

"I was able to come in with a pedagogical problem, think through that problem with a fantastic group of peers, get quality feedback, iterate, and leave with a tangible solution that I was able to integrate into the design of my course."

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Gain a Better Understanding of the Components of Effective Blended and Online Learning

How did you hear about the OLC Advanced Online Teaching Certificate Program?

I know some colleagues who have taken courses and workshops with the OLC.

Also through email - the OLC is really great at sending out informative and interesting updates.

Why the need/interest in the OLC Advanced Online Teaching Certificate Program?

There are a lot of people working in the fields of educational technology and instructional design, so I really wanted to connect with like-minded individuals striving to learn and share. My hope was to be able to have a place to talk through ideas and strategies, giving and getting feedback, enabling all of us to raise the bar on what's possible.

How did the program help you in your position/career?

I'm not yet sure, as I'm already working in the industry. I am quite confident, however, that being a part of the OLC community will pay off in the future, as I meet more great people, learn more, and apply what I'm learning to my teaching.

To whom and why you would recommend the program?

I would recommend this course to instructors who want to better understand the components of effective blended and online learning. There are many moving pieces to effective design, so this course is a great place to see all of the pieces and examine/discuss how they interact.

I would recommend this course to edtech professionals and instructional designers who need to work with those instructors. Even if you're experienced, there's a lot here for you to learn and take back to your institution or organizations. The course is structured for you to go as deeply as you want to go - it's all up to you.



TOP PROGRAM BENEFITS

- I was able to think through and troubleshoot a new form of video feedback for my students, and the feedback that I received from my facilitator and colleagues really made a difference!
- I now have a broader network of online instructors that I can go to, and who can come to me, to think through and discuss ideas.

- The resource library in the course is great - a wonderful place to go to for ideas and research materials.

About Michael

I am a part-time teacher and a full-time educational technologist/instructional designer, passionate about helping teachers and veterans through the effective use of technology and good design. I've been at Columbia since 2006 - studying, teaching, and working in the field; it's been a wonderful opportunity for me to see teaching and learning from several different perspectives.

I'm currently at the Columbia Center for Veteran Transition and Integration, where I'm able to use my education and experience to help transitioning veterans through the design/construction/support of online courses and training programs.

"The OLC bridges theory and practice exceptionally well."



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