



Graduate Credits

Professional Development

*Educational Explorations*TM

is an independent educational company and cooperative agency with Portland State University that provides research based, teacher-friendly, professional development strategies geared toward student success.

We offer graduate and undergraduate level credit courses, in-service workshops, consultations, and professional development presentations on topics timely to educators, which have a direct impact on student achievement. It is our goal to facilitate quality, pertinent programs for educators, with the option of earning graduate level credit through PSU.

Our teacher-friendly courses are designed with you, the busy educator, in mind.

Our motto:
“Our courses will make your job easier Monday morning!”

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“Providing strategies for student success”

IN SERVICE DAY

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2014

CLASSROOM BASED COURSES - SALEM

BUILDING EMPATHY: GUIDANCE STRATEGIES FOR UNDERSTANDING AND INTERVENING IN BULLYING BEHAVIOR

Discover how building empathy creates a supportive classroom climate; learn strategies that work in preventing and intervening in bullying behaviors. Course work will be individualized; participants will create a project that works in their unique setting.

Instructor: Shelley Penny

Meets: 8:30am – 3:30pm with online follow-up.

3 Graduate quarter credits available, 6 PDU seat hours

FROM STRENGTH TO STRENGTH: INSTRUCTIONAL STRATEGIES THAT BUILD ON THE NEURODIVERSE GIFTS OF EVERY STUDENT

Expand your practices of diversity to include students with diverse types of minds and learning styles. Explore strength-based approaches that promote true inclusiveness and actively change the culture of your school.

Instructor: Barbara Miller

Meets: 8:30am – 12:30pm with online follow-up.

3 Graduate quarter credits available, 4 PDU seat hours

INCLUDING STUDENTS ON THE AUTISM SPECTRUM

Learn about the unique educational needs of students on the autism spectrum. Explore strategies for including these students in general education classrooms.

Instructors: Betsy LaCroix; Barbara Avila; Guest speaker Jonathan Chase

Meets: 8:30am – 3:30pm with online follow-up.

2 Graduate quarter credits available, 6 PDU seat hours

INTEGRATING MUSIC INTO THE CLASSROOM

Understand the science and research supporting the integration of music and the neurological and creative benefits of music and learning. Discover ways to enrich curriculum with songs, games, and techniques, even if you have no musical talent!

Instructor: Melissa Jmaeff

Meets: 8:30am – 3:30pm with online follow-up.

3 Graduate quarter credits available, 6 PDU seat hours

MAKING CONTENT COME ALIVE: INTEGRATING GAMES AND INNOVATIVE EXERCISES FOR LITERACY, SENTENCE STRUCTURE, AND VOCABULARY BUILDING

Approach your lessons from a different perspective, one that emphasizes content and “the bigger picture” while still covering important skills and core standards. Learn to pace your classes, ways to effectively use games to reinforce learning, and have students connect to subject matter in are creative, memorable, and fun ways.

Instructor: Lesli Takasugi

Meets: 8:30am – 3:30pm with online follow-up.

3 Graduate quarter credits available, 6 PDU seat hours

The classes listed above are located at McKay High School,
2440 Lancaster Drive NE, Salem, OR 97305

All classes can be taken for PDU's or graduate credit.

**For further course details or to register online visit:
www.educationalexplorations.org**

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CLASSROOM BASED COURSES - PORTLAND & EUGENE

GRANT WRITING FOR EDUCATORS

2 Graduate quarter credits, 6 PDU seat hours. Instructor: Colleen Bauer
Meets one day, w/ follow-up online. Location TBA in the Tigard area. Time: 9am - 4pm.

INTEGRATED METHODS FOR STRUGGLING READERS TO BECOME SUCCESSFUL READERS (AND NOTHING LESS): 3RD – 12TH

2 Graduate quarter credits, 6 PDU seat hours. Instructor: Jill Schwimmer
Meets one day w/ follow-up online. Location TBA in the Eugene area. Time: 9am - 4pm.

STRATEGIES FOR THE COMMON CORE: READING AND WRITING ACROSS THE CURRICULUM

3 Graduate quarter credits, 6 PDU seat hours. Instructor: Dawn Nelson
Meets two days (2nd day May 10) w/ follow-up online. Location TBA in the Tigard area. Time: 9am - 4pm.

ONLINE COURSES

Register Anytime Fall Term

Enroll in one of our interactive online courses. Log in at your convenience; no special technology knowledge required.

All online courses have school based tasks relevant to your individual teaching assignment - no tests or required research papers, but rather conversations with other Oregon educators and the course instructor.

DIFFERENTIATED INSTRUCTIONAL STRATEGIES: TEACHER FRIENDLY WAYS TO ADDRESS THE NEEDS OF DIVERSE CLASSROOM POPULATIONS

2 Graduate quarter credits. Instructor: Barbara N. Miller

DIFFERENTIATION: SECOND STAGE

2 Graduate quarter credits. Instructor: Barbara N. Miller

DIFFERENTIATION THROUGH BRAIN-BASED LEARNING: EXPLORATION AND IMPLEMENTATION

3 Graduate quarter credits. Instructor: Barbara N. Miller

FROM STRENGTH TO STRENGTH: INSTRUCTIONAL STRATEGIES THAT BUILD ON THE NEURODIVERSE GIFTS OF EVERY STUDENT

3 Graduate quarter credits. Instructor: Barbara N. Miller

FUNDAMENTALS OF GRANT WRITING

3 Graduate quarter credits. Instructor: Michael Bloom

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3 Graduate quarter credits. Instructor: Lesli Takasugi

MUSIC, ART AND POETRY: USER-FRIENDLY ARTS-INTEGRATED TEACHING FOR LANGUAGE ARTS LEARNING

3 Graduate quarter credits. Instructor: Lesli Takasugi

NEURODIVERSITY: TEACHING AND EMBRACING THE COGNITIVE DIVERSITY IN STUDENTS

3 Graduate quarter credits. Instructor: Barbara N. Miller

PHYSICAL EDUCATION PLANNING FOR THE ELEMENTARY CLASSROOM TEACHER

2 Graduate quarter credits. Instructor: David Nickelson

PRESENTATIONS WITH PIZZAZZ

2 Graduate quarter credits. Instructor: Michelle Hollitz

RE-THINKING DISCIPLINE: ALTERNATIVES TO BEHAVIOR MANAGEMENT

3 Graduate quarter credits. Instructor: Betsy LaCroix

THE SENSORY SIDE OF LEARNING AND BEHAVIOR

3 Graduate quarter credits. Instructor: Betsy LaCroix

WEB 2.0 FOR K-12 EDUCATORS

2 Graduate quarter credits. Instructor: Michael Bloom

For further course details or to register online, visit: www.educationalexplorations.org

Costs:

Workshop only – attend day of class for seat hour PDU's: \$145

PDU Workshops – attend day of class and participate in online follow up

Two "credit course" workshops w/o PSU credit (equal to 20 PDU's): \$375 course fee

Three "credit course" workshops w/o PSU credit (equal to 30 PDU's): \$500 course fee

PSU Graduate Credits - attend day of class, participate in online follow up, and enroll for PSU credit

Two credit courses (equal to 40 PDU's): \$375 course fee and \$120 credit fee to PSU

Three credit courses (equal to 60 PDU's): \$500 course fee and \$180 credit fee to PSU



All courses are offered cooperatively by Educational Explorations™ and Portland State University, Continuing Education/Graduate School of Education. Enrollment is limited to 8 credits per term unless officially admitted to PSU (except Summer term when enrollment is limited to 16 graduate or 21 undergraduate credits). Cost of courses is below the PSU regular graduate tuition rate. First time PSU students pay a one time \$27 fee to create a PSU student account.