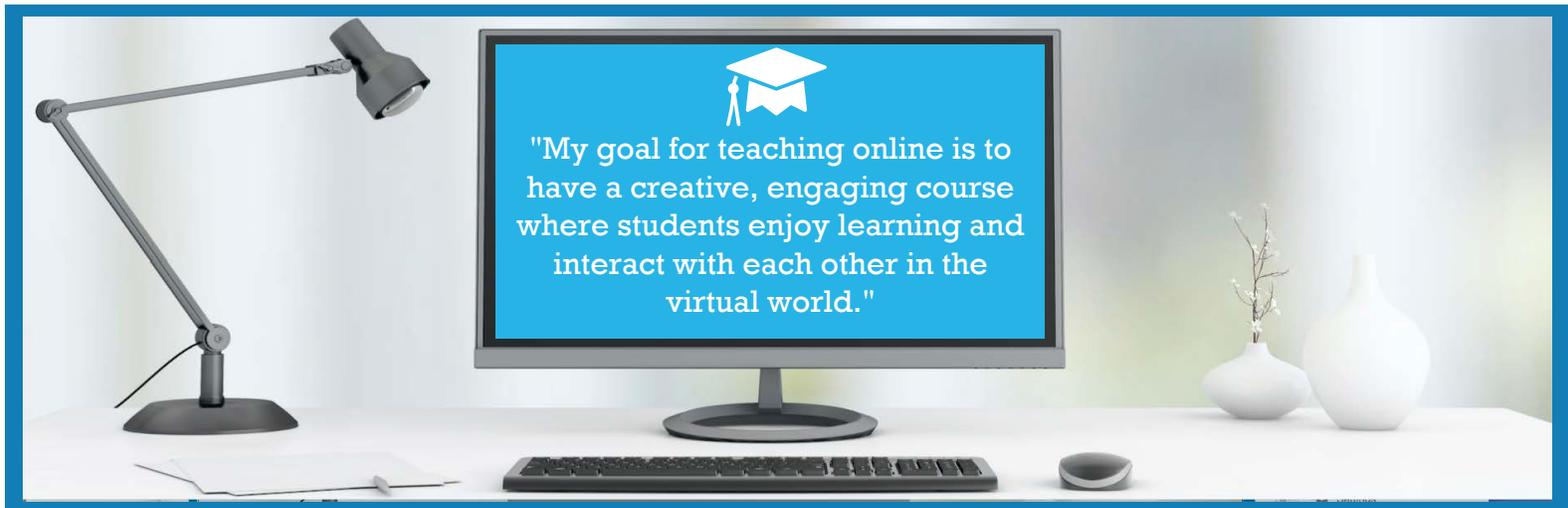


"The OLC Online Science Labs Mastery Series Program was engaging, inspiring, and helped me feel connected."

Natalie Zayas Delgado, Faculty, California State University, Monterey Bay



Mastering Science Labs in the Virtual Classroom

How did you hear about the OLC Online Science Labs Mastery Series Program? I received an email about the OLC Online Science Labs Mastery Series Program. After attending an OLC Conference, I started receiving OLC Institute for Professional Development course information by email.

Why the need/interest in this OLC Mastery Series Program? OLC has a positive reputation in the virtual world of education. The Online Science Labs Mastery Series was exactly what I was looking for. I wanted to learn and develop new ideas to add depth to my online lab course. The OLC Series not only exposed me to new ideas, but allowed me the time to research, develop, and try new ideas for online labs. This series was the perfect fit for me and my needs.

How did the program help you in your position/career? The program helped me add a variety of online labs to my course. While taking part in the OLC Mastery Series, I feel that I learned how to deepen the educational experience for students taking the course.

I have taught at CSUMB in the Dept. of Natural Sciences for 16 years. I began teaching a course as a hybrid in 2005. A few years later the course went 100% online and I have been teaching and revising it since then. My goal for teaching online is to have a creative, engaging course where students enjoy learning and interact with each other in the virtual world. I hope to continue teaching online and increase the number of courses that I teach in the future.

TOP OLC MASTERY SERIES BENEFITS

- > Discovered ideas for labs to implement into my course
- > Focused time to read more on course topic
- > Dedicated time to create labs
- > Created a website with my ideas for future reference
- > Received a Mastery Series Certificate from OLC

The courses I teach are better as a result of this series and students are learning and enjoying their learning. In my career, the course I teach is seen as a strong online course, which allows me to continue teaching it. I hope to continue teaching online and to expand my horizons to teach other courses online as well.

To whom and why you would recommend the OLC Online Science Labs Mastery Series Program? I would recommend the OLC Online Science Labs Mastery Series Program to all instructors teaching online or who are considering it.

About Natalie



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