



University Extension  
Professional Studies

# CREATE AN ENGAGING LEARNING ENVIRONMENT

## Specialized Study Program in Online Course Design and Instruction



The widespread need for virtual classrooms isn't likely to go away anytime soon, and teachers of all levels can benefit from either an introduction to or reinforcement of online course design. Rather than enrolling in a lengthy professional development program, get started with focusing on what you think you'd benefit from the most.

Learn how different learning environments impact the way that students learning. Use a storyboard to understand how you will structure, design, and deliver to your online classroom. Discover assessment methods appropriate for online learning and ways to measure success, particularly through quiz questions, rubrics, and peer assessment. Use the Canvas LMS to develop a course using tools like slides and collaborative activities, then present your course to your program peers to get actionable feedback. Create your own set of best practices for online teaching along with a strategy for assessment and a philosophy for the virtual classroom. Then put it altogether by delivering your course in a virtual session to your class' peers to understand how the pieces fit together and how your class will flow. Use your collected, tested knowledge about online teaching to apply immediately to your own classroom and prepare yourself for teaching confidently in any environment.

### WHAT YOU'LL LEARN

Differences between online learning and face-to-face learning, as well as synchronous and asynchronous learning

Introductory and advanced types of assessment methods

Methods for using the Canvas LMS to develop and deliver course content

Practice delivery of an online course, including developing best practices and using rubrics and discussion board responses for instructor feedback

 TOTAL UNITS  
6

 TUITION  
\$1,190

 COMPLETION TIME  
6 months

 FORMAT  
Online



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## BENEFITS OF EARNING A CERTIFICATE

There are several reasons why, Bachelor's degree in hand, you might be considering continuing your studies. An upgraded education section on your resume can open the door to a new career, or, if you're already working, lead to a promotion and a higher salary. While you're working, going back to school is an excellent way to stay current in rapidly changing fields, or, if you've been away from the workforce for a while, to quickly get caught up in the latest trends, concepts, and advances.

While there are as many paths to follow, as there are reasons to follow them when approaching continuing education, there is enormous value in terms of time, financial investment, and personal flexibility while gaining practical training from working professionals in your industry that extends beyond the theory of the classroom and into the real world.

### KEY BENEFITS INCLUDE:

- UC quality curriculum
- Professional endorsements
- Schedule flexibility
- Variety of courses and programs
- Instruction from professional leaders in the industry

## PAY AS YOU GO



Pay per individual course  
as you register.

AVERAGE COURSE TUITION  
**\$545-595 PER (3 UNIT) COURSE**

\*Learn more about [tuition assistance](#).

## CAREER INFORMATION



### IN-DEMAND FIELD

Jobs are projected to grow at a rate of 13% over the next 5 years.



### STRONG EARNING POTENTIAL

Median Salary **\$83,245**



### VARIETY OF JOBS TO CHOOSE FROM

- Teacher
- Instructor
- Educator



### SKILLS FOR SUCCESS

- Instructing
- Critical Thinking
- Monitoring



### REALITY CHECK. WHAT YOU WILL DO ON THE JOB.

- Establish and enforce rules for behavior and procedures
- Instruct students individually and in groups, using various teaching methods
- Establish clear objectives for all lessons, units, and projects
- Communicate objectives to students
- Guide and counsel students with adjustment or academic problems, or special academic interests

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## STUDY PLAN

Our certificate programs are designed to be flexible, allowing you the option to take just a few courses or earn the complete certificate. If choosing to complete the certificate, we recommend you get the most out of your experience by following the suggested completion path below.

Required Courses		
QUARTER		UNITS
1	Instructional Design for Online Courses <a href="#">EDUC X409.1</a>	3
	OR	
	Effective Assessment in Online Courses <a href="#">EDUC X409.2</a>	3
2	Tools and Techniques for Online Course Development <a href="#">EDUC X409.3</a>	3
	OR	
	Successful Online Teaching <a href="#">EDUC X409.4</a>	3

## ARE YOU READY FOR YOUR NEXT STEP?

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