 10 day unit and demonstrate that they understand the different components of social studies. In the unit you will have the opportunity to include all that we have discussed this semester in the preparation of the unit. (See attachment)	A grid or plan of a two week social studies unit will be developed.	PPR-8 NAEYC-4c
Demonstrates specific skills, competencies, and points of view needed by teachers as professionals.	Contextual Factor Paper The purpose is to have the candidates demonstrate how a multitude of factors influence the planning of instruction, implementation of planning, and the assessment of instruction. You will have the opportunity to consider your field experience placement and the factors that will influence your planning in the teaching of these particular children. (See attachment)	Product performance A paper discussing the contextual factors in planning instruction in the field experience classroom.	PPR-3 PPR-7 PPR-8 PPR-10 NAEYC-4c
	*Field Experience: Learning Plans, Learning Plan Reflections, Mentor Lesson Evaluation, Mentor Disposition Evaluation, Field Experience Checklist	Product performance, Evaluations	

STANDARDS

Texas Pedagogy and Professional Responsibilities (PPR)

Site: http://texes.ets.org/assets/pdf/testprep_manuals/100_pedprofrespec_4.pdf

Standard I: The teacher designs instruction appropriate for all students that reflects an understanding of relevant content and is based on continuous and appropriate assessment.

Domain I: Designing Instruction and Assessment to Promote Student Learning

Competency 003: The teacher understands procedures for designing effective and coherent instruction and assessment based on appropriate learning goals and objectives

Domain III: Implementing Effective, Responsive Instruction and Assessment

Competency 007: The teacher understands and applies principles and strategies for communicating effectively in varied teaching and learning contexts.

Competency 008: The teacher provides appropriate instruction that actively engages students in the learning process.

Competency 010: The teacher monitors student performance and achievement; provides students with timely, high-quality feedback; and responds flexibly to promote learning for all students.

National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC)

Site: http://www.naeyc.org/academy/standards/

Standard 4: Teaching and Learning. Candidates integrate their

b. understanding of developmentally effective approaches to teaching, and

c. learning and their knowledge of academic disciplines to design, implement, and evaluate experiences that promote positive development and learning for all children.

National Council for the Social Studies (NCSS)

Site: http://www.socialstudies.org/standards/strands/

- Standard 1: Culture. Social studies programs should include experiences that provide for the study of culture and cultural diversity.
- Standard 2: Time, Continuity, and Change. Social studies programs should include experiences that provide for the study of the ways human beings view themselves in and over time.
- Standard 3: People, Places, and Environment. Social studies programs should include experiences that provide for the study of people, places, and environments.
- Standard 4: Individual Development and Identity. Social studies programs should include experiences that provide for the study of individual development and identity.
- Standard 5: Individuals, Groups, and Institutions. Social studies programs should include experiences that provide for the study of interactions among individuals, groups, and institutions.
- Standard 6: Power, Authority, and Governance. Social studies programs should include experiences that provide for the study of how people create and change structures of power, authority, and governance.
- Standard 7: Production, Distribution, and Consumption. Social studies programs should include experiences that provide for the study of how people organize for the production, distribution, and consumption of goods and services.
- Standard 8: Science, Technology, and Society. Social studies programs should include experiences that provide for the study of relationships among science, technology, and society.
- Standard 9: Global Connections. Social studies programs should include experiences that provide for the study of global connections and interdependence.
- Standard 10: Civic Ideals and Practices. Social studies programs should include experiences that provide for the study of the ideals, principles, and practices of citizenship in a democratic republic.

COURSE FORMAT

This course will consist of lecture, discussion, small group work, and in-class and out-of-class activities designed to help candidates further their knowledge, skills, and dispositions in regards to teaching social studies in the public schools.

COURSE CONTENT

Content will include theory and pedagogy related to teaching social studies knowledge (i.e., concepts, facts, and generalizations), skills (i.e., thinking and data gathering and interpretive skills), and values. The integration of social studies with other subject fields will also be discussed.

REQUIREMENTS, MAJOR ASSIGNMENTS, AND EXAMS

Requirement: *Professionalism*: You will be expected to conduct yourself in a professional manner at all times, in methods courses and in field experience.

Requirement: *Membership in the Texas Council for the Social Studies*. You will be required to join the Texas Council for the Social Studies. Information for membership will be given the first week of class.

Assignments: Five (5) activities will be due during the course:

- 1) a Concept Lesson (You'll develop and use a concept book with children in your field experience)
- 2) a Fact Lesson (You'll develop a game or activity designed to teach facts with children)
- 3) a Generalization Lesson (You'll develop an approach to teach a generalization to children in your field experience)

- a Contextual Factor paper of your field experience setting, (You will have the opportunity to consider your field experience placement and the factors that will influence your planning in the teaching of these particular children and report on these factors)
- 5) a Two-week Grid of a particular unit theme or focus. You will have the opportunity to plan a 10 day unit and demonstrate that you understand the different components of social studies. In the unit you will have the opportunity to include all that we have discussed this semester in the preparation of the unit.

See attachment for details. Rubrics will be given later.

Major

Exams: Two exams will be given. The two exams will consist of objective and essay questions.

All out of class work is graded on content, grammar, punctuation, spelling, etc. Late assignments will be penalized five points per day that they are late. All out of class assignments should be typed.

All due dates will be given the first week of class.

EVALUATION

Field Experience Perfor	rmance	150	points
(Lesson Plans, Evaluation	ons, Professional		
Responsibilities and Att	ributes, Portfolio)		
Concept Lesson (*field	d-based)	75	points
Fact Lesson		30	points
Generalization Lesson (*field-based)	75	points
Two Week Grid		30	points
Contextual Factor Paper		80	points
2 Exams @ 80 points each		160	points
		600	total points possible
552-600 points	A		r
492-551.9 points	В		
432-491.9 points	C		
372-431.9 points	D		
371.9 points or lower	F		

A grade of D or lower will require that the course be retaken before you are eligible for student teaching.

ATTENDANCE POLICY

Absences: As per University policy, candidates will not be penalized for one three hour absence during the methods semester. This one-class period absence should be used carefully for emergencies and illnesses. It is important that candidates notify the professor via email or phone call prior to, or on the day of, the absence regardless of the reason for the absence.

After the second absence the candidate will be notified they have exceeded the maximum allowed. Upon a third absence, the candidate will attend a conference with the methods professors as well as the Chairperson of Curriculum and Instruction to determine if the candidate needs to continue in the program. Excessive absences can constitute reasons for lowering of semester grades, and possibly, removal from the methods semester. The candidate is responsible for obtaining and completing any assignments missed due to absence. Any missed group work will result in an individual assignment.

If a candidate misses a day of field experience, arrangements must be made with the methods instructors and the mentor teacher to make up that day before the end of the semester. This make up day should be at the convenience of the mentor teacher and the school.

Tardies: If a candidate is fifteen minutes late to class or leaves class fifteen minutes or more before class is over, an absence will be recorded. A candidate who shows a pattern of being a few minutes late (but less than 15) will be notified that continuation will result in being counted absent and procedures for being absent will follow.

STUDENT DISABILITIES

If you have a disability that may affect your academic performance, you are expected to arrange for a conference with me immediately so that appropriate strategies can be considered to ensure that participation and academic opportunities are not impaired. Notification by the Counseling Center is expected.

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

Date	Topic	Assignments Due
Wed Jan 16	Planning to Teach Social Studies	
Thu Jan 17	Planning to Teach Social Studies	
Tue Jan 22	Teaching Concepts in Social Studies	
Thu Jan 24	Teaching Concepts in Social Studies	
Tue Jan 29	Teaching Facts in Social Studies	
Thu Jan 31	Teaching Generalizations in Social Studies	
Tue Feb 5	Teaching Generalizations in Social Studies	
Thu Feb 7	Fact Lesson Presentations	
Tue Feb 12	Field Experience Seminars	
Thu Feb 14	Field Experience Seminars	
Thu Feb 21	Exam # 1	
Thu Feb 28	Teaching Thinking Skills in Social Studies	Contextual Factors Paper Due
Thu Mar 6	Teaching Data Gathering Skills	
Tue Mar 18	Teaching Data Gathering Skills	Concept Lesson Due
Thu Mar 20	Writing in Social Studies	
Tue Apr 22	Teaching Values in Social Studies	Generalization Lesson Due
Tue Apr 29	Teaching Values in Social Studies	Two Week Grid Due
Thu May 1	Using Children's Literature in Social Studies	
Tue May 6	Exam # 2	
Thu May 8	PPR Portfolio Share	

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EED 436 ACTIVITIES (Rubrics attached)

CONCEPT BOOK

The purpose is to help candidates demonstrate understanding that teaching concepts is more than having students memorizing vocabulary words. A concept book is constructivist in nature. Teachers will never be able to have one for each concept that they teach, but teachers can make 4-5 a semester and add to it. Many elementary teachers use them in centers. Concept books may be used whole group, small groups, in pairs, or individually (in centers, for instance).

- 1. Pick a concept appropriate for the grade you are teaching (it must be TEKS related and the TEKS written out).
- 2. Pick an approach to use inductive, deductive, combination.
- 3. Using power point, match the examples and nonexamples with pictures, clip art, or other visuals. See examples in the packet.
- 4. You will turn in the power point as a hard copy showing the slides
- 5. The power points may be one to a page, three to a page, four to a page, etc., and should be in color (if at all possible)
- 6. There should be at least 6 pairs of examples and nonexamples in a combination approach, it may go four examples and nons, definition, and then two or more examples or nons.
- 7. In addition, you will be expected to use this with their students and reflect on it.
- 8. There are examples in the packet for you to follow.
- 9. A lesson plan guiding this lesson using the methods lesson plan format will be turned in.

FACT LESSON (TOUR OF COUNTRIES)

The purpose is to help candidates become familiar with developing games and activities to use in the teaching of facts.

- 1. In groups (determined totally at random), you will be telling the rest of the class about a country.
- 2. You will develop a tri-board with pictures and facts about the country.
- 3. You will develop an original game or activity based on the facts that they have listed on the tri-board.
- 4. You will develop an information brochure about the country.
- 5. TEKS will be listed and written out on the information brochure. Pick a grade level and choose appropriate TEKS for this tour and learning activity. (three to four TEKS will work)
- 6. "Tour groups" will come to see their display. In a limited amount of time (it will vary depending on how many groups there are) you must explain the tri-board and play the game/activity with each group.
- 7. Each person will have their passport "stamped" (however they choose to do it) and receive an information brochure.

GENERALIZATION LESSON

The purpose is to help candidates demonstrate understanding that teaching generalizations is more than having students memorizing sayings and expressions. The generalization lesson is constructivist in nature. This activity helps candidates to plan such a lesson and consider where it might go and how it might get there.

- 1. Pick a generalization appropriate for the grade you are teaching (it must be TEKS related, and may be connected to the concept lesson that they have taught and the TEKS written out).
- 2. Pick an approach to use inductive, deductive, combination.
- 3. Write a script for such a lesson, following examples given in the packet.
- 4. You will never actually use a script such as this in a classroom, but again, the purpose is to have you think through a lesson and be (somewhat) prepared as to what might arise.
- 5. In addition, you will be expected to use this with their students and reflect on it. (Not to follow the script but to teach the generalization)
- 6. There are examples in the packet for you to follow.
- 7. A lesson plan guiding this lesson using the methods lesson plan format will be turned in.

TWO WEEK GRID

The purpose is to have the candidates plan a 10 day unit and demonstrate that they understand the different components of social studies. In the unit you will have the opportunity to include all that we have discussed this semester in the preparation of the unit. This helps you to see the whole picture for a two week unit.

- 1. Pick a unit of study appropriate for the grade you are teaching (it must be TEKS related and the TEKS written out (three to four TEKS will work).
- 2. Plan and list each day of the unit in grid form.
- 3. It must not be a throwing together of activities, but there must be a progression and reasoning for including the different pieces of the unit.
- 4. Included will be concepts, facts, generalizations, thinking skills, data gathering skills, and values.
- 5. This is not a lesson plan, but rather a grid for what is to come. For example, you can list that you will teach the generalization "There are many types of authority figures" but do not have to say how you will teach it. It is more important that you demonstrate that you understand that this is a good place for that generalization.
- You may go nuts and not worry about resources or time this would be a "perfect world" environment.
- 7. There are examples in the packet for you to follow.

CONTEXTUAL FACTOR PAPER

The purpose is to have the candidates demonstrate how a multitude of factors influence the planning of instruction, implementation of planning, and the assessment of instruction. You will have the opportunity to consider your field experience placement and the factors that will influence your planning in the teaching of these particular children. Contextual Factors is a major component of the Teacher Work Sample, required of all SHSU candidates during the student teaching semester. This paper will prepare you for that portion of the TWS. In the paper, guided in part by the Academic Excellence Indicator System (AEIS), you will demonstrate:

- 1. Your knowledge of community, school, and classroom factors on learning.
- 2. Your knowledge of the characteristics of these children.
- 3. Your knowledge of the varied approaches to learning shown by these children.
- 4. Your knowledge of the children's skills and prior learning.
- 5. The implications that these have for instructional planning and assessment.

Rubric Concept Lesson: Concept Book

Rating	0-3	4-9	10	
Indicator	Indicator Not Met	Indicator Partially Met	Indicator Met	Score
Indication of	Only one of the three	The written TEKS contains	The entire TEKS (strand,	
corresponding TEKS	TEKS components is	only two of the three	knowledge and skills	
written out	written.	components.	statement, and student	
			expectation) is clearly	
			written.	
Indication of	Only one or neither of	Both approach and concept	Both approach (inductive,	
approach being used	the approach or concept	are identified, but not in a	deductive, or combination)	
and concept being	are identified, or	clear or specific way.	and concept are clearly	
taught	identified in an unclear		written.	
	or specific way.			
Approach used	Approach used does not	Approach used may match the	Approach used clearly	
matches with	match the approach	approach indicated but not in	matches the approach	
approach indicated	indicated.	a clear or intentional way.	indicated.	
Enough matched	Few or no picture pairs	Most picture pairs are clearly	All picture pairs are clearly	
picture pairs to teach	are matched, and/or not	matched, but may not be	matched, and enough picture	
the concept	enough picture pairs to	enough to effectively teach	pairs to effectively teach the	
	effectively teach concept.	concept.	concept.	
Rating	0-14	15-29	30-35	
Indicator	Indicator Not Met	Indicator Partially Met	Indicator Met	Score
Reflection of using	Reflection does not	Reflection addresses what	Reflection clearly addresses	
Concept Book with	address what went right,	went right, what did not go as	what went right, what did not	
children	what did not go as	planned, surprises, and what	go as planned, surprises, and	
	planned, surprises, and	might be done differently in a	what might be done	
	what might be done	superficial or trite manner.	differently in a thoughtful	
	differently or only one,		manner.	
	two, or three of the four.			

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Fact Lesson: Tour of Countries

Rating	0-3	4-9	10	
Indicator	Indicator Not Met	Indicator Partially Met	Indicator Met	Score
Indication of corresponding TEKS written out	Only one of the three TEKS components is written.	The written TEKS contains only two of the three components.	The entire TEKS (strand, knowledge and skills statement, and student expectation) is clearly written.	
Poster containing sights and pictures of facts	Contains few or no sights and pictures of the country, and/or few facts may be communicated through them.	Poster contains sights and pictures of country, but facts are not clearly communicated through them.	Poster contains enough sights and pictures of the country and clearly communicates the facts which may be learned	
Learning activity based on poster effectively teaches/reviews facts contained on the poster	Activity contains few appropriate and challenging facts from the poster and is not appropriate for use with the intended grade level.	Activity contains only some appropriate and challenging facts from the poster or is not appropriate for use with the intended grade level.	Activity contains enough, appropriate and challenging facts from the poster and is appropriate for use with the intended grade level.	

Total -	/30	points
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Rubric Generalization Lesson: Generalization Script

Rating	0-3	4-9	10	
Indicator	Indicator Not Met	Indicator Partially Met	Indicator Met	Score
Indication of	Only one of the three	The written TEKS contains	The entire TEKS (strand,	Score
corresponding TEKS	TEKS components is	only two of the three	knowledge and skills	
written out	written.	components.	statement, and student	
written out	written.	components.	expectation) is clearly	
			written.	
Indication of	Only one or neither of	Both approach and	Both approach (inductive,	
approach being used	the approach or	generalization are identified,	deductive, or combination)	
and generalization	generalization are	but not in a clear or specific	and generalization are clearly	
_	identified, or identified in	way.	written.	
being taught	an unclear or specific	way.	written.	
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Approach used	way. Approach used does not	Approach used may match the	Approach used clearly	
matches with	match the approach	approach indicated but not in	matches the approach	
approach indicated	indicated.	a clear or intentional way.	indicated.	
Enough matched		Most examples are clearly		
	Few or no examples are	1	All examples are clearly	
picture pairs to teach	appropriate, and/or not	appropriate, but may not be	appropriate and enough to	
the concept	enough to effectively	enough to effectively teach	effectively teach the	
D (1	teach generalization.	generalization.	generalization.	
Rating	0-14	15-29	30-35	_
Indicator	Indicator Not Met	Indicator Partially Met	Indicator Met	Score
Reflection of using	Reflection does not	Reflection addresses what	Reflection clearly addresses	
generalization script	address what went right,	went right, what did not go as	what went right, what did not	
with children	what did not go as	planned, surprises, and what	go as planned, surprises, and	
	planned, surprises, and	might be done differently in a	what might be done	
	what might be done	superficial or trite manner.	differently in a thoughtful	
	differently or only one,		manner.	
	two, or three of the four.			

Total -	,	/75	points

Rubric Two-Week Grid of Thematic Unit focused on a Social Studies Topic

Rating	0-3	4-9	10	
Indicator	Indicator Not Met	Indicator Partially Met	Indicator Met	Score
Indication of	Only one of the three	The written TEKS contains	The entire TEKS (strand,	
corresponding TEKS	TEKS components is	only two of the three	knowledge and skills	
written out	written.	components.	statement, and student	
			expectation) is clearly	
			written.	
Rating	0	1-2	3	
Indicator	Indicator Not Met	Indicator Partially Met	Indicator Met	Score
Utilization of	No concepts included in	Not enough or inappropriate	Enough and appropriate	
appropriate concepts	this unit.	concepts to effectively teach	concepts to effectively teach	
for this unit		unit with intended grade level.	unit with intended grade	
	-		level.	
Utilization of	No facts included in this	Not enough or inappropriate	Enough and appropriate facts	
appropriate facts for	unit.	facts to effectively teach unit	to effectively teach unit with	
this unit	NT 1'	with intended grade level.	intended grade level.	
Utilization of	No generalizations included in this unit.	Not enough or inappropriate	Enough and appropriate	
appropriate	included in this unit.	generalizations to effectively	generalizations to effectively teach unit with intended	
generalizations for this unit		teach unit with intended grade level.	grade level.	
Utilization of	No thinking skills	Not enough or inappropriate	Enough and appropriate	
appropriate thinking	included in this unit.	thinking skills to effectively	thinking skills to effectively	
skills for this unit	meraded in this diff.	teach unit with intended grade	teach unit with intended	
		level.	grade level.	
Utilization of	No data skills included in	Not enough or inappropriate	Enough and appropriate data	
appropriate data	this unit.	data skills to effectively teach	skills to effectively teach	
gathering and		unit with intended grade level.	unit with intended grade	
interpretive skills for			level.	
this unit				
Utilization of	No values included in	Not enough or inappropriate	Enough and appropriate	
appropriate values	this unit.	values to effectively teach unit	values to effectively teach	
for this unit		with intended grade level.	unit with intended grade	
		_	level.	
Rating	0	1	2	
Indicator	Indicator Not Met	Indicator Partially Met	Indicator Met	Score
Progression and	There is little or no	There is purpose and logical	There is a purpose and	
reason for including	purpose to the	order to much of the unit.	logical order to each	
each component of	components of this unit.		component of the unit.	
unit				

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A one paragraph description as to which PPR Competency this assignment meets (and how it is met) must accompany this assignment to receive credit.

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Rubric - Contextual Factors

TWS Standard: The teacher uses information about the learning/teaching context and student individual differences to set learning goals, plan instruction, and assess learning.

Rating	0-5	6-11	12-16	
Indicator	Indicator Not Met	Indicator Partially Met	Indicator Met	Score
Knowledge of Community, School and Classroom Factors	Teacher displays minimal, irrelevant, or biased knowledge of the characteristics of the community, school, and classroom.	Teacher displays some knowledge of the characteristics of the community, school, and classroom that may affect learning.	Teacher displays a comprehensive understanding of the characteristics of the community, school, and classroom that may affect learning.	Score
Knowledge of Characteristics of Student	Teacher displays minimal, stereotypical, or irrelevant knowledge of student differences (e.g., development, interests, culture, abilities, disabilities)	Teacher displays general knowledge of student differences (e.g., development, interests, culture, abilities, disabilities) that may affect learning.	Teacher displays general & specific understanding of student differences (e.g., development, interests, culture, abilities, disabilities) that may affect learning.	
Knowledge of Students' Varied Approaches to Learning	Teacher displays minimal, stereotypical, or irrelevant knowledge about the different ways students learn (e.g., learning styles, learning modalities).	Teacher displays general knowledge about the different ways students learn (e.g., learning styles, learning modalities).	Teacher displays general & specific understanding of the different ways students learn (e.g., learning styles, learning modalities) that may affect learning.	
Knowledge of Students; Skills and Prior Learning	Teacher displays little or irrelevant knowledge of students' skills and prior learning.	Teacher displays general knowledge of students' skills and prior learning that may affect learning.	Teacher displays general & specific understanding of students' skills and prior learning that may affect learning	
Implications for Instructional Planning and Assessment	Teacher does not provide implications for instruction and assessment based on student individual differences and community, school, and classroom characteristics OR provides inappropriate implications.	Teacher provides general implications for instruction and assessment based on student individual differences and community, school, and classroom characteristics.	Teacher provides specific implications for instruction and assessment based on student individual differences and community, school, and classroom characteristics.	

Total -	/80	points