

METHODS OF TEACHING ENGLISH

Fall 2007

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Tuesday 6:10-8:00 p.m. at T604 (2 credit hours)

Office hour: by appointment at FL203

Course Objectives

- Introduce to students the basic learning theories, contexts of teaching, lesson planning and implementation, as well as teaching of the four language skills.
- Familiarize students with language teaching approaches and principles via in-class demonstrations, and student-led discussions.
- Students will be actively engaged in discussions, drawing their personal experiences as a language learner and/or a language teacher to make sense of the theory.
- Students will be able to apply knowledge in serial lesson planning for their current or future students.

Textbook

Brown, H. D. (2001). *Teaching by principles: An interactive approach to language pedagogy*. (2nd ed). White Plains, N.Y.: Longman. (Available at 驚聲 Bookstore)

Syllabus

<u>Date</u>	<u>Discussion Topics</u>	<u>Assignment due</u>
09/18	<i>Typhoon Day (No Class!)</i>	
09/25	<i>Mid-autumn Festival (No Class!)</i>	
10/02	Class Orientation: Overview of the class Ch. 4: Teaching by principles	
10/09	Ch. 4 (cont.)	
10/16	Ch. 6: Learner variables I: Teaching across age levels	
10/23	Ch. 7: Learner variables II: Teaching across proficiency levels	

10/30	Ch. 8: Sociopolitical and institutional contexts	
11/06	Ch. 10: How to plan a lesson	
11/13	<i>Mid-term week (No Class!)</i>	Three-day lesson plans
11/20	Ch. 9: Techniques, textbooks, and technology	
11/27	Ch. 11: Interactive language teaching I: Initiating interaction	
	Ch. 12: Interactive language teaching II: Sustaining interaction through group work	
12/04	Ch. 13: Classroom management	
	Ch. 15: Integrating the “four skills”	
12/11	Ch. 14: Strategies-based instruction	
12/18	Ch. 14 (cont.)	
12/25	Ch. 16: Teaching listening	
01/01	<i>New Year (No Class!)</i>	
01/08	Ch. 18: Teaching speaking	
01/15	<i>Final exam (time & place TBA)</i>	

Have a great winter break!!!

**syllabus subject to change*

Evaluation

- Attendance/Participation: 30%
- Discussion leader: 20%
- Three-day lesson plans: 30%
- Final exam: 20%

Note: i. This class will be conducted in English.

ii. Late, makeup, or plagiarized lesson plans will **NOT** be accepted.