### <u>Course Description</u> MEDD6128 Curriculum Conceptions and Design

#### Course description and objectives

This course aims to familiarise students with the field of curriculum studies and to identify some of its main theoretical perspectives and enduring issues. It introduces students to the main conceptions of curriculum and to the various ways these conceptions are categorised. It examines critically the basic tenets of these conceptions and explores their implications for curriculum design and analysis at systemic and school levels.

Course learning outcomes (CLOs)		Aligned programme learning outcomes (PLOs)
1.	Understand the different conceptions of curriculum, and the different ways of how they are categorized	PLOs 1, 2
2.	Evaluate critically the strengths and limitations of each conception of curriculum, and the conflicts among them	PLOs 1, 2
3.	Understand the implications of the conceptions of curriculum on curriculum design and analysis	PLOs 1, 2
4.	Apply the conceptions of curriculum and curriculum design methods to suit the needs of real contexts	PLOs 1, 2
5.	Apply the conceptions of curriculum and design to address novel situations which are undefined	PLOs 1, 2

#### **Course assessment methods**

- Short essay 1
- Short essay 2
- Oral Presentation
- Written Paper

### **Course content and topics**

- Introduction to curriculum studies theory and practice
- Interdisciplinary perspectives shaping curriculum decisions at different levels of the education system; global trends and influences
- Curriculum Conceptions/Ideologies implications for design
- Curriculum Design
- Assessment as an integral part of curriculum design
- Technologically-enhanced design; curriculum in the New Normal

### Required / recommended readings and online materials

Reading constitutes a very important part of the intellectual inquiry in the M.Ed. C&P specialism. All readings recommended in the list would be available at ReadingList@HKUL on Moodle of this course, and be updated/revised as necessary. All students are expected to read beyond the recommended reading list according to their academic and professional background, work experiences, interest and aspirations as well.

**1.General references** (\*Basic and cross C&P modules; \*\*tool books, \*\*\* technology-related, # general books on curriculum –used in undergraduate studies).

(\* Useful references that cover different C&P modules. Some are useful for filling in the knowledge gap of classmates who may not have qualifications in teacher training They also help refresh the knowledge of for those who are trained. \*\*Tool books are albums where you may find chapters or articles with topics of interest or your specialisation. References with \*\*\* are oriented towards harnessing technology in design and include different topics of interest or specialisation.)

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#Moore, A. (2014) Understanding the School Curriculum: Theory, Politics and Principles. Routledge: London and New York.

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\*\*Jackson, W. P. Ed. (2010) Handbook of Research in Curriculum. AERA: New York.

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\*\*\*Rogers, P. L., Berg, G. A., Boettcher, J. V., Howard, C., Justice, L., & Schenk, K. D. (Eds.). (2009). Encyclopedia of Distance Learning, Second Edition. IGI Global. http://doi:10.4018/978-1-60566-198-8

\*\*\*Wang, V. X. (Ed.). (2016). Handbook of Research on Learning Outcomes and Opportunities in the Digital Age. IGI Global. http://doi:10.4018/978-1-4666-9577-1

\*\*\* Wang, V. X. (Ed.). (2018). Handbook of Research on Program Development and Assessment Methodologies in K-20 Education. IGI Global. http://doi:10.4018/978-1-5225-3132-6

# Journals

- 1. \*Curriculum Journal, BERA
- 2. Curriculum Perspectives
- 3. Educational Leadership, ASCD
- 4. Education Researcher, AERA
- 5. \* Journal of Curriculum Studies
- 6. Assessment in Education Principles, Policy & Practice. Abingdon, Oxfordshire: Carfax International Publishers. Print.
- 7. East China Normal University: Review of Education.

## **International Websites/Reports**

- 1. International Bureau of Education, UNESCO http://www.ibe.unesco.org/
- 2. OECD and Education http://www.oecd.org/education/
- 3. World Bank, Education Group https://www.worldbank.org/en/topic/education
- 4. UNESCO https://www.unesco.org/en/education

### **Official documents/reports (for example)**

Education Bureau website - latest information and initiatives Home - Education Bureau (edb.gov.hk)

- Curriculum Development Council https://www.edb.gov.hk/en/curriculum-development/renewal/index.html
- Ministry of Education, Mainland Curriculum Documents http://www.gov.cn/zhengce/zhengceku/2022-04/21/content\_5686535.htm

## Other additional course information

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