

## Spring 2018 – STEM 4033 T/TH 12:30-1:45 - Tentative Schedule

\*Please keep in mind that this is a tentative schedule. Please check the <http://www.uastem.com> website for updates.

### Week 1

#### **Tuesday, January 16**

- Introduction via Earth Ball – Land vs. Water Activity
  - <https://www.jpl.nasa.gov/edu/teach/activity/ocean-world-earth-globe-toss-game/>
- Syllabus Review
- Intro to STEM Education PP
- Readings: Handout - Ch. 1 - Introduction and Background and History of the STEM Movement in *The Overlooked STEM Imperatives*

#### **Thursday, January 18**

- Reading Review
- Intro to STEM Education PP (cont.)
- Touchdown Design Challenge
- Readings: [Chapter 1. Why Project Based Learning?](#) (pgs. 1-23) in the PBL text

### Week 2

#### **Tuesday, January 23**

- Reading Review
- Space Frame Challenge (using simple tools and materials)
- Reading: Handout - Chapter 2 – Power and Promise of STEM Education in the *The Overlooked STEM Imperatives and A Framework for STEM Problem Solving*

#### **Thursday, January 25**

- Reading Review
- Space Frame Challenge Testing and Discussion
- The Design Loop PP
- **Assignment 1 – Creating a Design Loop (Due February 1)**
- Reading: [Appendix A. Project Snapshots](#) (pgs. 177-121) in the PBL text

### Week 3

#### **Tuesday, January 30**

- Reading Review
- The Design Process – Sample Design Challenge
- Reading: Chapter 3 – ‘T’ and ‘E’ in STEM in the *The Overlooked STEM Imperatives*

#### **Thursday, February 1**

- **Design Loop Presentations**
- Reading Review
- Curriculum Design and Assessment PP
- **Assignment 2 - Narrative Curriculum Assignment (Due February 15)**
- Reading: Writing a STEM Design Brief and [Toward Narrative-Centered Learning Environments](#)

### Week 4

#### **Tuesday, February 6**

- Reading Review
- Curriculum Design and Assessment PP (continued)
- Narrative Curriculum Development
- Reading: Handout - Integrating Literacy and Engineering Instruction for Young Learners

#### **Thursday, February 8**

- Reading Review
- Curriculum Design and Assessment (continued)
- Reading: Performance-Based Assessment Guide

### Week 5

#### **Tuesday, February 13**

- Reading Review
- Curriculum Design and Assessment (continued)
- Rubric Planning Sheet, Engineering Journal Booklets, Design Logs
- Reading: Performance-Based Assessment Guide

#### **Thursday, February 15**

- **Narrative Curricula Presentations**
- Technical Procedural Problem Solving PP
- **Assignment 3 - Technical Procedural Curriculum (Due March 1)**

## Week 6

### **Tuesday, February 20**

- Technical Procedural Problem Solving PP
- Reading: Handout - Writing a Technical Procedural STEM Problem

### **Thursday, February 22**

- Technical Procedural Design Challenge using Teacher Geek Materials

## Week 7

### **Tuesday, February 27**

- Technical Procedural Design Challenge (continued)

### **Thursday, March 1**

- Technical Procedural Curriculum Assignment Due – Presentations
- Using Blocks and Construction Toys for Teaching STEM PP
- Assignment 4 - Construction Blocks Curriculum Project (Due Thursday, March 15)
- Readings: [Using Block Play](#) and [Blocks as a Tool for Learning](#)

## Week 8

### **Tuesday, March 6**

- Reading Review
- Keva Maze Design Challenge
- [KEVA Resources](#)

### **Thursday, March 8**

- Construction Block Curriculum Team Development

## Week 9

### **Tuesday, March 13**

- Construction Block Curriculum Team Development

### **Thursday, March 15**

- Construction Block Curriculum Presentations
- Lego WeDo Robotics – Bring laptops to class

## Week 10

No Class - Spring Break – March 19-23

## Week 11

### **Tuesday, March 27**

- Lego WeDo Robotics – Bring laptops to class

### **Thursday, March 29**

- The Quick Challenge PP
- Quick Challenge Sample
- Quick Challenge Checklist
- Assignment 5 - Quick Challenge Project (Due Thursday, April 5)

## Week 12

### **Tuesday, April 3**

- Quick Challenge peer review
- Introduction to Electricity
- Reading: Chapter 1: [http://www.allaboutcircuits.com/vol\\_1/index.html](http://www.allaboutcircuits.com/vol_1/index.html)
- Building electrical circuits
- Assignment 6 - Electricity Curriculum Project

### **Thursday, April 5**

- Building electrical circuits– Lab day

## Week 13

### **Tuesday, April 10**

- Building electrical circuits– Lab day

**Thursday, April 12 - No Class – International Technology and Engineering Educators Conference, Atlanta, GA**

## Week 14

### **Tuesday, April 17**

- Building electrical circuits– Lab day

### **Thursday, April 19**

- Electricity Curriculum Assignment Due – Presentations
- Introduction to Paper Engineering
- Assignment 7 – Paper Engineering/Pop-Up Card Project (Due Thursday, April 26)

## Week 15

### **Tuesday, April 24**

- Paper Engineering

- Pop-Up Card Assignment

**Thursday, April 26**

- Pop-Up Card Assignment Due – Presentations
- Scientific Inquiry and Engineering Design – Using scientific evidence to inform design
- Final Project

**Week 16**

**Tuesday, May 1**

- Scientific Inquiry and Engineering Design – Using scientific evidence to inform design

**Thursday, May 3**

- Scientific Inquiry and Engineering Design – Using scientific evidence to inform design

**Final Exams**

**T/TH - 12:30-1:45 - Thursday, May 10, 2018 – 12:45 – 2:45 – Final Project Due - Presentations**