GEORGE MASON UNIVERSITY  
COLLEGE OF EDUCATION and HUMAN DEVELOPMENT  
Education Leadership Program  
EDLE 618, Section DL2 Supervision and Evaluation of Instruction  
3 credits, Fall 2022  
Online ISL cohort  
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Prerequisite(s)/Corequisites: EDLE 620; EDLE 690, and EDLE 792

University Catalogue Course Description

EDLE 618 Supervision and Evaluation of Instruction (3:3:0)  
Provides a theoretical and practical overview of the supervision and evaluation of instruction. 
Introduces the domains of supervision and inquiry into current issues and best practices in supervision. Uses a variety of interactive exercises to assist in the development of practical skills for using the clinical process and developmental approach to supervision.

Course Overview  
This course provides a theoretical and practical application of current issues that confront school leaders in their efforts to provide effective leadership and supervision of school staff. Course participants will engage in small group discussion about educational trends and best practices that lead to high performing schools characterized by strong systems of accountability, continuous improvement, communication and collaboration.

Course Delivery Method

This course will be delivered 100% asynchronous format with assignments throughout the semester via the Blackboard learning management system (LMS) housed in the MyMason portal. You will log in to the Blackboard course site using your Mason email name (everything before “@masonlive.gmu.edu”) and email password. The course site will be available by August 24, 2022.
Technical Requirements

To participate in this course, students will need to satisfy the following technical requirements:
• High-speed Internet access with standard up-to-date browsers. To get a list of Blackboard’s supported browsers see: https://help.blackboard.com/Learn/Student/Getting_Started/Browser_Support#supportedbrowsers

To get a list of supported operation systems on different devices see: https://help.blackboard.com/Learn/Student/Getting_Started/Browser_Support#tested-devicesand-operating-systems

• Students must maintain consistent and reliable access to their GMU email and Blackboard, as these are the official methods of communication for this course.

• Students will need a headset microphone for use with the Blackboard Collaborate web conferencing tool. [Delete this sentence if not applicable.]

• Students may be asked to create logins and passwords on supplemental websites and/or to download trial software to their computer or tablet as part of course requirements.

• The following software plug-ins for PCs and Macs, respectively, are available for free download:
  o Adobe Acrobat Reader: https://get.adobe.com/reader/
  o Windows Media Player: https://support.microsoft.com/en-us/help/14209/get-windows-media-player
  o Apple Quick Time Player: www.apple.com/quicktime/download/

On-line Expectations

• Asynchronous Course Week: work is posted the Wednesday and due by the following Tuesday.
• Office hours- see Blackboard for hours and Zoom link
• Log-in Frequency: Students must actively check the course Blackboard site and their GMU email for communications from the instructor, class discussions, and/or access to course materials at least 3 times per week.
• Participation: Students are expected to actively engage in all course activities throughout the semester, which include viewing of all course materials, completing course activities and assignments, and participating in course discussions and group interactions.
• Technical Competence: Students are expected to demonstrate competence in the use of all course technology. Students who are struggling with technical components of the course are expected to seek assistance from the instructor and/or College or University technical services.
Technical Issues: Students should anticipate some technical difficulties during the semester and should, therefore, budget their time accordingly. Late work will not be accepted based on individual technical issues.

Workload: Students are expected to meet specific deadlines and due dates listed in the Class Schedule section of this syllabus. It is the student’s responsibility to keep track of the weekly course schedule of topics, readings, activities and assignments due.

Instructor Support: Students may schedule a one-on-one meeting to discuss course requirements, content or other course-related issues. Students should email the instructor to schedule a one-on-one session, including their preferred meeting method and suggested dates/times.

Netiquette: The course environment is a collaborative space. Experience shows that even an innocent remark typed in the online environment can be misconstrued. Students must always re-read their responses carefully before posting them, so as others do not consider them as personal offenses. Be positive in your approach with others and diplomatic in selecting your words. Remember that you are not competing with classmates, but sharing information and learning from others. All faculty are similarly expected to be respectful in all communications.

Accommodations: Online learners who require effective accommodations to insure accessibility must be registered with George Mason University Disability Services.

Course Learner Outcomes or Objectives
Students enrolled in this course will understand the research on adult learning theory and how it connects with effective professional development. They will understand the five phases of clinical supervision, and how they relate to the supervisory styles and approaches. Students will observe classrooms and understand the variety of observation methodologies that can be used to collect data. Students will practice data informed decision making to improve teaching and overall student learning.

Students will understand and demonstrate the capacity to reflect on, communicate about, and cultivate professional dispositions and norms (i.e. equity, fairness, integrity, transparency, trust, collaboration, perseverance, reflection, lifelong learning, digital citizenship) and professional district and school cultures.

Relationship of EDLE 618 to Internship Requirements
Although the internship is a separate course, the Education Leadership Program has integrated “embedded experiences” into course work. This means that some of the work in this class is related to your internship. You may write about embedded experiences (such as the Clinical Supervision project) in your internship journal and collective record, but they can only count over and above the minimum 320 hours required for the internship. The professional development project is another example of such an embedded experience.
**Professional Standards**
Upon completion of this course, students will be able to:

1. Demonstrate the ability to identify and define effective instructional practice.
2. Engage with classroom teachers in applying the principles of clinical supervision and the developmental approach to supervision.
3. Demonstrate the ability to apply supervision consistent with adult learning theory, the characteristics of effective professional development, and the research on effective schools.
4. Articulate a working knowledge of current issues and best practices in supervision.
5. Demonstrate the capacity to promote the current and future success and well-being of each student and adult by applying the knowledge, skills, and commitments necessary to evaluate, design, cultivate, and implement coherent systems of curriculum, instruction, data systems, supports, assessment, and instructional leadership.

**NELP Standards**
NELP 1.2 Candidates understand and demonstrate the capacity to lead district strategic planning and continuous improvement processes that engage diverse stakeholders in data collection, diagnosis, design, implementation, and evaluation. (overlaps with 690 and 610)

NELP 2.1 Candidate understands and demonstrates the capacity to reflect on, communicate about, and cultivate professional dispositions and norm (i.e., equity, fairness, integrity, transparency, trust, collaboration, perseverance, reflection, lifelong learning, digital citizenship) and professional district and school culture.

NELP 4.1 Candidates understand and can demonstrate the capacity to evaluate, design, and implement high-quality curricula, the use of technology, and other services and supports for academic and non-academic student programs.

NELP 4.2 Candidates understand and can demonstrate the capacity to collaboratively evaluate, design, and cultivate systems of support, coaching, and professional development for educators, educator professional, and school and district leaders, including themselves, that promote reflection, digital literacy, distributed leadership, data literacy, equity, improvement, and student success.

NELP 4.3 Candidate understand and can demonstrate the capacity to design, implement and evaluate a developmentally appropriate, accessible, and culturally responsive system of assessments and data collection, management, and analysis that support instructional improvement, equity, student learning and well-being, and instructional leadership.

NELP 4.4 Program completers understand and demonstrate the capacity to design, implement, and evaluate district-wide use of coherent systems of curriculum, instruction,
assessment, student services, technology, and instructional resources that support the needs of each student in the district.

**Virginia Department of Education Competencies**

a.1- Knowledge and understanding of student growth and development, including applied learning and motivational theories
a.3- Knowledge and understanding... (above), including principles of effective instruction, measurement, evaluation and assessment strategies
a.5- Knowledge and understanding...(above), including the role of technology in promoting student learning
b.2 -Knowledge and understanding of systems and organizations, including information sources and processing, including data collection and data analysis strategies
b.5- Knowledge and understanding...(above), including effective communication, including consensus building and negotiation skills

**Principles of Good Practice - Teachers and Supervisors of Teachers**

**Preamble**: The following principles provide common ground for interaction between independent school professionals and their many constituents (parents, students, colleagues at other schools, and the public). The NAIS Principles of Good Practice for member schools define high standards and ethical behavior in key areas of school operations to guide schools in becoming the best education communities they can be, to embed the expectation of professionalism, and to further our sector’s core values of transparency, excellence, and inclusivity.

**Overview**: Entrusted with the education of children, the independent school teacher promotes the best interests of the child within the context of the school’s philosophy. *Those who supervise teachers are responsible for the quality of teaching and for promoting growth in those who teach.* The following principles provide guidelines for teachers and supervisors of teachers.


**Required Texts**


**Reference Texts:**


**Course Policies**
Assignments are due by 11:59 p.m. on the dates listed on the syllabus. Late assignments will not be accepted except in emergency situations that have been discussed and approved by the instructor in advance of the due date. Please take advantage of instructor office hours and availability to get assistance prior to assignment deadlines.

**Professional Dispositions**
Students are expected to exhibit professional behaviors and dispositions at all times.

See [https://cehd.gmu.edu/students/polices-procedures/](https://cehd.gmu.edu/students/polices-procedures/)

**Core Values Commitment**
The College of Education & Human Development is committed to collaboration, ethical leadership, innovation, research-based practice, and social justice. Students are expected to adhere to these principles. [http://cehd.gmu.edu/values/](http://cehd.gmu.edu/values/)

**GMU Policies and Resources for Students**

**Policies**
• Students must adhere to the guidelines of the Mason Honor Code (see [https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/honor-code-system/](https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/honor-code-system/)).

• Students must follow the university policy for Responsible Use of Computing (see [http://universitypolicy.gmu.edu/policies/responsible-use-of-computing/](http://universitypolicy.gmu.edu/policies/responsible-use-of-computing/)).

• Students are responsible for the content of university communications sent to their Mason 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 with disabilities who seek accommodations in a course must be registered with George Mason University Disability Services. Approved accommodations will begin at the time the written letter from Disability Services is received by the instructor (see https://ds.gmu.edu/).

• Students must silence all sound emitting devices during class unless otherwise authorized by the instructor.

Campus Resources
• Support for submission of assignments to VIA should be directed to VIAhelp@gmu.edu or https://cehd.gmu.edu/aero/VIA. Questions or concerns regarding use of Blackboard should be directed to http://coursesupport.gmu.edu/.

• For information on student support resources on campus, see https://ctfe.gmu.edu/teaching/student-support-resources-on-campus

Notice of mandatory reporting of sexual assault, interpersonal violence, and stalking:
As a faculty member, I am designated as a “Responsible Employee,” and must report all disclosures of sexual assault, interpersonal violence, and stalking to Mason’s Title IX Coordinator per University Policy 1202. If you wish to speak with someone confidentially, please contact one of Mason’s confidential resources, such as Student Support and Advocacy Center (SSAC) at 703-380-1434 or Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS) at 703-993-2380. You may also seek assistance from Mason’s Title IX Coordinator by calling 703-993-8730, or emailing titleix@gmu.edu.

For additional information on the College of Education and Human Development, please visit our website https://cehd.gmu.edu/students/.

Other reminders:

GMU Add/Drop Policy: The last day to drop this class without any penalty is provided on the GMU academic calendar page http://registrar.gmu.edu/calendar/. It is the student’s responsibility to check to verify that they are properly enrolled, as no credit will be awarded to students who are not.

Plagiarism Statement: Plagiarism means using the exact words, opinions, or factual information from another person without giving that person credit. Writers give credit through accepted documentation styles, such as parenthetical citation, footnotes, or endnotes; a simple listing of books and articles is not sufficient. Plagiarism is the equivalent of intellectual robbery and cannot be tolerated in an academic setting (Statement of English Department at George Mason University).
**Plagiarism and the Internet:** Copyright rules also apply to users of the Internet who cite from Internet sources. Information and graphics accessed electronically must also be cited, giving credit to the sources. This material includes but is not limited to e-mail (don't cite or forward someone else's e-mail without permission), newsgroup material, information from Web sites, including graphics. Even if you give credit, you must get permission from the original source to put any graphic that you did not create on your web page. Shareware graphics are not free. Freeware clipart is available for you to freely use. If the material does not say "free," assume it is not. Putting someone else's Internet material on your web page is stealing intellectual property. Making links to a site is, at this time, okay, but getting permission is strongly advised, since many Web sites have their own requirements for linking to their material. If you have questions about when the contributions of others to your work must be acknowledged and appropriate ways to cite those contributions, please talk with the professor or utilize the GMU Writing Center.

**Academic Integrity & Inclusivity:** This course embodies the perspective that we all have differing perspectives and ideas and we each deserve the opportunity to share our thoughts. Therefore, we will conduct our discussions with respect for those differences, meaning we each have the freedom to express our ideas, but we should also do so keeping in mind that our colleagues deserve to hear differing thoughts in a respectful manner, i.e. we may disagree without being disagreeable. [http://integrity.gmu.edu/](http://integrity.gmu.edu/)

**Diversity, Religious Holiday:** Please refer to George Mason University’s calendar of religious holidays and observations ([http://ulife.gmu.edu/calendar/religious-holiday-calendar/](http://ulife.gmu.edu/calendar/religious-holiday-calendar/)). It is the student's responsibility to speak to the instructor in advance should their religious observances impact their participation in class activities and assignments.

**Student Privacy Policy:** George Mason University strives to fully comply with FERPA by protecting the privacy of student records and judiciously evaluating requests for release of information from those records. Please see George Mason University’s student privacy policy [https://registrar.gmu.edu/students/privacy/](https://registrar.gmu.edu/students/privacy/)

**Other Concerns:** If you have concerns or issues relating to the content or conduct of the class, please talk with me directly. Although the specifics of these conversations are entirely confidential, they may provide me with useful suggestions that may be shared indirectly with the class to improve the learning experience for all students. As a matter of policy, I do not respond to anonymous e-mails. For additional information on the College of Education and Human Development, please visit our website [https://cehd.gmu.edu/](https://cehd.gmu.edu/).