



# Why Learn?

Because we are lifelong learners!

GCC maintains a sufficient number of qualified DE faculty with appropriate preparation and experience to provide a learning environment necessary to support the institution's mission and purposes.

## How can OWL Benefit Instructors

- It nurtures our craft
- It keeps us relevant
- It adds value to our profession
- It augments our learning

OWL  
Online. Wired. Learning.  
an online learning community of practice @ GCC



## Community of Practice

a group of people who share a craft and/or a profession

GCC's Mission: ... Dedicated to the importance of higher education in an evolving urban environment, faculty and staff engage students in rigorous and innovative learning experiences that enhance and sustain the cultural, intellectual, and economic vitality of the community.

## Process

First-Time Certification - All faculty wishing to teach Distance Education must complete the "First-Time Certification Process"

### First-Time Certification Topics

Topics covered in First Time Moodle Learning Modules

Instructional Design for Course Type - Hybrid / Online Models 1hr



Regular & Effective Contact 1hr

Aligning Course SLOs and Exit Standards to an Online Environment 1hr



Use of Student Support & Resources 1hr

GCC DE Orientation 1hr



Accessibility 1hr

Upon the completion of the Certification Process, faculty will obtain 6 hours of FLEX credit plus 1 more hour of PRACTICUM activities in Moodle.

✓ Contact DE Coordinator to enroll at [ftorres@glendale.edu](mailto:ftorres@glendale.edu)



Additional Distance Education Workshops will be designed and offered throughout the semester to augment online learning environments. Look for OWL endorsed activities.

### First-Time Certification Waivers

Faculty who have taught online within the past 3 years MAY have their "First-Time Certification" requirements waived.

\*\*However, Staff Development requirements must be completed

#### 'First Time Certification' Waiver:

1. GCC Faculty who have taught online using Moodle for the past 3 years can forgo the "First Time Certification" but must complete Staff Development requirements. HOWEVER it is recommended to complete the "First-Time" Certification process.

2. Faculty who have not taught online but have taken the equivalent coursework within the past three years must submit proof of completion.

3. Faculty who have taught online within the past 3 years at another institution must complete GCC's Student Support & Resources and GCC's DE Orientation Training.

Division Chairs may contact the Distance Education Coordinator for assistance to determine the necessary qualifications to teach online. It is ultimately the decision of the Division Chair in assigning the faculty to teach a hybrid or online course.



Access



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### Staff Development Requirements for ALL DE Instructors:

Full-Time: 20% of the total required Staff Development hours must be focused on Distance Education

Part-Time: A total of 3 Staff Development hours must be focused on Distance Education

Look for OWL endorsed activities throughout the year.