George Mason University College of Education and Human Development PROGRAM: ASTL - Advanced Studies in Teaching and Learning Fairfax 2010 –2011 Core Cohorts

EDUC 606 EDUCATION AND CULTURE Spring 2011

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I. COURSE DESCRIPTION

This course uses the Cultural Inquiry Process (CIP) and resources from the CIP Web site to help educational practitioners acquire cultural, social, and language-related perspectives on educational processes, learn skills for analyzing educational settings, and expand strategies to improve educational practice. Participants will use the CIP to address puzzlements from their own practice. <u>Prerequisites</u>: Admission to the College of Education and Human Development and the ASTL Program, or with permission of the ASTL Directors.

II. COURSE GOALS AND PROCESS

A primary goal of this course is for participants to learn the knowledge and skills needed to develop an appreciation for cultural perspectives that influence the learning of all students. The course will increase participants' understanding of cultural perspectives and educational processes for all students. The Cultural Inquiry Process (CIP) and the CIP Web site provide a framework for achieving these goals.

STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES - By the completion of EDUC 606, participants will be able to:

A. Understand the application of approaches to inquiry and inquiry into practice in the

systematic monitoring of student learning;

- B. Articulate perspectives (assumptions, theories, principles, and findings) and methods useful for understanding cultural influences and diversity in the educational setting;
- C. Apply cultural perspectives and culturally responsive methods in educational settings;
- D. Use cultural perspectives and research literature to help construct and evaluate appropriate interventions for classroom use;
- E. Explain the critical importance of considering multiple perspectives; and
- F. Explore and respect differences in teaching and learning as they relate to cultural diversity and social justice in the field of action research.

The *performance-based assessment and major course product for EDUC 606* is a culture based action research project. To help you complete this action research project, the course is organized as a *scaffolded inquiry process*, as follows: (1) The Cultural Inquiry Process (CIP) Web site will provide you with a scaffold throughout the course by providing a process and supporting information (e.g., cultural questions and related text in Step 3, Success Stories, and CIP studies). (2) Your analyses of various studies and readings will provide a scaffold for learning to use the CIP Web site and for developing cultural perspectives on educational practice. (3) Building on the ASTL Core experiences you have already completed, being part of a dynamic learning community, and having supported experiential learning in a full research project is also a feature of this course. As such, you will be asked to participate in different small groups based either on your professional interests or on a particular cultural question. (4) As part of this group work in analyzing cases, you will begin to use the CIP to address puzzlements you have identified in your own practice.

Mini-lectures, videos, interactive discussion of readings and hands-on learning experiences throughout the course will complement your experiences and expose you to the major cultural perspectives explored in the CIP. Discussions may take place in class, via email, or our electronic Blackboard. The instructors will be available for in-person or phone consultations to complement the support from your Critical Friends Groups.

The **performance-based assessment (PBA) MUST** be uploaded and submitted to Taskstream for evaluation when the assignment is due. **Only PBAs** posted to Taskstream will be graded. **NO** final grades will be posted until all materials are on Taskstream.

III. RELATIONSHIP OF EDUC 606 TO ASTL CORE, NBPTS PROPOSITIONS, and the CEHD CORE VALUES

EDUC 606 is one of the five courses that comprise the ASTL Education Core. Within the ASTL Core, EDUC 606 is carefully aligned with the learning experiences along the Core continuum EDUC 612, EDUC 613, EDUC 614, and EDUC 615. EDUC 612 (Inquiry into Practice) helped participants develop critical reflective skills and research knowledge for conducting inquiry related to practice; in EDUC 613 (How Students Learn), Core participants were introduced to various factors that influence the individual learner and conducted a case study research of a learner. In EDUC 614, participants looked at new ways to design and assess teaching and learning in their classrooms. In EDUC 606, our focus will turn to looking at students and educational settings from cultural perspectives. The class will introduce you to cultural

perspectives and the CIP, a process that guides practitioners through cultural inquiries. You will use this process and the inquiry skills developed in EDUC 612 to conduct an action research project that focuses on cultural influences to deepen your knowledge about student learning. The focus of your project may range from the individual student to an entire classroom.

EDUC 606 is aligned with the NBPTS propositions, specifically with

- Proposition I: Teachers are committed to students and their learning;
- Proposition IV: Teachers think systematically about their practice and learn from experience; and
- Proposition V: Teachers are members of learning communities.

EDUC 606 is aligned with the additional three propositions that guide the ASTL Core:

- Teachers account for the needs of culturally, linguistically, and cognitively diverse learners;
- Teachers are change agents, teacher leaders, and partners with colleagues; and
- Teachers use technology to facilitate student learning and their own professional development.

EDUC 606 embodies the five Core Values of the College of Education & Human Development

- Collaboration
- Ethical Leadership
- Innovation
- Research-based Practice
- Social Justice

IV. RESOURCES

The <u>Cultural Inquiry Process Web site http://classweb.gmu.edu/classweb/cip/index.htm</u> is a core resource for this course.

Some readings are required for <u>all</u> students, and some will be optional. In addition to the required book (a culturally based action research project conducted with young English language learners) that is available from the GMU bookstore, there is a set of readings and resources that may be accessed on line via our GMU Fenwick Library E-Reserves. In addition, you will also be asked to find and read different original sources related to the particular cultural questions that you explore for practice cases and your own major project.

Required Book

Ballenger, C. (1999). Teaching other people's children. New York: Teachers College Press.

Supplemental Resource (from EDUC 612)

Falk, B. & Blumenreich, M. (2005). *The Power of Questions: A guide to teacher and student research*. Portsmouth, NH: Heinemann.

Required and Optional Readings (E-Reserves)

For your major project, you will use resources that relate to your "puzzlement" (your culturally related action research study). To assist you in locating information concerning your topic, we have posted a few articles that you can access in the Electronic Reserve located on-line through the GMU Fenwick Library. Some are class readings while others are provided as resources for your research and individual areas of inquiry. Additional support articles not included in this list may also be posted for your use and reference prior to and during the class. *When retrieving articles from the electronic reserves, FOR BOTH SECTIONS choose EDUC 606 and Hardy, Shanon* as the instructor. *Password: Classroom*

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- Purcell-Gates, V. (2002). "...As soon as she opened her mouth!": Issues of languages, literacy, and power. In L. Delpit & J. K. Dowdy (Eds.), *The skin that we speak* (pp. 121-141). New York: The New Press.
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- Short, D., & Echevarria, J. (2005). Teacher skills to support English language learners. *Educational Leadership*, 62(4), 9-13.
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- Zwiers, J. (2005). The third language of academic English. *Educational Leadership*, 62(4), 60-63.

V. GEORGE MASON UNIVERSITY - COLLEGE OF EDUCATION AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

Student Expectations

- Students must adhere to the guidelines of the George Mason University Honor Code [See http://academicintegrity.gmu.edu/honorcode/].
- Students with disabilities who seek accommodations in a course must be registered with the George Mason University Office of Disability Services (ODS) and inform their instructor, in writing, at the beginning of the semester [See http://ods.gmu.edu/].
- Students must follow the university policy for Responsible Use of Computing [See http://universitypolicy.gmu.edu/1301gen.html].
- Students are responsible for the content of university communications sent to their George Mason University email account and are required to activate their account and check it regularly. All communication from the university, college, school, and program will be sent to students solely through their Mason email account.

- Students must follow the university policy stating that all sound emitting devices shall be turned off during class unless otherwise authorized by the instructor.
- Students are expected to exhibit professional behaviors and dispositions at all times.

Campus Resources

- The George Mason University Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS) staff consists of professional counseling and clinical psychologists, social workers, and counselors who offer a wide range of services (e.g., individual and group counseling, workshops and outreach programs) to enhance students' personal experience and academic performance [See http://caps.gmu.edu/].
- The George Mason University Writing Center staff provides a variety of resources and services (e.g., tutoring, workshops, writing guides, handbooks) intended to support students as they work to construct and share knowledge through writing [See http://writingcenter.gmu.edu/].

For additional information on the College of Education and Human Development, Graduate School of Education, please visit our website [See <u>http://gse.gmu.edu/</u>].

VI. COURSE DELIVERY

The delivery of EDUC 606 is through experiential hands-on learning activities, in-class collaborative work groups, online learning modules, special videos, and mini-lectures to accomplish the course objectives.

VII. COURSE REQUIREMENTS, ASSIGNMENTS, AND EVALUATION CRITERIA

General Requirements

- 1. Class attendance is both important and required. *If, due to an emergency, you will not be in class or will be late, you should contact the instructor via phone or email prior to the class meeting. Students with more than two absences risk a drop in letter grade or may lose course credit.*
- 2. It is expected that assignments or action research section drafts will be turned in on time (the beginning of the class in which they are due or submitted electronically by the required date please note points for section drafts in the assignments section of this syllabus and on the rubric). Timely submission of drafts is imperative for receiving instructor feedback.
- 3. The completion of all readings assigned for the course is assumed. Because the class will be structured around discussion and small group activities, it is *critical* for you to keep up with the readings and to participate in class.
- 4. According to university policy, all beepers and cell phones should be turned off before

class begins. Thank you!

EVALUATION CRITERIA 1. Class Participation - 40%

<u>Class Discussions and Engagement</u>. You should come prepared to each class to actively participate in whole class and small group discussions. You will participate in various types of groups for class discussions that will be created based on your current teaching assignments. Later in the course, you will be part of a research group that will be comprised of a small group of teachers who are exploring related cultural questions in their major projects. In whole class and small group discussions (whether conducted face-to-face or electronically) each person is expected to listen carefully and actively, raise questions, and encourage one another to think more deeply and more broadly. Please remember that your responses to others and the expertise you lend to any discussion are as important as what you share about your own work.

Online work & Blackboard. We will use online communication and Blackboard software to communicate regularly in this class. You will be asked to post assignments, read others' postings, and actively participate in discussions. E-mail and Blackboard's Discussion Strand will also be an important vehicle for discussing ongoing work on your major project with group members. The online *CIP Web Hunt* and other online work as assigned will be part of your class participation.

Criteria for Evaluation: Evidence of careful reading of relevant material, analytical consideration and application of the material, thoughtfulness of questions raised, detailed sharing of your own work, relevance of remarks to subjects under discussion, demonstration of understanding of cultural influences, and constructive participation in your Critical Friends Groups.

<u>Okun Cultural Assumptions</u> - The Okun Cultural Autobiography is an exercise to help you become aware of the diverse cultural groups that comprise your background and influence your identity. This is a reflection piece and the thinking points and questions will be handed out in class. This assignment will serve as one of many reflections to support your *Cultural Action Research Study* (our 606 signature course product).

End of EDUC 606 Portfolio Reflection Point

As a part of the ASTL Core, participants will be building their Professional Portfolio and will add Reflection Point #3 (see below) at the conclusion of EDUC 606. For additional detailed information about this Reflection Point, as well as the remainder of the Portfolio, please refer to the Portfolio Guidelines posted on our Bb My Mason site.

Reflection Point following EDUC 606:

Section D: Teacher as Researcher with a Cultural Perspective

This section will be completed at the conclusion of EDUC 606.

Reflection Point:

In this section, you will focus on how coursework, related readings, and products in EDUC 606 have led you to focus more deeply on teachers as researchers with a cultural perspective. Please

reflect on your own learning and your growth and change at this point in the Core. In your reflection, please address any of the applicable eight program learning outcomes and the ways in which the performance assessments included in this section provide evidence of this knowledge.

Suggested course products to be used as evidence of knowledge:

- 1. Teacher/Action Research Project and Paper (EDUC 606)
- 2. Selections from the Reflective Journal
- **3.** Other, as selected by individual (be specific)

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	Assignment	Participation Points	
	Okun Cultural Assumptions	10	
	Blackboard & Web Hunt – see class schedule	10	
	Reflection Point for Portfolio	5	
	In-class Participation	15	

Summary Overview of Class Participation Components:

2. Cultural Research Study - 60% -- <u>The EDUC 606 Performance-Based Assessment</u> (Oral Presentation and One Page Summary on March 22nd; Final written study submission via email on March 22nd)

The purpose of this culturally based action research study is to provide you the opportunity for a hands-on learning experience using cultural perspectives and methods to understand more about persons, students, yourself, or situations in educational settings. It is designed to hone your inquiry and research skills and to help you develop classroom based expertise in designing and monitoring appropriate educational intervention(s) to promote culturally responsive pedagogy.

To facilitate your action research process, ongoing work on the major research study will be completed along the continuum of the semester, using the time line that is listed. You are asked to hand in (or email) the drafts of each section on the dates listed below, first to be read in class by your Critical Friends Group for peer feedback, and then emailed to the instructor. *(Please note that **16 of the total action research project points** are associated with the four draft sections due to Instructor.) When you hand in your drafts you will receive feedback to guide you in your ongoing thinking about your puzzlement and the writing of your final study. Please consult the rubric, as well as the additional details provided in the Syllabus.

Scaffolding of your CIP study proposed, as follows:

Setting and Puzzlement Draft - to Critical Friends Group in class (2/1) & Instructor by e-mail (2/8): Draft description of the setting and your "puzzlement" (Background information). Assumptions, researcher's role, rationale, importance or relevance to the larger body of knowledge, etc.

Framing the Issue and Literature Review Draft - to CFGs (2/15) & Instructor by email (2/22): Draft of discussion about how you are framing the issue and are connecting to the wider literature about your subject ("building on those who have come before us"). Data Collection Plan, Analysis of Data, Intervention Plan Draft - to CFGs (3/1) & Instructor by email (3/8):

- **Data Collection:** Information concerning how you are collecting data that will serve you in answering your question. A data table is helpful!
- Analysis of Data: Information concerning how you interpreted your data and determined what intervention to put in place
- Intervention/Action Plan: Your proposed action, intervention, or "solution."

Monitoring of Intervention/Action Plan with Conclusions/Implications – to Instructor by email (3/15)

Draft Due of Emergent Full CIP Action Research Study for Critical Friend Review and final suggestions (3/15)

Oral Presentations/Sharing with One-Page Executive Summary: March 22

In the past, teachers have often included their list of references on the back. We leave this as an option, but please bring enough copies to share with fellow cohort members and your instructors (18 copies) – We will compile them all into a CIP Booklet for you to retain.

Final CIP Project due March 22 – please email completed CIP to your instructor

Writing Your Culturally-R0elated Action Research Study following the Cultural Inquiry

Process (CIP) guidelines – special reminders and help for completing your study write-up. Your paper should follow APA format and include correctly formatted references.

To protect the anonymity of the people involved, use only pseudonyms for participants and proper names in your discussions and in the report.

Write your report with your educational colleagues as the audience. Your written report should incorporate the CIP questions.

Comprehensive evaluation criteria is provided in the rubric and will be discussed in class. We are here to support your work and help whenever we can. For your planning purposes, general criteria include the selection of appropriate topic, use of cultural perspectives, thorough data collection and analysis, connections to **at least 6 research references** (at least 3 of which come from sources outside course readings; others may come from course readings or the E-reserves), clear presentation of findings, thorough discussion, thoughtful reflections, clear organization and writing. This Culturally-related Action Research Study builds on the research and data collection plans you followed in completing your 613 Case Study of a Learner.

The final section is a **Reflection** to be included at the end of the action research study -you and your instructor are the primary audience. In this section,

- 1) Please relate your project to EDUC 606 course outcomes and discuss what you personally learned from the project.
- 2) What was your most significant learning with regard to the interrelationship between culture and education?
- 3) What is the potential impact of this study on your teaching, your learning, and on

the learning of the students in your classroom? Explain why.

Criteria for Evaluation: Refer to attached rubric.

Grading Scale:

А	94 - 100
A-	90 - 93
B+	85 - 89
В	80 - 84
С	70 - 79
F	Did not Meet Course Requirements

VIII. Tentative CLASS SCHEDULE AND COURSE ASSIGNMENTS

Note: Because we will try to respond to the particular needs of the class, there may be some changes in the syllabus. Any adjustments will be clearly indicated in writing or via email.

DATE	TOPIC	DUE for this class	
	Introduction to EDUC 606 – course		
	requirements and Overview of Semester		
Class One		Planning Ahead: Please complete	
		Ballenger book by Class Three	
December	CIP SITE:	(1/18)	
14	http://classweb.gmu.edu/cip		
	Introduce CIP Web Hunt – will be posted in		
	your Class 2 Online Folder		
Film Recom	mendations to view during the Winter Holiday	-Consider such titles as <i>The</i>	
Color of Fed	r, Freedom Writers, Finding Forester, Walking	Each Other Home, Stand and	
,	ale Rider, Real Women Have Curves, Music of t		
•	lge of America, or Rabbit Proof Fence (and othe		
	hink about them with the new perspectives and in		
	e. We'll plan to have a short discussion as films a		
-	are them with the larger group via the Culture Dis	-	
Students hav	e gained tremendous insight for their projects from		
	For assignment, please access the Class Two	Read on the CIP site: Jacob,	
Class Two	File located in the 606 Agendas folder located	Johnson, Finley, Gurski, &	
January	on Bb. Included are:	Lavine. (1996). One student at a	
11	*Web Hunt	time: The Cultural Inquiry	
• •		Process. – located on the CIP site	
Online		٢	
	*Begin to think about a culturally related	All online places bring your	
	puzzlement you have in your educational	All online – please bring your	
	setting and think of articles that may assist	completed Web Hunt with you to Class 3, January 18, 2011. This	
	you in your Literature Review	may be done collaboratively.	
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	Part One: Opening the door to cultural	Complete reading: Ballenger	
Class	"assumptions" & Reflecting on our own		
Three	cultural influences	Read:	
January	Discussion of Culture & Ballenger book	Reference to skim/refresh:	
18	č	Falk and Blumenreich Ch. 3	
	Activity: What is Culture? The importance of		
	culture in education. The role and importance of	Please bring your completed	
	culture in teacher research	Ballenger Guide with you to	
		Class you do not have to	
	Part Two: CIP Connections	-	
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	Intro to CIP Culturally-related Action Research Study and a look at the CIP site Examine specifically CIP Steps 1 & 2 Beginning to identify a "puzzlement" - Developing a focus of inquiry & "Casting the question(s)." * Locate and begin to read articles about your puzzlement to use in your Literature Review	formally answer the questions but should make notes – we will use this as a guide for in-class discussion DUE: Completed Web Hunt to share and check off.
Class Four	Part One: Learning to see one's own culture (as individuals and educators): Focus on cultural assumptions	Read: Group 1 Purcell- Gates article & Group 2 Kohl article (e-reserves)
January 25	<i>Opening Activity: "Five Tricks"</i> – an in-class experiential activity & debrief <i>Discussion:</i> Purcell-Gates & Kohl articles	Email Okun (cultural assumptions) response to your instructor by the beginning of our next class, Feb 1.
	<i>Part 2: CIP Connections</i> A focus on "the puzzlement" today <i>Refine</i> your thinking about your puzzlement, remember to draft the Setting and Puzzlement for your Critical Friends Group for next week	
Class Five	Part One: <i>Learning to see the school's cultures</i>	Due by email: Okun Cultural Assumptions Reflection
February 1	In-class video - <i>A Class Divided</i> Discussion of video and 2 articles Part Two : <i>CIP Connections</i> : Focus on CIP Page about Culture Revisit the question you have begun to cast Reflect on CIP Step 3 Setting & Puzzlement draft review in groups	 Read: Moll article (Funds of Knowledge) Read: Ogbu & Simons article Bring today: your beginning draft of "Setting and Puzzlement" for Critical Friends feedback
Class Six February	Part One : English Language Learners in our Classrooms – Toward a Culturally Responsive Pedagogy (ppt posted)	Read : Cummins, et al. article Read : Zwiers article
8	Discuss Cummins and Zwiers articles Part Two: <i>CIP Connections</i> Begin discussing Framing Your Study (See Falk & Blumenreich, Ch. 5)	DRAFT #1 (4 points): Due Today by email to your instructor: Draft of Setting and "Puzzlement(s)"

Class Seven February 15	 Part One: Language, Culture, and the Teacher's Role In-class video – Speaking in Tongues With follow-up discussion of video & article Part Two: CIP Connections Begin to anchor with the CIP questions you think you will address in your study. We will set up research facilitation groups (Critical Friends Groups) with your input according to either your topic or CIP strand. Discussion of selected CIP article you have read & CFG feedback on your "Framing the Issue" draft 	 Read: Short & Echevarria (ereserves) Bring today: Draft of "framing your study" for Critical Friends Group (CFG) debrief. Re-read: CIP 3.1 & 3.2 and their sub-pages. Read: Select one CIP Study from 3.1 or 3.2 to read. Print it out, and be ready to discuss in groups
Class Eight February	Part One: School Influences & Understanding Issues of Cultural Mismatches (CIP 3.3) and Power Imbalances and Peer Responses (CIP 3.4)	DRAFT #2 (4 points): Due today by email to your instructor: Draft of Framing your Study
22	<i>Mini lecturette</i> on Hofstede and Cultural Distance Research and its application in the educational setting Discussion – Heath article	Read: Heath article Re-read: CIP 3.3, 3.4, 3.5 & sub- pages
	Part Two: <i>CIP Connections</i> Discuss: Collecting and analyzing information to understand your puzzlement & Identify appropriate interventions. What data will you collect for your project? Work with CFGs.	Consult Falk & Blumenreich Ch. 6 "Data Collection Tools"
Class	<i>Part One: Culture and The Teacher</i> Groups and articles discussion	Bring today: Draft of data collection, data analysis, intervention plan for CFG.
Nine March 1	Part Two: CIP Connections	Read Bazron, Osher, et al. article, Creating culturally
	CFG s – go over data collection draft together Whole Group: CIP Step 5 - Developing Interventions - triangulation of data, and	responsive schools (E-Reserves) Read Cummins, Bismilla, et al article Affirming identity in multilingual classrooms(E-Res)
	Interventions - triangulation of data and	milifilinglial classroomer H_RAGI

	at your intervention plan and emergent results of your interventions	questions) Consult your Falk & Blumenreich Ch. 7 "Analyzing Data"
Class Ten March 8	Introduction to the ASTL Portfolio Work in groups on the further development of your action research study Time for Individual consultations	DRAFT #3 (4 points): Due today by email to your instructor: Draft of data collection, data analysis, intervention plan.
Class Eleven March 15	Final Steps: Writing up your research project to share with others. Review Project Rubric together Individual and CFG consultations on your individual projects	 DRAFT #4 (4 points): Due today by email to your instructor: Section on Monitoring of Intervention/Action Plan with Conclusions/Implications Bring today: Draft of emergent full action research study. CFGs will support individuals to provide feedback about: data analysis, explanations about interventions, ideas for monitoring, and results from your actions/interventions.
Class Twelve March 22	Oral Presentation of Research Projects Wrapping it All Up Final Course Evaluations	Due today: One page Executive summary of your Research Project— Make enough copies for classmates and instructors Due to Instructor (email): Final Culture Base Action Research Study
March 22	Beginning of EDUC 615 Final Action Research study should be emailed to your instructor by today. Thank you!	Also, Portfolio Reflection Point #3 due via email to Drs. Fox & Hardy by March 29th

EDUC 606 EDUCATION AND CULTURE Performance-Based Assessment Teacher Research Project Rubric

No Evidence	Beginning	Developing	Accomplished
Little or No Evidence	Limited Evidence	Clear Evidence	Clear, Consistent, and
			Convincing Evidence
Puzzlement(s) and Backgroun	d – Learning Outcome 4		
*States puzzlement(s) only	*States puzzlement(s), but	*States puzzlement(s)	*States puzzlement clearly and
implicitly	not clearly	clearly, but supporting details	thoroughly, with many supporting
*Presents little about "what is	*Information about "what is	may be needed	details
known"	known" lacks clarity	*Presents "what is known"	*Presents "what is known" clearly
OR		clearly, but may not provide	and thoroughly, with many
*Puzzlement is not stated		supporting details.	supporting details
*Information about "What is			
known" is missing			
0- 2 pts.	3-5 pts.	6-7 pts.	8 pts.
Cultural Questions – Learning	g Outcome 6		
*States cultural questions only	*States at least 1-2 cultural	*States at least 1-2 cultural	*States at least 1-2 cultural questions
implicitly or no cultural	questions	questions clearly, with some	clearly and thoroughly, with many
questions are stated	*May lack clear logical	details provided	supporting details provided
*Provides limited or no	relationship between cultural	*Demonstrates logical	*Thoroughly demonstrates logical
discussion of relationship	question(s) and	relationship between cultural	relationship between cultural
between cultural question(s)	puzzlement(s)/what is known	question(s) and	question(s) and puzzlement(s)/what
and puzzlement(s)/what is	*May provide partial	puzzlement(s)/what is known	is known
known	rationale/support for choice	*Provides some	*Provides clear, consistent, and
*Provides minimal or no	of cultural questions(s)	rationale/support for choice	convincing rationale/support for
rationale/support for choice of		of cultural question(s)	choice of cultural question(s)
cultural question(s)			
0-5 pts.	6-8 pts.	9-10 pts.	11 pts.

Literature and References –			
Learning Outcome 6			
*Connections to broader	*Includes appropriate	*Includes thoughtful	*Includes thoughtful and thorough
literature are not appropriate	connections to broader	connections to broader	connections to broader literature
or are missing	literature	literature	*Clear, consistent, and convincing
*Cites less than 4 sources (or	*Cites 4 sources (with 3 not	*Cites 5 sources (with 3 not	citation of more than 6 sources (with
less than 3 not assigned for the	assigned for the course)	assigned for the course)	3 not assigned for the course)
course)			
0-1 pts.	2 - 3 pts.	4 - 5 pts.	6 pts.
Data Collection and Analysis	– Learning Outcome 4		
*Link to cultural question(s) is	*Links to cultural	*Links clearly to cultural	*Links clearly and completely to
unclear or missing	question(s), but may be less	question(s)	cultural question(s)
*Presents minimal or no	than totally clear	*Presents clear discussion of	*Presents clear and complete
discussion of data collection	*Presents discussion of data	data collection and analysis	discussion of data collection and
and analysis methods	collection and analysis	methods	analysis methods
*Presents little or no data	methods, but less than	*Presents solid data to	*Presents extensive and convincing
related to cultural question(s)	complete or less than clear	address cultural question(s)	data to address cultural question(s)
*Presentation of data is	*Presents some data to	*Presentation of data is clear	*Presentation of data is clear,
unclear or poorly organized	address cultural question(s)	and well organized	consistent, and convincing
*Demonstrates little or no	*Presentation of data may	*Attempts to understand	*Makes clear, consistent, and
attempt to understand	lack some clarity or	puzzlement(s) from cultural	convincing attempts to understand
puzzlement(s) from a cultural	organization	point of views	puzzlement(s) from cultural point(s)
point of view	*Attempts to understand	-	of view
-	puzzlement(s) from cultural		
	points of view, but may		
	include some judgments		
0-12 pts.	13-14 pts.	15-16 pts.	17 pts.
Interventions – Learning Out	come 6 and Impact	1	I
*Implements or describes few	*Implements or describes	*Implements or describes	*Implements or describes many
or no interventions	some interventions	several interventions	interventions in a clear, consistent,
*Link to cultural questions	*Link to cultural questions	*Link to cultural questions	and convincing manner

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and data is unclear or missing	and data is less than totally	and data is clear	*Link to cultural questions and data	
	clear		is clear and complete	
0-8 pts.	9-11 pts.	12-13 pts.	14 pts.	
Monitoring (Actual and Plann		· · · · · ·	· •	
*Links to puzzlement(s) and	*Links to puzzlement(s) and	*Links clearly to	*Links clearly and completely to	
interventions not clear or	interventions, but less than	puzzlement(s) and	puzzlement(s) and interventions	
missing	totally clear	interventions	*Presents evidence to evaluate	
*Presents evidence to evaluate	*Presents evidence to	*Presents evidence to	interventions clearly and in a	
interventions with little or no	evaluate interventions with	evaluate interventions clearly	consistent and convincing manner	
clarity or in a poorly organized	some lack of clarity or	and in organized manner	*Clear, consistent, and convincing	
manner	organization	*Sufficient evidence	evidence presented to support	
*Insufficient or no evidence	*Some evidence presented to	presented to support	evaluation decisions	
presented to support	support evaluation decisions	evaluation decisions		
evaluation decisions				
0-2 pts.	3-5 pts.	6-7 pts.	8 pts.	
Conclusions and Implications	– Learning Outcome 7			
*Presents minimal or no	*Presents statement of	*Presents clear statement of	*Presents clear, consistent, and	
statement of conclusions in	conclusions in relation to	conclusions in relation to	convincing statement of conclusions	
relation to puzzlement(s)	puzzlement(s), but may lack	puzzlement(s)	in relation to puzzlement(s)	
*Minimal or no discussion of	some clarity	*Strong to Extensive	*Explicit and extensive discussion of	
broader implications (for own	*Explicitly discusses broader	discussion of broader	broader implications (for own	
practice and/or for other	implications (for own	implications (for own	practice and/or for other teachers,	
teachers, schools, etc.)	practice and/or for other	practice and/or for other	schools, etc.)	
	teachers, schools, etc.)	teachers, schools, etc.)	*Clear, consistent, and convincing	
	*May link to other research	*Links to other research	links to other research	
0-1 pts.	2-3 pts.	4-5 pts.	6 pts.	
Overall Style - Learning Outcome 4				
*Poorly organized across	*Generally well organized	*Well organized across all or	*Well organized consistently across	
sections of report	across sections, but has some	most sections of report	all sections of report	
*Inconsistent "voice" used	organizational problems	*Consistent "voice" used	*Clear and consistent "voice" used	
*Poorly written overall with	*Consistent "voice" used	*Clearly written overall; very	*Clearly and convincingly written	
many stylistic or grammatical	*May have minor problems	few errors evident	overall; no stylistic errors or error	

errors & error patterns	with clarity of writing overall; may have stylistic errors or error patterns evident		patterns
0-1 pts.	2 - 3 pts.	4 - 5 pts.	6 pts.
Draft Sections Submitted by I	L		
No drafts submitted	One draft submitted to	Two drafts submitted to	All three drafts submitted to
0 pts.	instructor by date. 4 pts.	instructor by due dates. 8 pts.	instructor by due dates. 16 pts.
APA Format – Learning Outc	come 4		
*Does not follow APA format	*Generally follows APA	*Generally follows APA	*Follows APA format for headings,
for headings, citations, or	format for headings,	format for headings,	citations, and references
references	citations, and references, but	citations, and references, but	
OR	contains several errors	may have some minor errors	
*No evidence of APA format			
0-1 pts.	2 pts.	3 pts.	4 pts.
Reflection – Learning Outcom	ne 4		
*Does not include	*Includes	*Includes reflection section	
	*Does not address all 3 required areas	*Addresses the 3 required areas	
0- 1 pts.	2-3 pts.	4 pts.	

Critical Friends Groups during the CIP project – Learning Outcome 5