



VANGUARD UNIVERSITY

Graduate Education Program

Offers 3 Courses for Educators

DOWNEY/ LONG BEACH and ORANGE COUNTY – SUMMER 2026

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| 1. “WINNING STRATEGIES & MOTIVATIONAL TECHNIQUES” | STARTS WED., APR. 15 |
| 2. “IMPLEMENTING CREATIVE COMPONENTS IN THE CLASSROOM” | STARTS WED., JUNE 10 |
| 3. “THE ART OF CURRICULUM DESIGN: SPARK THE FLAME OF LEARNING” | STARTS WED., JULY 8 |

WHERE: DISTANCE LEARNING*

CREDIT: These courses are being offered by the Graduate Education Department of Vanguard University, Costa Mesa, CA. Vanguard University is accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges.

WHO: These courses are designed for educators. With district approval, course credit may be used for pay increase and professional growth

TUITION: \$348 for 3 semester units of graduate extension credit. Manual enrollment fees may apply.

COURSE COORDINATOR: JEAN SIMPSON, former Professor of Art Education, CSUN, former classroom teacher and master teacher, LAUSD. Jean has authored seven books, was a television arts and crafts teacher and was selected as “One of the Four Most Creative Women in America” by the Ladies’ Home Journal magazine. Don’t miss this dynamic instructor!

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| 1. “WINNING STRATEGIES & MOTIVATIONAL TECHNIQUES” | STARTS WED., APR. 15 |
| WHEN: APRIL 15 TO MAY 20 | WHAT: EDUX 5610 A, B, C, OR D |
| ZOOM Meeting: WEDNESDAY, APRIL 15 - 5:00 PM | Flexible Scheduling |

COURSE DESCRIPTION: This course is designed to aid educators in the process of developing effective strategies and proven techniques conducive to improving student self-esteem and relatedness, classroom participation and learning retention. Activities that extend student’s knowledge beyond the basic curriculum and provide thoughtful approaches to content will be presented. A study tour may also be included to broaden students’ horizons and increase their ability to make connections across the curriculum. This is an exciting course in which educators will plan, organize and prepare to end the 2025-2026 school year.

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| 2. “IMPLEMENTING CREATIVE COMPONENTS IN THE CLASSROOM” | STARTS WED., JUNE 10 |
| WHEN: JUNE 10 TO JULY 8 | WHAT: EDUX 5270 A, B, C, OR D |
| ZOOM Meeting: WEDNESDAY, JUNE 10 - 5:00 PM | Flexible Scheduling |

COURSE DESCRIPTION: This course will focus on infusing creative components into Content Standards throughout the curriculum. Exciting concepts, projects and activities will be presented that will challenge EO and ELL students alike. Strategies and materials for increasing student motivation and augmenting Content Standards will be explored. This course will be packed with gems, guaranteed to spark the flame of creativity and learning that will shine in your classroom tomorrow. Get ready for the new school year!

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FOR COURSES IN BAKERSFIELD, SANTA CLARITA, LANCASTER, GLENDALE/LA CRESCENTA, VENTURA, SIMI VALLEY, ORANGE COUNTY & DOWNEY/LONG BEACH

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| WHEN: JULY 8 TO AUGUST 5 | WHAT: EDUX 5540 A, B, C, OR D |
| ZOOM Meeting: WEDNESDAY, JULY 8 - 5:00 PM | Flexible Scheduling |

COURSE DESCRIPTION: This course will focus on empowering the classroom teacher with innovative and tested approaches to curriculum development. Participants will plan, prep, research or create curriculum projects, bringing out their best ideas and finding new ways to improve instruction. Course participants will see more clearly the obstacles of their personal curriculum and the find new paths along the road to learning. This course is a must for every classroom teacher, transitioning them from conveyers of curriculum to artists of curriculum design. Get ready for the 2026-2027 school year!

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