

Statement of Collaboration

Project: Facilitation/Instruction of Seminar Course

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Class: ETAP 690M Teaching High School Mathematics: Methods and Guided Field Experience
University at Albany

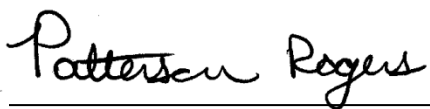
Description of Project

The instructors collaborated to design a solid curriculum to enrich graduate students' knowledge of curriculum design and instruction as well as provide support throughout their full-time pre-service teaching assignment.

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This course was taught in the fall semester of 2011. The instructors corresponded often throughout the semester via email correspondence, telephone conversations, in person, and through Dropbox for file sharing. Prior to the start of class, the instructors met on campus to discuss the curriculum and weekly instruction. The instructors chose to divide the workload in half – each person being responsible for an alternating week. This responsibility not only included the lesson design, format, and topic of the week, but also the facilitation thereof. Patterson designed the online component of the course for student journaling and submission of assignments. Shelli was responsible for ensuring an adequate connection to Skype weekly to accommodate one pre-service teacher placed in Canada. All student assignment submissions were reviewed by both instructors and consensus on grading was achieved through discussion. The instructors split the journal reading – each instructor read 4 of the 8 entries weekly, but alternated students each week to ensure Patterson and Shelli each had a solid understanding of the students' needs, issues, concerns, etc. All discussion concerning student achievement, or lack of, was discussed thoroughly before any action was initiated. Shelli and Patterson facilitated the development of the students' portfolios for submission to the Educational Theory and Practice Department as required for graduation.

We agree all members participated fully and worked cooperatively on this product.

 2/11/2013

Patterson Rogers

Date

 2/11/2013

Shelli Casler-Failing

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