HONG KONG BAPTIST UNIVERSITY COURSE OUTLINE

1. COURSE TITLE

Language in Education

2. COURSE CODE

ENGL4045

3. NO. OF UNITS

3 Units

4. OFFERING DEPARTMENT

Department of English Language and Literature

5. PREREQUISITES

ENGL2005 Introduction to the Study of Language

6. MEDIUM OF INSTRUCTION

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7. AIMS & OBJECTIVES

- 1) To help students grasp the essential charcteristics of children's developing communicative competence at home and school;
- 2) To demonstrate the variations in the level and profile of language development depending on home conditions;
- 3) To enable understanding of the role language plays in school functioning and in learning;
- 4) To enable analysis of educational discourse, whether from the oral conduct of classes, the printed school texts, or, student writings; and
- 5) To familiarize students with the basic policies on language in education.

8. COURSE CONTENT

- I. Language Development
- II. Socialization and the Transition to School
- III. The Acquisition of Literacy
- IV. Language Across the Curriculum
- V. Language in Education Policies

9. COURSE INTENDED LEARNING OUTCOMES (CILOs)

CILO	By the end of the course, students should be able to:			
CILO 1	Articulate the relationship between language and education			
CILO 2	Analyse the structure and language of common text types in education			
CILO 3	Analyse the multimodal features of educational texts			
CILO 4	Criticize the inequality in educational texts			
CILO 5	Examine the conversational structure of classrooms			
CILO 6	Conduct research on educational texts and classroom interactions			

10. TEACHING & LEARNING ACTIVITIES (TLAs)

CILO alignment	Type of TLA			
CILO 1	Group discussions and in-class reporting of the relationship between language and education			
CILO 2	Group discussions and in-class reporting related to common text types in education			
CILO 3	Group discussions and in-class reporting that analyze multimodal features in educational texts			
CILO 4	Research and write a term paper or prepare and present a group presentation that critiques inequality in language planning and education			
CILO 5	Group discussions and in-class reporting about conversational structure in classrooms			
CILO 6	Research and write a term paper or prepare and present a group presentation that reviews and critiques educational texts and classroom interactions			

11. ASSESSMENT METHODS (AMs)

Type of Assessment Methods	Weighting	CILOs to be addressed	Description of Assessment Tasks
Coursework	20 %	2, 3, 5, 6	Written review of educational texts and/or of classroom discourse.
Coursework	40 %	1, 4, 6	Term paper or group presentation.
Examination	40 %	1, 2, 3, 4, 5	The final examination assesses students' abilities to relate the use of language in an educational setting.

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