ED 589: Educational Trends: A Perspective

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PREREQUISITES: Since this a graduate level class, a baccalaureate degree is required.

COURSE CREDITS: Two semester graduate level hours.

DESCRIPTION: Today’s educators are bombarded with a variety of expectations, responsibilities, and demands. In addition, economic political, and sociological factors influence today’s classrooms, and teacher don’t have th training or the time to keep up with these forces. This on-line class will examine many of the current, relevant dynamics at work in our profession. The participant will gain heightened awareness of the issues present in today’s schools, and will be provided a forum to discuss the implications for the classroom now and in the years to come.

TEXT: Relevant articles e-mailed or posted on web site.

COURSE OBJECTIVES:

Upon completion of this course, participants will be able to:

1. Identify current legislation pertaining to education on a local and national level.
2. Analyze the ramifications of educational reform in public and private schools.
3. Understand parent expectations and public perception of the school system.
4. List the pressing concerns about education in the United States today.