Registration Information

Register for Learn Advanced Teaching Certification for Original using our online Training Registration Center at http://trainingcenter.blackboard.com. Enrollment in each course is limited, so early registration is encouraged. Registrants will receive a welcome email from the facilitator on the morning of the course start date with all necessary information. If you have any questions regarding course access, please contact Blackboard Training at training@blackboard.com. Please note that registration for this course closes ten days after the listed start date.

Course Overview

In this six-week facilitated online course, you will explore the tools and features that help monitor and evaluate student performance; learn about the advanced collaboration tools available; and discover new strategies for effectively designing, organizing, and presenting content to increase student success. The course is divided into three main areas: Monitoring Student Performance, Building Online Communities, and Designing Engaging Content. Topics include:

**Monitoring Student Performance**
- Before the Course Begins
  - Preparing for Success
  - Reviewing Settings
- Setting Up the Grade Center
  - Grade Center
  - Grading Periods
  - Creating Columns
- As the Term Progresses
  - Retention Center
  - Working with Grades
  - Troubleshooting Student Performance

**Building Online Communities**
- Online Communities Overview
- Making the Most of Discussions
- Journals and Blogs
- Working with Wikis
- Collaborating with Groups
- Evaluating Students

**Designing Engaging Content**
- Plans and Possibilities
- Prepare Your Content
- Create Your Lesson
- Customize Content Delivery

You will work independently and collaboratively to investigate the opportunities and challenges of online teaching. Activities are completed in three separate Blackboard courses. The main course, in which you are a student, contains all the class readings, discussion activities, and assessments. You are an instructor in two additional courses to complete hands-on activities. The Development Course provides an area to complete assigned course development activities. The Practice Course contains mock student data to facilitate course management practice.

Course Objectives

**Monitoring Student Performance**
- Identify tools and strategies for monitoring student performance.
- Use the review status feature to encourage student accountability and continued progress.
- Efficiently manage grades throughout the term.
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- Use the inline assignment grading feature.
- Explore the Retention Center which is used to provide notifications based on the specific needs of your course.
- Use the Performance Dashboard to identify students who may need additional assistance.
- View and interpret performance-related reports and statistics.
- Identify strategies for improving student success in the online environment.

Building Online Communities
- Identify several examples of online communities, their potential environments, and the tools that help build collaboration.
- Identify best practices for designing discussion questions, and choose question styles and types to help you achieve your goals.
- Describe how you can use journals, blogs, and wikis in the online setting.
- Learn how to grade journal, blog, and wiki assignments.
- Explain the benefits and challenges of student collaboration.
- Select group members and group tools based on the group deliverables and your course outcomes.
- Examine how best to evaluate students in the collaborative environment.

Designing Engaging Content
- Identify tools and strategies for presenting user-friendly content online.
- Edit existing content to better meet the needs of online learners.
- Demonstrate ways to address diverse learning styles in content delivery.
- Organize, plan, and develop an exemplary lesson.
- Incorporate interactivity to engage students and go beyond text-heavy lessons.
- Individualize instruction using adaptive release to control how and when students view content.

Who Should Attend
Instructors, faculty, course designers, administrators, and support staff who will be teaching or supporting blended or fully online courses using Blackboard Learn Original Course View.

Duration and Costs
- Course is six weeks in length
- Participants should expect to spend approximately 30 hours to complete the course activities
- Participants are asked to budget their time to complete the course during the six-week course duration
- $995 USD per person
- Printed or online materials do not need to be purchased for this course
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Location
- Fully online
- Asynchronous (participants do not have to be online at a specific time of the day)

Prerequisites
- Newer versions of Internet Explorer, Firefox, Safari, or Chrome Browsers.
- Email and high speed Internet access
- Basic computer navigation and web browsing skills
- Materials from a traditional or online course to be used in development activities or a topic with which you are familiar. Our focus is on learning to use the Blackboard Learn platform and not developing significant new course content.

Certification
The Learn Advanced Teaching Certification for Original introduces the pedagogy of online learning and presents best practices for teaching in web enhanced and distance education environments. Completing all course activities leads to a Certification Certificate.