

The University of Texas at Tyler
School of Education
EDUC 4373- Social Studies Curriculum for Elementary
Online- Spring 2024

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Course Catalog Description:

This course provides a foundation for the teaching of social studies as it relates to the EC-6 standards as set by the state of Texas.

Student Learning Outcomes:

Competency 001 (Social Science Instruction): The teacher understands and applies social science knowledge and skills to plan, organize and implement instruction and assess learning.

Competency 002 (History): The teacher understands and applies knowledge of significant historical events and developments, multiple historical interpretations and ideas and relationships between the past, the present and the future as defined by the Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS).

Competency 003 (Geography and Culture): The teacher understands and applies knowledge of geographic relationships involving people, places, and environments in Texas, the United States and the world: the teacher also understands and applies knowledge of cultural development, adaptation, diversity and interactions among science, technology and society as defined by the Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS).

Competency 004 (Economics): The teacher understands and applies knowledge of economic systems and how people organize economic systems to produce, distribute and consume goods and services.

Competency 005 (Government and Citizenship): The teacher understands and applies knowledge of concepts of government, democracy and citizenship, including ways that individuals and groups achieve their. Goals through political systems.

Assessments:

Tests (5 x 10 points)	50%
Book Review (10 points)	10%
Final Exam	40%

Grading Scale

A= 89.5-100%

B= 80-89%

C= 70-79%

D= 60-69%
F= 0-59%

Last Day to Withdraw from Course: March 25, 2024

Textbook, not required to purchase. I have provided the five chapters necessary for each Module.
Hoge, John. Effective Elementary Social Studies, Digitaltextbook.Biz

Required Novel:

(2019) Richardson, Kim Michele, The Book Woman from Troublesome Creek,
Sourcebooks Landmark

Other Resources:

15 Chapters in TEXES Core Subjects EC-6 Social Studies (803) Practice and Study
Guide

Annenberg Learner Workshops

Texas History Timeline/ Texas State History Museum

Tentative Schedule

**The course will be divided into 5 Modules reflecting each of the content areas.
EDUC 4373 is an On- line course.**

Social Studies Instruction: 3 weeks, January 16-February 4, 2024. Test #1-February 4-
11:00 pm

History: 3 weeks, February 5-25, 2024. Test #2 February 5- 25-11:00 pm

Book Review-The Book Woman of Troublesome Creek, February 25- 11:00 pm

Geography and Culture: 3 weeks. February 26-March 10, 2024. Test #3- March 10-11:00

Spring Break

Economics: 2 weeks, March 17-31, 2024. Test #4-March 31- 11:00 pm

Government and Citizenship:3 weeks, April 1-21, 2024. Test #5 April 21-11:00 pm

Review Week- April 22-27, 2024

Final Exam Week April 29-May 3, 2024