In this five-week introductory professional development course, instructors learn different ways to engage online students and powerful practices for facilitating an online course. Through this instruction, faculty will also become familiar with different tools to engage learners. Online courses offer instructors and students a great opportunity to actively engage with course materials, regardless of one’s discipline. By the end of this course, you will have the pedagogical and technical skills to facilitate an online course. Developed by our most experienced online teaching faculty at Drexel, these courses have incorporated research-based best practices regarding how students learn in an online environment.

The Essentials course is open to all faculty, graduate students, and staff supporting online education and is facilitated by seasoned online teaching faculty serving as Online Learning Council Faculty Fellows. Please contact Dana Kemery at dck28@drexel.edu.

The University-wide trend is for faculty teaching online to become familiar with best practices associated with quality online course design. These best practices are associated with increasing student retention and faculty satisfaction with online education and have become increasingly important to accreditation bodies. This training is designed to help you master best practices in online course design. Dr. Jonathan Deutsch, Online Learning Council Faculty Fellow and certified Quality Matters Online Facilitator, will conduct the two-week workshop. It is fully online and asynchronous, and open to any faculty members, graduate students and staff supporting online education.

The maximum capacity is 20 people. Please contact Jonathan Deutsch at st96d633@drexel.edu.

For those who have completed the Essentials of Online Teaching, this course extends the emphasis on student engagement and interactivity to the design and development of engaging learning environments. During the advanced five-week course, faculty-students incorporate the Backward Design model of instructional design to construct portions of what will become a revised online course adhering to Quality Matters Standards™ of course design. Engagement is accomplished using collaborative cross-disciplinary learning. Moreover, participants will learn and integrate the principles of Universal Design.

The Advanced Pedagogy and Instructional Design course is facilitated by seasoned online teaching faculty serving as Online Learning Council Faculty Fellows. Please contact Deirdre McMahon at dhm33@drexel.edu.

Registration is on a first-come, first-served basis. To register, visit:
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