



# VANGUARD UNIVERSITY

Graduate Education Program

## Offers 4 Courses for Educators

### EAST BAY – SUMMER 2026

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| 1. "THE LIVING CLASSROOM"                        | STARTS MON., JUNE 8  |
| 2. "SIMPLE SOLUTIONS TO STRENGTHEN YOUR PROGRAM" | STARTS MON., JUNE 29 |
| 3. "DEVELOPING QUALITY CURRICULUM"               | STARTS MON., JULY 13 |
| 4. "SUCCESSFUL CLASSROOM ORGANIZATION"           | STARTS MON., AUG. 3  |

WHERE: **DISTANCE LEARNING\***

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WHO: These online/hybrid 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. "THE LIVING CLASSROOM"              | STARTS MON., JUNE 8           |
| WHEN: JUNE 8 TO JUNE 29                | WHAT: EDUX 5520 A, B, C, OR D |
| ZOOM Meeting: MONDAY, JUNE 8 - 6:00 PM | Flexible Scheduling           |

**COURSE DESCRIPTION:** This course emphasizes visiting community resources, and natural and historically significant locations that can bring the classroom to life. Participants may plan, prep, research or tour educational sites that have genuine implications across the curriculum for student achievement and social understanding. Rich resources for language arts, social science, multicultural studies, art and math will be encountered. This is a wonderful opportunity to enrich the classroom experience of your pupils and motivate them to read and write about the things they have seen.

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| 2. "SIMPLE SOLUTIONS TO STRENGTHEN YOUR PROGRAM" | STARTS MON., JUNE 29          |
| WHEN: JUNE 29 to JULY 13                         | WHAT: EDUX 5370 A, B, C, OR D |
| ZOOM Meeting: MONDAY, JUNE 29 - 6:00 PM          | Flexible Scheduling           |

**COURSE DESCRIPTION:** This course will provide educators with a variety of simple and effective solutions for strengthening their classroom programs. Participants may plan, prep, research or explore activities designed to expand student learning beyond the basic curriculum. This course will give classroom teachers the opportunity to construct projects to enhance the curriculum. An optional study tour may be included in this course to provide sources for additional classroom enrichment. A wide range of methods to enrich the curriculum will be explored.

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| 3. "DEVELOPING QUALITY CLASSROOM"       | STARTS MON., JULY 13          |
| WHEN: JULY 13 TO AUGUST 3               | WHAT: EDUX 5190 A, B, C, OR D |
| ZOOM Meeting: MONDAY, JULY 13 - 6:00 PM | Flexible Scheduling           |

**COURSE DESCRIPTION:** This course will provide each participant with an extensive portfolio of center oriented materials and a management system designed to increase student motivation and reinforce achievement in Content Standards. Participants may plan, prep, research or construct activities that provide reinforcement to pupils of every grade and ability level. The focus will be on Standards Based activities.

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| 4. "SUCCESSFUL CLASSROOM ORGANIZATION"   | STARTS MON., AUG. 3           |
| WHEN: AUGUST 3 TO AUGUST 24              | WHAT: EDUX 5380 A, B, C, OR D |
| ZOOM Meeting: MONDAY, AUGUST 3 - 6:00 PM | Flexible Scheduling           |

**COURSE DESCRIPTION:** This course will provide participants the opportunity to plan, prep, organize, and explore organizational concepts. Projects that support critical thinking and creative interaction will be covered, as well as, the utilization of learning groups and partnerships. An outline of the organizational structure of how these groups may organize their material, prepare their research and/or projects will be discussed.

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