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Textbooks: Suggest textbooks that align with Module 1



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We have extracted 2 examples of faculty's textbooks that they have used with Module 1 from a prior discussion. If you have used a textbook that aligns well with Module 1, please share by clicking on the "Add Comment" button.

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Textbook Suggestions

I am teaching a course entitled "Early Intervention for Young Children with Special Needs" and use two texts: Building Blocks for Teaching Preschoolers with Special Needs (Brookes Pub/ Sandall & Schwartz authors) AND Blended Practices for Teaching YOUNG Children in Inclusive Settings (Grisham-Brown et al./ Brookes Pub.). I was pleased to see the congruence between these texts and Module 1. In fact, the Building Blocks text is cited on a number of occasions in the module activities etc.

I like both books but my students find the Blended Practices text less "readable" so I'm always keeping an eye out for other options.

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I'm going to go out on a limb here and confess that for the last two courses I have taught on-line, I have ended up ditching traditional texts. There are so many on-line resources (CONNECT is a prime example) that deliver good content, and I have found that using a text tends to restrict my creativity and what seems to me like the most logical sequence of content, and students have complained about "too much work" if I have them reading text, and doing web explorations, and watching videos, and

doing field related experiences. I like to keep the course interactive, one of the reasons I really like these CONNECT materials, but I have to be reasonable in my time expectations for students.

This term, for my ECEE 248 class - Children with Disabilities and Their Families, I'm using The Inclusive Early Childhood Classroom, by Gould and Sullivan, but it's really more of a reference/resource of ideas for adapting and modifying. I also have students read The Elephant in the Playroom, by Denise Brody. It's a collection of essays written by parents of kids with disabilities -some pretty powerful stuff.

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