

Course Title: **Special Topic in Education**

Course Code: **EDUC815**

Descriptor Start Date: **08/07/2024**

POINTS: **30.00**

LEVEL: **8**

PREREQUISITE/S:

COREQUISITE/S:

RESTRICTION/S:

## LEARNING HOURS

Hours may include lectures, tutorials, online forums, laboratories. Refer to your timetable and course information in Canvas for detailed information.

**Total learning hours: 300**

## PRESCRIPTOR

This course enables students to engage in advanced study on a predetermined special topic in education relevant to Aotearoa New Zealand or internationally. The special topic is chosen by academic staff teaching the course and is related to their own scholarship, enabling students to benefit from contemporary advances in knowledge. The topic may vary each semester or year. Students will engage in critical analysis, synthesis, and application of ideas to education.

## LEARNING OUTCOMES

1. Demonstrate understanding of current scholarship on the topic through engaging with and using course supplied and individually sourced literature and resources.
2. Use tools of critical analysis such as analytical frameworks, dialogic discussion, and academic writing to develop their own new insights on the topic.
3. Identify the significance of their own and other insights on the topic to education .

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## CONTENT

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- Definitions and scoping of the topic
- History and main developments in the topic
- Current directions of the topic in contemporary education
- Critical analysis tools and techniques
- Relationship between the topic and local, national (including Te Tiriti o Waitangi and te ao Māori), and international contexts.
- Application of the content to own interests and circumstances.

## LEARNING & TEACHING STRATEGIES

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Teaching may include whole class sessions, group discussions, individual workshops, online activities, supervised and self-directed scholarship.

## ASSESSMENT PLAN

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Assessment Event	Weighting %	Learning Outcomes
Literature review	20.00	1
Critical analysis	30.00	2
Written report	50.00	1, 2, 3

<b>Grade Map</b>	<b>MAP1</b>
	A+ A A- Pass with Distinction
	B+ B B- Pass with Merit
	C+ C C- Pass
	D Fail

### Overall requirement/s to pass the course:

All assessment events must be attempted with a minimum of 50% overall pass mark required.

## LEARNING RESOURCES

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To be provided via Canvas.

**For further information, contact:** Te Ara Kete Aronui - Faculty of Culture & Society

**Principal Programme:** AK1053, Master of Education

**Related Programme/s:** AK3744  
AK3743

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