



Faculty of Education

Graduate Summer Institutes 2011

John Dewey's Educational Theory

Course #:	GEDU 6154 07
Unit:	0.5
Term:	Summer II (July 4-12)
Day:	Monday - Friday
Time:	9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Faculty:	Dr. Doug Simpson
Fee:	\$811.50

This course is designed to introduce students to John Dewey's educational theory, especially his views regarding teachers and teaching, students and learning, curricular and collateral experiences, and related topics. Focus is on understanding, evaluating, and applying Dewey's ideas.

His thoughts are studied largely through reading

- (1) Experience and Education by Dewey,
- (2) Teachers, Leaders, and Schools: Essays by John Dewey by Simpson and Stack
- (3) John Dewey and the Art of Teaching: Toward Reflective and Imaginative Practice by Simpson, Jackson, Aycock.

One important aspect of the course is that the class will spend one day in Hubbards visiting important sites and talking with people who have information about Dewey's living and writing in the area.

This course may be used toward the following programs of study:

- Educational Foundations: as an ed foundations (GFDD) designated course.
- Curriculum Studies: General: as a curriculum (GCRD) designated course.
- Elementary and Middle School Education: as a GEMS free elective course.
- Lifelong Learning: may be used toward the 1.5 unit of GSLL elective.