Utah Effective Practices Conference in Special Education and Rehabilitation
USU SPED 5560/6560

Credit Hours: 1-2
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OVERVIEW
The Utah Effective Practices Conference presents a unique opportunity for professionals working with individuals with disabilities to learn from nationally recognized experts as well as local educators, parents and rehabilitation professionals. Conference participants will be provided “state of the art” strategies they may implement in their work with individuals with disabilities.

CREDIT
Advanced undergraduate (USU SPED 5560) or graduate credit (USU SPED 6560) may be earned by completing the following assignments.

1 Credit: Write a “Reaction Paper” to the Keynote Addresses and Breakout Sessions. For each session the paper should include a content summary, the value of the strategies and ideas, and problems or concerns you might have with the strategies and ideas.

Letter Grades for “Reaction Papers” will be based on the following:

A – Summarize and react to at least 12 Keynotes or Breakout sessions. You must summarize at least 3 sessions per day. (You may use the Poster Session as one (and only one) of your sessions by summarizing 3 posters).
B – Summarize and react to at least 8 Keynotes or Breakout sessions. You must summarize at least 2 sessions per day. (You may use the Poster Session as one (and only one) of your sessions by summarizing 3 posters).
C - Summarize and react to at least 6 Keynotes or Breakout sessions. (You may use the Poster Session as one (and only one) of your sessions by summarizing 3 posters).
F – Less than 6 sessions.

Students must write summaries for the correct number of sessions per day to earn the corresponding grade. If you summarize less than the minimum number per day or overall, then you will receive the lower grade (e.g., 2 summaries one day with 12 total will result in a “B”)

Reaction Papers should be typed and written in full sentences using the following format (please do not hand in outlines):
   Name
A-number
E-mail address
Telephone number

For each summary:

Day:
Time:
Speaker:
Title of presentation:

Use the following headings for each summary included in your Reaction Paper:
   1. Main ideas in the Presentation
   2. Ideas I can use
   3. Problems or concerns with the Strategy or Procedure
   (Note pages are attached for your use during the sessions)

2 Credits:
   1. Write the “Reaction papers” required of 1 credit participants.
   2. Write a 4 – 5 page paper that describes in detail how you will implement in your classroom or professional work at least one strategy you learned about at the conference. Be sure to reference the specific session or sessions in your paper. This paper is in addition to your reaction papers.
   3. Papers must be typed and written in paragraph form (please do not submit outlines).

All papers must be delivered or postmarked by July 21, 2011 to:

   Dr. Benjamin Lignugaris/Kraft
   Attention: Sharon Melton
   Department of Special Education and Rehabilitation
   Utah State University
   2865 Old Main Hill
   Logan, Utah 84332-2865

OR

You may e-mail papers to sharon.melton@usu.edu.
   a. Please use Effective Practices in the subject line of your e-mail.
   b. Please name the file you attach to your e-mail as follows: last name_first initial_EPC.doc (e.g., lund_J_EPC.doc)

NOTE: YOU are responsible for checking to make sure your grade is recorded correctly. Contact the instructor if you have any questions about your grade. There will be NO grade changes after October 1, 2011.
Note Pages for Reaction Papers

Session 1:

Name

Day Time:

Speaker:

Title of Presentation:

1. Main Ideas of Presentation

2. Ideas I can use

3. Problems and concerns:
Session 2:

Name

Day Time:

Speaker:

Title of Presentation:

1. Main Ideas of Presentation

2. Ideas I can use

3. Problems and concerns:
Session 3:

Name__________________________________________________________

Day__________________________Time:______________________________

Speaker:_______________________________________________________

Title of Presentation:___________________________________________

1. Main Ideas of Presentation

2. Ideas I can use

3. Problems and concerns:
Session 4:

Name

Day Time:

Speaker:

Title of Presentation:

1. Main Ideas of Presentation

2. Ideas I can use

3. Problems and concerns:
Session 5:

Name______________________________________________

Day_________________________Time:_____________________

Speaker:_____________________________________________

Title of Presentation:_________________________________

1. Main Ideas of Presentation

2. Ideas I can use

3. Problems and concerns:
Session 6:

Name__________________________________________________________

Day__________________________________Time:______________________

Speaker:________________________________________________________

Title of Presentation:____________________________________________

1. Main Ideas of Presentation

2. Ideas I can use

3. Problems and concerns:
Session 7:

Name

Day___________________Time:__________________________

Speaker:______________________________________________

Title of Presentation:____________________________________

1. Main Ideas of Presentation

2. Ideas I can use

3. Problems and concerns:
Session 8:

Name_____________________________________________________

Day_____________________________________ Time:______________________

Speaker:_____________________________________________________

Title of Presentation:___________________________________________

1. Main Ideas of Presentation

2. Ideas I can use

3. Problems and concerns:
Session 9:

Name

Day Time: Speaker: Title of Presentation:

1. Main Ideas of Presentation

2. Ideas I can use

3. Problems and concerns:
Session 10:

Name__________________________________________________________

Day______________________Time:______________________________

Speaker:_____________________________________________________

Title of Presentation:___________________________________________

1. Main Ideas of Presentation

2. Ideas I can use

3. Problems and concerns:
Session 11:

Name________________________________________________________

Day____________________________________Time:____________________

Speaker:________________________________________________________

Title of Presentation:_____________________________________________

1. Main Ideas of Presentation

2. Ideas I can use

3. Problems and concerns:
Session 12:

Name ________________________________________________

Day ___________________ Time: ___________________________

Speaker: _______________________________________________

Title of Presentation: ___________________________________

1. Main Ideas of Presentation

2. Ideas I can use

3. Problems and concerns: