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Blended Learning: Digital Teaching in Higher Education



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OUR WORLD IS CHANGING...SHOULDN'T YOU?



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About this programme:

As part of its endeavour to promote the scholarship of Teaching and Learning, and support digital and online teaching and learning methodologies, UTLO in partnership with UKZN Extended Learning is co-ordinating a range of modules offered under the academic development (UEIP) umbrella. The Digital Teaching Module is aimed at academic staff who are developing digital skills and knowledge in the use of technology to optimise teaching and learning and the provision of online academic curriculae for the University.

Higher Education is undergoing transformation globally, which with developments in technology is disrupting traditional teaching and learning methodologies. This programme is designed to optimise engagement between academic staff and students using technology to enhance teaching and learning.

How you will benefit. You will learn to:

- Develop online and digital teaching knowledge and skills in building capacity for education
- Conceptualise and work with pedagogical online and digital content and teaching methods
- Translate traditional curriculum content into digital-based learning offerings

Key focus areas:

- Introduction to Blended Learning
- Activated Classroom Teaching Model Overview
- Pedagogy of Curation - designing, organising and coordinating curriculum content
- Pedagogy of Conversation - optimising engagement and interaction between users utilising digital-age pedagogy
- Pedagogy of Correction - inculcating a mindset open to critique and analysis
- Pedagogy of Creation - encouraging creativity and innovation in teaching and learning
- Pedagogy of Chaos - using a non-linear approach with pedagogy
- Review and Assessment - latest developments in online assessment techniques

Who should attend:

Academic staff members who are keen to develop expertise in a critical development area of the academic genre

Entrance requirements:

A UKZN academic staff member with at least a continuous 2 year contract. Entry to the programme is voluntary, on a first come first served basis.

Facilitators include:



Dr Craig Blewett

Dr Blewett is a Senior Lecturer in the Discipline of Information Systems & Technology under School of Management, IT and Governance at the University of KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa. He has been involved in Higher Education for over 20 years and his interest is in the convergence of Educational theory and Technological platforms. He is currently lecturing postgrad courses in Computer Mediated

Communication (1st Semester) and Special Topics (2nd Semester). Both of these courses make extensive use of Web 2.0 technologies either as part of the course content and/or as part of the supporting teaching approach. The Special Topics course was the first course offered in South Africa that was entirely virtual and involved international lecturers and international virtual teams.

Dr Blewett one of the founders and Lead Researcher of the NextEd programme, which seeks to facilitate the development of a worldwide virtual collaborative educational network.

His primary research area is the application of technology, and more specifically Web2.0 technology, to learning and business.

Duration:

The programme will be offered on campus at UKZN, and will consist of:

- A Seminar to explain why a new approach based on pedagogy is needed and what is possible with a pedagogically-based approach to teaching with technology
- An online MOOC delivery module to learn the "how" - self-paced, MOOC-release module designed to support lecturers to learn how to teach in a digital-age pedagogy based way, over a period of three months. The online course (MOOC) requires approximately 6-8 hours per week over 8 weeks. Each week new content is released, however attendees can work through this content in their own time/pace during the week. All assessment is built into the course and takes place online.

Dates:

For updated start dates, please contact us or see our website: www.ukznextendedlearning.com

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