

**Bemidji State University**

**Spring 2025**

**Field Experience Fact Sheet**

**ED 3202 Language Arts II**

**Dr. Kathrina O’Connell**

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| **Course Name/Number** | ED 3202 Language Arts II |
| **Expectations of Student** | * Complete the school’s background check as soon as you receive your placement. * Complete **25 hours of field experience, throughout the semester, during language arts instruction time only**. The student should review the course schedule and field experience assignments and plan a schedule with their classroom teacher. Additional classroom time is encouraged. * Actively engage with students (e.g., talk with them, help with questions they may have). * Support the classroom teacher (e.g., take attendance, conduct small-group stations, read-aloud to students, correct assignments). * Bring a diverse/inclusive picture book with you and be prepared to read it aloud each day. Read aloud a diverse picture book at least once, but whenever possible. * Conduct a reading conference with a striving reader. * Teach your writing lesson plan. * If you have questions about any FE assignment, email Dr. O’Connell ahead of time. |
| **Field Experience Hours** | * Teacher candidate will complete **25 hours** of field experience **during language arts instructional time (e.g., reading, writing)**. Any missing time will be made up on Mondays or Fridays since there are no ED courses those days. |
| **Expectations of Teacher** | * Allow the teacher candidate to read aloud to your class, teach a lesson, conduct a reading conference, and observe your instruction. * Please mentor the teacher candidate and be willing to share information about the literacy resources, routines, procedures, and assessments used in your classroom. Kindly provide feedback on their writing lesson. * Approve teacher candidate’s time, as emailed to you through SL&L * Complete a 3-minute online dispositions survey on the teacher candidate(s). The link will be emailed to the host teacher at the end of the semester. Sample form on next page. |
| **Course Instructor(s)  & Contact Information** | Dr. Kathrina O’Connell  [kathrina.oconnell@bemidjistate.edu](mailto:kathrina.oconnell@bemidjistate.edu)  218-234-8452 |

**Students: Give a Fact Sheet to each of your cooperating teachers.**

Dear Field Experience Cooperating Teacher:

Thank you for hosting a BSU teacher candidate!

We use an online tool, SL&L by Watermark, to track and manage data we need for our program and for teacher licensure. You will be asked to do two things in SL&L:

1. Your teacher candidate will record in SL&L the hours they spend in your classroom. Then, you will go into SL&L and verify those log hours.
2. Near the end of the semester, please complete the brief teacher candidate disposition form in SL&L regarding the candidate’s dedication/responsibility, compassion, curiosity, and integrity during their field experience with you. This information allows us to identify and address any dispositional concerns before the teacher candidate begins student teaching. This data will also be utilized to inform change in our teacher preparation program. It should only take a few minutes to complete the form.

Instructions for how to access SL&L can be found here: <https://www.bemidjistate.edu/offices/teacher-education/student-resources/sll-by-watermark/>

**I**f you have any questions or concerns regarding field experience or the student placed with you, or if you are experiencing technical difficulties with SL&L, please email [teaching.clinicals@bemidjistate.edu](mailto:teaching.clinicals@bemidjistate.edu) and we will get your message to the right person.

Thank you for opening your classroom and taking a future educator under your wings!

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