REQUEST FOR NEW COURSE

1. **General Information.**
   a. Submitted by the College of: Education
   b. Department/Division: Education Policy Studies and Evaluation
   c. Contact person name: Alan DeYoung
   d. Requested Effective Date: 
      [ ] Semester following approval [ ] Specific Term/Year

2. **Designation and Description of Proposed Course.**
   a. Prefix and Number: EPE 600
   b. Full Title: Social Foundations Topics for Secondary Education
   c. Transcript Title (if full title is more than 40 characters): same
   d. To be Cross-Listed\(^2\) with (Prefix and Number): 
   e. Courses must be described by at least one of the meeting patterns below. Include number of actual contact hours\(^3\) for each meeting pattern type.

   ![Meeting Patterns Table]

   1. Lecture
   2. Laboratory\(^1\)
   3. Recitation
   4. Discussion
   5. Indep. Study
   6. Clinical
   7. Colloquium
   8. Practicum
   9. Research
   10. Residency
   11. Seminar
   12. Studio
   13. Other – Please explain: 

   f. Identify a grading system: [ ] Letter (A, B, C, etc.) [ ] Pass/Fail
   g. Number of credits: 1
   h. Is this course repeatable for additional credit? [ ] YES [ ] NO
   i. If YES: Maximum number of credit hours: 

   If YES: Will this course allow multiple registrations during the same semester? [ ] YES [ ] NO

   
   ![Course Description for Bulletin]

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\(^1\) Courses are typically made effective for the semester following approval. No course will be made effective until all approvals are received.

\(^2\) The chair of the cross-listing department must sign off on the Signature Routing Log.

\(^3\) In general, undergraduate courses are developed on the principle that one semester hour of credit represents one hour of classroom meeting per week for a semester, exclusive of any laboratory meeting. Laboratory meeting, generally, represents at least two hours per week for a semester for one credit hour. (from SR 5.2.1)
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they do not work in schools themselves, nor are they interest in "improving" them.

j. Prerequisites, if any: Admission to the M.A. in Education - Secondary with Initial Certification Option

k. Will this course also be offered through Distance Learning? ☑ YES ☐ NO

l. Supplementary teaching component, if any: ☐ Community-Based Experience ☐ Service Learning ☐ Both

3. Will this course be taught off campus? ☐ YES ☑ NO

4. Frequency of Course Offering.

a. Course will be offered (check all that apply): ☐ Fall ☐ Spring ☐ Summer

b. Will the course be offered every year? ☑ YES ☐ NO

If NO, explain: _______

5. Are facilities and personnel necessary for the proposed new course available? ☑ YES ☐ NO

If NO, explain: _______

6. What enrollment (per section per semester) may reasonably be expected? 25 per section - 3 sections

7. Anticipated Student Demand.

a. Will this course serve students primarily within the degree program? ☐ YES ☑ NO

b. Will it be of interest to a significant number of students outside the degree pgm? ☑ YES ☐ NO

If YES, explain: M.A. in Education - Secondary with Initial Certification Option

8. Check the category most applicable to this course:

☑ Traditional - Offered in Corresponding Departments at Universities Elsewhere

☐ Relatively New - Now Being Widely Established

☐ Not Yet Found in Many (or Any) Other Universities

9. Course Relationship to Program(s).

a. Is this course part of a proposed new program? ☐ YES ☑ NO

If YES, name the proposed new program: _______

b. Will this course be a new requirement\(^4\) for any program? ☑ YES ☐ NO

If YES\(^5\), list affected programs: M.A. in Education - Secondary with Initial Certification Option

10. Information to be Placed on Syllabus.

a. Is the course 400G or 500? ☑ YES ☐ NO

If YES, the differentiation for undergraduate and graduate students must be included in the information required in 10.b. You must include: (i) identification of additional assignments by the graduate students; and/or (ii) establishment of different grading criteria in the course for graduate students. (See SR 3.1.4.)

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\(^4\) You must also submit the Distance Learning Form in order for the proposed course to be considered for DL delivery.

\(^5\) In order to change a program, a program change form must also be submitted.
|   | The syllabus, including course description, student learning outcomes, and grading policies (and 400G-/500-level grading differentiation if applicable, from 10.a above) are attached. |
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Signature Routing Log

General Information:

Course Prefix and Number:  **ED 600**
Proposal Contact Person Name:  **Dr. Alan DeYoung**  Phone: 257-3846  Email: ajdey@uky.edu

INSTRUCTIONS:
Identify the groups or individuals reviewing the proposal; note the date of approval; offer a contact person for each entry; and obtain signature of person authorized to report approval.

Internal College Approvals and Course Cross-listing Approvals:

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Comments:

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6 Councils use this space to indicate approval of revisions made subsequent to that council's approval, if deemed necessary by the revising council.

Rev 8/09
General Course Information

Course Department and Number EPE 600 (1 credit)
Course Title: "Social Foundations" Topics for MIC Programs
Course Meeting Dates:

Instructor Contact Information:

Professor: Alan J. DeYoung
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257-3846; Fax: 257-4243; E-mail AJDEY@UKY.EDU
Office Hours: M and T 10:00-11:00 and by appointment
Preferred method of reaching instructor: via e-mail

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MIC Caveats:

Two quick caveats: #1 - this course and how it meshes with the rest of the MIC sequence is a work in progress. The organizations history of schools and education colleges has historically fostered departmentalization. Trying to refocus departments on a unified, practical objective is more complicated than some might imagine. And, #2 - Much of the work in "social foundations" argues/suggests/finds that value disputes and problems in the larger culture affect/determine schooling objectives and purposes. Since many of these disputes surrounding school go unresolved, it seems likely that many of the issues and policies within schools, too, cannot be resolved solely by reforms in educational practice. These tensions related to public education surround the school and the training of teachers. They are thus a focus of inquiry, as well as a reason no teacher training program can be as seamless as we might like. Welcome to the fray!

Student Learning Outcomes: students will be able to recognize, discuss and present issues and problems in the history and philosophy of American education since the early nineteenth century and up until the present time.

Course Goals and Objectives: see above
Required Materials: view PBS series School in-class

Content Outline: This class is organized around the PBS series: School: The Story of American Public Education, which first aired in the Fall of 2001. The attendant reader of the same title by Sarah Mondale (Beacon Press, 2001), is also recommended. There are four parts to this documentary and commentary, which matches up pretty well with the time slots available for our course. Links to related themes in educational psychology and special education topics in the MIC will be attempted in these discussions, as well as connections to the EDC core aims. Every student should complete assigned readings in advance of class, come to class, pay attention to class discussion, and raise questions and concerns over class proceedings as interests arise. Class always works best when students come in prepared to ask questions and debate the issues.

Course Evaluation and Assignment Due Dates: There are three written components involved in evaluating student performance. These include observation and description of a school board or other public meeting where education policy in the local district or state has occurred during the semester; collection and analysis of five current policy issues found in local or national media; and a historical landscape of one or more particular schools where education policy and practice during at least one decade in the past 100 years is described and analyzed. Further details are provided below. Assignments will be equally weighted, and worth 33 points each, for a total of 100 possible points. Students who earn 90% of points possible will receive an A in EPE 501; 80% will yield a B; etc. All three assignments must be completed, put together in a notebook, and submitted in hard copy to me on or before November 13 at our last class. I am available during office hours or virtually for conversation on these assignments at any time. There is no final examination for this course, nor is there a midterm examination.

Policy on academic accommodations due to disability: If you have a documented disability that requires academic accommodations, please see me as soon as possible during scheduled office hours. In order to receive accommodations in this course, you must provide me with a Letter of Accommodation from the Disability Resource Center (Room 2, Alumni Gym, 257-2754, email address jkarnes@email.uky.edu) for coordination of campus disability services available to students with disabilities.

Tentative Topic and Reading Outline

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ASSIGNMENTS

Assignment #1: Contemporary issue identification and discussion.

Sociologist C. Wright Mills argued that modern American life is beset with both social problems and social issues. Social problems, he suggests, are more amenable to remediation and reform as there is usually consensus on root causes and improvement strategies. Social issues, on the other hand, usually involve deeply held but often contradictory personal and social values. They are thus much more difficult to "solve." In public education, we can clearly observe both social problems and social issues. The posting of the Ten Commandments in many schools illustrates the point: some say they represent pillars of the American republic and since the goal of the school is to socialize children into society, these moral admonitions are imperative. Others disagree, suggesting the importance of the school as a site to sustain and promote diversity in the culture. Who is right? How would you know? Since the answer to this typically involves "values" rather than "facts," it likely represents a social issue rather than a social problem in the lexicon of academics like Mills.

From local media or web sources, students will identify and articulate five contentious issues involving public and/or private schools. In addition to locating and abstracting (or attaching) the five issues in question, students are required to write a brief précis on each issue. I suggest a one-page synopsis for each of these. For each issue analysis, try to objectively describe what the argument is about and who it is between. Also, where possible, I would like some mention of interested stakeholders in policy disputes/directions involved in the issue. Your opinions about who is "correct" (based upon your own values) are also welcome if you care to comment.

Assignment #2: Historical School Landscaping

Sitting here in Lexington watching the School documentary makes it appear that all of our educational history and reform happened mostly in other places. It seems not real. This is, of course, not the case. In a five page data-informed paper, please pick an educational institution or district and describe the landscape of education there during one or two decades prior to the 1980s. Who went? Who taught? What did they study? What were the pressing local issues surrounding the school? How did any of what we are seeing in the videos (if anything) relate to the local landscape?

Assignment #3: School Board Meeting Attendance and Minutes

Some argue that the American public school board is the best remaining vestige of direct democracy in American life. It is here where values and value conflicts are directly debated by citizens, and citizens themselves must wrestle with creating educational policy on a monthly basis as they direct the educational enterprise. Such are also the folk for whom you hopefully will one day be working. Your assignment is to attend a school board meeting here or in your home county or district (or a SBDM meeting), and describe what happened there in a 3-4 page outline or narrative. Please locate the Fayette County Schools web site and find
their meeting dates for the semester (if you choose to visit the local board meeting). Attend, take notes, and get this assignment done asap.
References


