Teaching in the Middle School – C965

Overview
Teaching in the Middle School examines the guiding principles and best teaching practices for educating middle school students. The course explores the history of the middle school, the philosophy, theory, and rationale behind middle school organization; and the differences between elementary, middle, and secondary schools. The course also examines the unique needs of middle school students and teaching methods used to meet the needs of these learners. This course has no prerequisites.

Competencies
- History and Philosophy of Middle Schools
  The graduate examines the evolution of school structures, theory, and educational philosophy to understand how the middle school environment is different from the elementary, junior high, and high school environments.
- The Middle School Setting
  The graduate evaluates various models of middle school organization to determine how each meets the developmental needs of early adolescents.
- Best Practices for Middle Schools
  The graduate analyzes supportive age-appropriate best teaching practices that move middle school students toward independence and prepare them to be successful lifelong learners.

Learning
Getting Started
Welcome to Teaching in the Middle School! In this course you will learn about the principles that guided the foundation of middle schools and best practices for educating middle school students. This course is delivered in the WGU module-based learning platform, which incorporates readings and a variety of interactive learning components. For the best experience, we recommend completing the modules in order, according to the provided pacing guide. Your competency will be demonstrated by successful completion of an objective assessment.

Assessments
- Teaching in the Middle School
  STATUS: Not Attempted
  # OF ITEMS: 60
  TIME ALLOCATED: 120 minutes
  CODE: PEEO
  TAKE NOW

- Objective Assessment: Teaching in the Middle School
  STATUS: Not Attempted
  # OF ITEMS: 60
  TIME ALLOCATED: 120 minutes
  CODE: EEO1
  TAKE NOW

A score of Competent or Exemplary is required to pass all assessments. Passing a preassessment does not guarantee you will pass the high-stakes assessment. On objective assessments, you will be charged a retake fee for the third attempt and every attempt thereafter. For more information, click here.