PTYS 493  
Advanced Teaching Teams Professional Development Internship

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Course Description

PTYS 493 is an advanced professional development internship for students who completed PTYS 393 (formerly LASC 393). Course covers elements of learning environments, communication skills, giving feedback, performance evaluation, and cooperative learning strategies, as well as requires students to lead or co-lead a section of PTYS 297A inside the Teaching Teams Program alongside a faculty/staff mentor.

Course Objectives

This capstone internship provides students with opportunities to actualize content and training developed during the prerequisite courses by putting teaching and learning theory into practice. Students will be involved in all professional development aspects of the 297A workshop including implementation, evaluation, and revision both in and out of the classroom for the duration of the semester.

Expected Learning Outcomes

By the end of this internship, students will be able to:

1. Plan, implement, and reflect on weekly activities that incorporate principles of professional communication, leadership and group dynamics, resume/CV building, and interview skills designed for a diverse group of undergraduate students.
2. Assess, measure, and grade student performance by providing insightful, thoughtful feedback that supports student improvement and encourages lifelong development.
3. Analyze workshop content in order to formulate appropriate curricula that caters to the skills, experiences, and knowledge, inherent to professionalism.
4. Assist those students in 297A who are preceptors in courses across campus.
Workshop Development Component (1 credit):

Training: Interns will attend a training as assigned by TTP instructors. Interns will be trained in professionalism, virtual conduct, and the sign-up process for potential preceptors.

Curriculum Development: Interns will assist in the continuing reviewal of PTYS 297A curriculum and provide input on facilitation improvement.

Workshop Facilitation Component (2 credits):

Workshop: Interns will play the part of a leader or co-leader of one section of PTYS 297A. Duties will vary by section and supervising instructor/faculty. Additionally, interns will help to identify potential students for the internship position for the subsequent semester.

Curriculum Meeting: Interns will also be attending a weekly curriculum meeting. At these meetings, the interns will share their formative evaluations of the program. They will be evaluating the course structure, the strengths and weaknesses of the current workshop and its instructor(s), and will develop ideas on how to improve the curriculum. These evaluations will be incorporated into a formal proposal by Interns at the end of the semester.

Grading:

PTYS 493 is a pass/fail internship. Students in this internship may receive an S-Superior, a P-Passing, or an F-Fail. These credits do not affect your GPA but do add to your unit total. If you would like further information on UA Grading Policy please see the UA catalog at: https://catalog.arizona.edu/policy/grades-and-grading-system

Attendance and Participation/Course Requirements

PTYS 493 weekly in-person team meetings, however…

- If you feel sick, or may have been in contact with someone who is infectious, stay home. Except for seeking medical care, avoid contact with others and do not travel.
- Notify your instructor(s) if you will be missing a meeting or an assignment deadline.
- Non-attendance for any reason does not guarantee an automatic extension of due date or rescheduling of examinations/assessments.
  - Please communicate and coordinate any request directly with your instructor.
- If you must miss the equivalent of more than one week of the internship, you should contact the Dean of Students Office DOS-deanofstudents@email.arizona.edu to share documentation about the challenges you are facing.
- Voluntary, free, and convenient COVID-19 testing is available for students on Main Campus.
- COVID-19 vaccine is available for all students at Campus Health.
- Visit the UArizona COVID-19 page for regular updates.
Academic Integrity
The guiding principle of academic integrity is that a student’s submitted work must be their own. This includes avoiding plagiarism, or misrepresenting the words or ideas of another as one’s own. To avoid plagiarism, you must credit the source whenever you use the words or ideas of another. Academic dishonesty will not be tolerated under any circumstances. Students who plagiarize will receive a failing grade for the course and be referred to the Dean’s Office. For more information, see the complete Student Code of Academic Integrity http://deanofstudents.arizona.edu/codeofacademicintegrity

Students with Disabilities
If you anticipate barriers related to the format or requirements of this course, please meet with your instructor to discuss ways to ensure your full participation in this course. If you determine that disability related accommodations are necessary, please register with Disability Resources (520-621-32678; drc.arizona.edu) and notify your instructor of your eligibility for reasonable accommodations. We can then plan how best to coordinate your accommodations.

Classroom Behavior Policy
To foster a positive learning environment, students and instructors have a shared responsibility. We want a safe, welcoming, and inclusive environment where all of us feel comfortable with each other and where we can challenge ourselves to succeed. To that end, our focus is on the tasks at hand and not on extraneous activities (e.g., texting, chatting, online shopping, etc.). This course also supports elective gender pronoun use and self-identification; rosters indicating such choices will be updated throughout the semester, upon student request. As the course includes some group work and discussion, it is vitally important for us to create an educational environment of inclusion and mutual respect.

Threatening Behavior
UA policy prohibits threats of physical harm to any member of the University community. Details on the policy are available at: policy.arizona.edu/education-and-student-affairs/threatening-behavior-students.

Nondiscrimination and Anti-harassment
The University is committed to creating and maintaining an environment free of discrimination. Our classroom is a place where everyone is encouraged to express well-formed opinions and their reasons for those opinions. We also want to create a tolerant and open environment where such opinions can be expressed without resorting to bullying or discrimination of others. Details on the official UA policy are available at: policy.arizona.edu/human-resources/nondiscrimination-and-anti-harassment-policy

Additional Resources for Students
UA Academic policies and procedures are available at catalog.arizona.edu/policies. Student Assistance and Advocacy information is available at: deanofstudents.arizona.edu/student-assistance/students/student-assistance

Confidentiality of Student Records
All student records, not just grades but also any identifiable material submitted for credit are handled according to FERPA guidelines, see www.registrar.arizona.edu/ferpa/default.htm

Subject to Change Statement
Information contained in this course syllabus, other than the grade and absence policy, may be subject to change with advance notice, as deemed appropriate by the instructor.
Academic advising: If you have questions about your academic progress this semester, please reach out to your academic advisor (https://advising.arizona.edu/advisors/major). Contact the Advising Resource Center (https://advising.arizona.edu/) for all general advising questions and referral assistance. Call 520-626-8667 or email to advising@arizona.edu.

Life challenges: If you are experiencing unexpected barriers to your success in your courses, please note the Dean of Students Office is a central support resource for all students and may be helpful. The Dean of Students Office can be reached at (520) 621-2057 or DOS-deanofstudents@email.arizona.edu.

Physical and mental-health challenges: If you are facing physical or mental health challenges this semester, please note that Campus Health provides quality medical and mental health care. For medical appointments, call (520) 621-9202. For After Hours care, call (520) 570-7898. For the Counseling & Psych Services (CAPS) 24/7 hotline, call (520) 621-3334.

Exams and Assessments: There are no exams for this course.

Equipment and software requirements: For this class you will need daily access to the following hardware: laptop or web-enabled device with webcam and microphone; regular access to reliable internet signal; ability to download and run the following software: web browser, etc.

Staying current: You are required attend weekly meetings, as well as assignments delineated at weekly meetings before the next meeting to accomplish the following: plan, implement, and reflect on weekly activities that incorporate principles of professional communication, leadership and group dynamics, resume/CV building, and interview skills designed for a diverse group of undergraduate students; assess, measure, and grade student performance by providing insightful, thoughtful feedback that supports student improvement and encourages lifelong development; Analyze workshop content in order to formulate appropriate curricula that caters to the skills, experiences, and knowledge, inherent to professionalism; Assist those students in 297A who are preceptors in courses across campus.