# Course Schedule

Important: **ALL TIMES EASTERN** - Please see the [University Policies](#) section of your Course Outline for details

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| **Week 01: Introduction and Organization** | Monday, May 2, 2022 to Sunday, May 8, 2022 | - Introduction Activity (See [Week 01 page, Step 2 Part A](#))  
- Participation Portfolio  
  ○ Class Discussions  
  ○ Reflections Workbook (Optional) | Self-enroll in a group for the Student-Facilitated Seminar* | Join group by Sunday, May 8, 2022 at 11:55 PM |  |
| **Week 02: The Structures and Purposes of Schools** | Monday, May 9, 2022 to Sunday, May 15, 2022 | - Class Discussions  
- Reflections Workbook (Optional) | Begin working on your Student-Facilitated Seminar* with your group | Begin [Op Ed Assignment](#) |  |
| **Week 03: The Power 'Rules' for Education** | Monday, May 16, 2022 to Sunday, May 22, 2022 | - Class Discussions  
- Reflections Workbook (Optional) | If submitting a creative work for Critical Policy Analysis Assignment, advise instructor | Sunday, May 22, 2022 at 11:55 PM |  |
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<th><strong>Week 04:</strong> Democracy, Citizenship, and Schooling</th>
<th>Monday, May 23, 2022 to Sunday, May 29, 2022</th>
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<th>Self and Peer Evaluation due Monday, June 13, 2022 at 11:55 PM</th>
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<th><strong>Week 05:</strong> Schooling and Colonialism</th>
<th>Monday, May 30, 2022 to Sunday, June 5, 2022</th>
<th>Student-Facilitated Seminar*: African-Centred Schooling to be posted on Monday, May 30, 2022 at 8:00 AM.</th>
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<th><strong>Week 06:</strong> Indigenous Knowledge and Pedagogy</th>
<th>Monday, June 6, 2022 to Sunday, June 12, 2022</th>
<th>Student-Facilitated Seminar*: Reconciliation Education to be posted on Monday, June 6, 2022 at 8:00 AM.</th>
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Monday,  ■ Class | Student- |

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| Week 07: (Dis)abilities and the School Child's 'Body' | June 13, 2022 to Sunday, June 19, 2022 | Discussions  
- Reflections Workbook (Optional) | Facilitated Seminar*: Restorative Approach for Learning to be posted on Monday, June 13, 2022 at 8:00 AM. | Peer Evaluation due Monday, July 4, 2022 at 11:55 PM | 10%  
- Weeks 1-6 Participation Portfolio Due |
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| Week 08: Gendered Education and Youth Culture | Monday, June 20, 2022 to Sunday, June 26, 2022 | Class Discussions  
- Reflections Workbook (Optional) | Student-Facilitated Seminar*: Transgender Inclusive School Cultures to be posted on Monday, June 20, 2022 at 8:00 AM. | Self and Peer Evaluation due Monday, July 11, 2022 at 11:55 PM |
| Week 09: Hetero-Normative School Discourses | Monday, June 27, 2022 to Sunday, July 3, 2022 | Class Discussions  
- Reflections Workbook (Optional) | Student-Facilitated Seminar*: Canada's 'Shortage' of Male Teachers to be posted on Monday, June 27, 2022 at 8:00 AM. | Self and Peer Evaluation due Monday, July 18, 2022 at 11:55 PM |
| Monday, | | Class | Student-Facilitated Seminar* | | |
- Reflections  
Workbook (Optional) | Facilitated Seminar*: EQAO and Standardized Tests in Schools to be posted on Monday, July 4, 2022 at 8:00 AM. | Peer Evaluation due Monday, July 25, 2022 at 11:55 PM |
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| Week 11: Research Week | Monday, July 11, 2022 to Sunday, July 17, 2022 | Check Announcements:  
- Course Evaluation | | |
| Week 12: Humble Pedagogies | Monday, July 18, 2022 to Sunday, July 24, 2022 |  
- Class Discussions  
- Reflections Workbook (Optional)  
- Love Notes Activity (Check Announcements) | Weeks 7-12 Participation Portfolio Due  
Critical Policy Analysis Assignment Due | Monday, July 25, 2022 at 11:55 PM |

*Please note: The final grade associated with the Student-Facilitated Seminar and Self and Peer Evaluation is 25%.
Contact Information

Announcements

Your instructor uses the **Announcements** widget on the **Course Home** page during the term to communicate new or changing information regarding due dates, instructor absence, etc., as needed. You are expected to read the announcements on a regular basis.

To ensure you are viewing the complete list of announcements, you may need to click **Show All Announcements**.

Discussions

A **General Discussion** topic* has also been made available to allow students to communicate with peers in the course. Your instructor may drop in at this discussion topic.

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<td><strong>Instructor</strong></td>
<td><strong>Post your course-related questions</strong> to the <strong>Ask the Instructor</strong> discussion topic*. This allows other students to benefit from your question as well. <strong>Questions of a personal nature</strong> can be directed to your instructor. Please include your full name and course name and number in your email. <strong>Instructor:</strong> Dr. Nicole Sanderson <strong><a href="mailto:nbsander@uwaterloo.ca">nbsander@uwaterloo.ca</a></strong></td>
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*Note: Topic details are placeholders and may vary based on the specific course.
Your instructor checks email and the **Ask the Instructor** discussion topic frequently and will make every effort to reply to your questions within 24–48 hours, Monday to Friday.

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*Discussion topics can be accessed by clicking **Connect** and then **Discussions** on the course navigation bar above.*
Course Description and Learning Outcomes

Description

This course is designed to examine the social foundations of education (traditionally philosophy, sociology, and history of education, but also cultural and equity studies). Through an interdisciplinary framework, we will consider ideals of and ideas about education, how assumptions about knowledge shape commitments to learning and schooling, and how notions of equity are embedded in and constrained by structures of education and society. The focus will be on the roles that schooling systems, teachers, and students, as well as related institutions and groups play in both reproducing and challenging oppression and injustices. Through readings, dialogue with your peers, and instructor-led and student-led seminars, you will be encouraged to develop concepts and language to evaluate on-going public and political dialogue about the purposes of education and the meanings of educational equity.

Learning Outcomes

By the end of this course, you will be able to:

1. Describe how education processes reproduce and/or challenge social inequality;
2. Describe how power in society (e.g., colonialism, corporatization, globalization, patriarchy) shapes education;
3. Identify theories of education that inform educational practices and policies;
4. Question dominant educational discourses regarding teaching, curriculum, learning, youth culture, and pedagogy;
5. Demonstrate knowledge of and define a position on the purposes of education for an equitable society;
6. Recognize the multiple stakeholders involved in controversial issues for equity and education;
7. Critique secondary literature in the social foundations of education;
8. Critically analyze educational policy; and
9. Construct and confirm understanding of the course material through extensive dialogue with your peers.

This online course was developed by Dr. Kristina R. Llewellyn, with instructional design and multimedia development support provided by the Centre for Extended Learning. Further media production was provided by Instructional Technologies and Multimedia Services.
About the Course Instructor and Author

Course Instructor — Dr. Nicole Sanderson

Dr. Nicole Sanderson is a lecturer at Renison University College. She teaches courses in Sociology of Education, Sociology of Adolescence, History of Education, and Gender Relations within Educational Institutions for the department of Social Development Studies.

Dr. Sanderson's research interests include mobile learning, academic integrity, teacher education, curriculum development, teaching and learning in higher education, feminist theory, and equity issues. She is also a certified elementary and secondary schoolteacher with the Ontario College of Teachers.
I am an Associate Professor in the Department of Social Development Studies at Renison University College, University of Waterloo. I teach courses in education, childhood studies, and social policy.

**Educational Background**

Prior to starting my current position in 2009, I completed a SSHRC Post-Doctoral Fellowship (2006-2008) with the Faculty of Education at the University of Ottawa. My PhD was conferred in 2006 from the Department of Educational Studies at the University of British Columbia. I attained my Master of Arts in Education from the Ontario Institute for Studies in Education at the University of Toronto in 2002. Queen’s University concurrently awarded my Bachelor of Arts (honours) and Bachelor of Education degrees in 2000.
Current Research

Materials and Resources

Textbook(s)

There are no required textbooks for this course.

Course Reserves

Course Reserves can be accessed using the Library Resources widget on the Course Home page.

Resources

- Library services for Co-op students on work term and students taking online courses
- Counselling Services (PDF)
## Grade Breakdown

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## Official Grades

Official Grades and Academic Standings are available through [Quest](#).
Course and Department Policies

Course Policies

Assignment Deadlines

Due dates are firm. You are responsible for informing the instructor in advance if you are unable to complete an assignment by the scheduled date. Missed due dates are only acceptable in the case of medical problems (please refer to Accommodation Due to Illness on the University Policies page in this syllabus), for serious compassionate reasons, or as a pre-arranged accommodation for students with disabilities. Late submissions, without advance permission, will be given a 10% reduction in the total possible grade for each 24 hours after the due date. No assignments will be accepted if submitted more than one week after the deadline. In some cases, it may be necessary to complete alternate assignments for deadlines that are missed.

Difficulty with assignments is not a sufficient reason for an extension. Any student who finds himself / herself / themself struggling with an assignment during the term is encouraged to contact the instructor as soon as possible to discuss strategies for success. It is important to begin assignments well in advance of the due date in case of problems.

Travel and Completion of Final Assignment Policy

Students should be aware that student travel plans are not acceptable grounds for granting an alternative final course assignment date (see Final Examinations; Important Information).

Department Policies

Academic Integrity

Please refer to Academic Integrity on the University Policies page in this syllabus. For more
information, refer to the Ethical Behaviour (Arts) webpages.

A Respectful Living and Learning Environment for All

1. It is expected that everyone living, learning or working on the premises of Renison University College will contribute to an environment of tolerance and respect by treating others with sensitivity and civility.

2. Harassment is unwanted attention in the form of jokes, insults, gestures, gossip, or other behaviours that are meant to intimidate. Some instances of harassment are against the law in addition to Renison University College policy.

3. Discrimination is treating people differently because of their race, disability, sex, sexual orientation, ancestry, colour, age, creed, marital status, or other personal characteristics. The Ontario Human Rights Code considers actions and behaviours rather than intentions.

4. If you experience or witness either harassment or discrimination, please follow the Renison University College Harassment and Discrimination Policy Guidelines for student, staff and faculty.
University Policies

Submission Times

Please be aware that the University of Waterloo is located in the **Eastern Time Zone** (GMT or UTC-5 during standard time and UTC-4 during daylight saving time) and, as such, the time that your activities and/or assignments are due is based on this zone. If you are outside the Eastern Time Zone and require assistance with converting your time, please try the [Ontario, Canada Time Converter](#).

Accommodation Due to Illness

If your instructor has provided specific procedures for you to follow if you miss assignment due dates, term tests, or a final examination, adhere to those instructions. Otherwise:

**Missed Assignments/Tests/Quizzes**

Contact the instructor as soon as you realize there will be a problem, and preferably within 48 hours, but no more than 72 hours, have a medical practitioner complete a [Verification of Illness Form](#).

**Email** a scanned copy of the Verification of Illness Form to your instructor. In your email to the instructor, provide your name, student ID number, and exactly what course activity you missed.

Further information regarding Management of Requests for Accommodation Due to Illness can be found on the [Accommodation due to illness](#) page.

**Missed Final Examinations**

Contact your instructor as soon as possible if you are unable to fulfill academic requirements due to illness or other extenuating circumstances.
Further information about Examination Accommodations is available in the Undergraduate Calendar.

**Academic Integrity**

In order to maintain a culture of academic integrity, members of the University of Waterloo community are expected to promote honesty, trust, fairness, respect, and responsibility. If you have not already completed the online tutorial regarding academic integrity you should do so as soon as possible. Undergraduate students should see the Academic Integrity Tutorial and graduate students should see the Graduate Students and Academic Integrity website.

Proper citations are part of academic integrity. Citations in CEL course materials usually follow CEL style, which is based on APA style. Your course may follow a different style. If you are uncertain which style to use for an assignment, please confirm with your instructor or TA.

For further information on academic integrity, please visit the Office of Academic Integrity.

**Turnitin**

**Turnitin.com**: Text matching software (Turnitin®) may be used to screen assignments in this course. Turnitin® is used to verify that all materials and sources in assignments are documented. Students’ submissions are stored on a U.S. server, therefore students must be given an alternative (e.g., scaffolded assignment or annotated bibliography), if they are concerned about their privacy and/or security. Students will be given due notice, in the first week of the term and/or at the time assignment details are provided, about arrangements and alternatives for the use of Turnitin® in this course.

It is the responsibility of the student to notify the instructor if they, in the first week of term or at the time assignment details are provided, wish to submit the alternate assignment.

[Turnitin® at Waterloo](#)

**Discipline**
A student is expected to know what constitutes academic integrity to avoid committing an academic offence, and to take responsibility for his/her actions. A student who is unsure whether an action constitutes an offence, or who needs help in learning how to avoid offences (e.g., plagiarism, cheating) or about “rules” for group work/collaboration, should seek guidance from the course instructor, academic advisor, or the undergraduate Associate Dean. For information on categories of offences and types of penalties, students should refer to Policy 71 - Student Discipline. For typical penalties, check Guidelines for the Assessment of Penalties.

Appeals

A decision made or penalty imposed under Policy 70 - Student Petitions and Grievances, (other than a petition) or Policy 71 - Student Discipline, may be appealed if there is a ground. A student who believes he/she has a ground for an appeal should refer to Policy 72 - Student Appeals.

Grievance

A student who believes that a decision affecting some aspect of his/her university life has been unfair or unreasonable may have grounds for initiating a grievance. Read Policy 70 - Student Petitions and Grievances, Section 4. When in doubt please be certain to contact the department’s administrative assistant who will provide further assistance.

Final Grades

In accordance with Policy 46 - Information Management, Appendix A - Access to and Release of Student Information, the Centre for Extended Learning does not release final examination grades or final course grades to students. Students must go to Quest to see all final grades. Any grades posted in Waterloo LEARN are unofficial.

AccessAbility Services

AccessAbility Services, located in Needles Hall, collaborates with all academic
departs to arrange appropriate accommodations for students with disabilities without compromising the academic integrity of the curriculum. If you require academic accommodation to lessen the impact of your disability, please register with AccessAbility Services at the beginning of each academic term and for each course.

Accessiblity Statement

The Centre for Extended Learning strives to meet the needs of all our online learners. Our ongoing efforts to become aligned with the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA) are guided by University of Waterloo accessibility Legislation and policy and the World Wide Web Consortium's (W3C) Web Content Accessibility Guidelines (WCAG) 2.0. The majority of our online courses are currently delivered via the Desire2Learn Learning Environment. Learn more about Desire2Learn’s Accessibility Standards Compliance.

Use of Computing and Network Resources

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