

PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

ONLINE INSTRUCTION ENDORSEMENT

Online learning is defined as the ability to learn in a virtual platform. It has become an expectation for K-12 institutions to provide online formats to students as our digital world evolves and traditional classrooms move to hybrid or online formats.

Educators are being asked to transition from more traditional methods of instruction to virtual formats that allow for flexibility, access, and innovation during societal interruptions (snow days, pandemic, natural disasters, etc.) and for families who require more personalized schedules.

This endorsement will provide the knowledge to address questions related to the field, as well as the skills needed to assist in the conversion of a classroom setting to online education. This endorsement focuses on the theories of distance education related to program design and development, delivery and strategies for online instruction, professional responsibilities, and assessment.

A field experience is incorporated into each course. All courses will be taught 100% online. Courses will incorporate asynchronous and synchronous learning opportunities for all learners. Once completed, the endorsement can be added to an existing PA Instructional Level 1 or 2 teaching certificate.



Educators seeking a Delaware Valley University/ PDE online instruction endorsement are required to complete **four courses (12 credits)** that focus on the development and application of the knowledge, attitudes, and skills necessary to provide online formats to students as our digital world evolves and traditional classrooms move to hybrid or online formats. The program is applicable to both elementary and secondary education.

TO APPLY: delval.edu/GradEdApply

- An official copy of undergraduate and graduate transcripts must be on file before your application will be reviewed.
- Candidates interested in adding the online instruction endorsement must possess a valid teaching certificate

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GE-6190 - DESIGN AND DEVELOPMENT OF K-12 ONLINE INSTRUCTION

This course will introduce candidates to the primary concepts and structures of effective online instruction. Through a variety of embedded projects, participants will design and deliver blended and online experiences that incorporate instructional best practices and pedagogy. Included in this course is: existing and emerging technologies, supporting student learning, engaging the online learner, diversity of student academic needs, and accommodations in the online environment. The delivery model of this course will be a blend of online synchronous and asynchronous work.

GE-6191 - DELIVERY AND STRATEGIES FOR TEACHING ONLINE

In this course, candidates will create and deliver lessons that incorporate a variety of strategies including active learning, application, interaction, participation, and collaboration in an online learning environment. Included in this course: Communication, setting expectations, providing feedback to students, and applying student accommodations into the online environment.

GE-6192-ASSESSING STUDENTS IN AN ONLINE LEARNING ENVIRONMENT

In this course, candidates will learn and understand the design and implementation of appropriate assessment of online learning that maintains and verifies academic integrity in K-12 online learning. Candidates will be creating and implementing assessments in online learning environments in ways that ensure validity and reliability of the instruments and procedures. Assessments, projects, and assignments that meet standards-based learning goals and assess learning progress by measuring student achievement of the learning goals will be covered. The course will review using data from assessments and other data sources to modify content and to guide student learning.

GE-6193 - EMERGING TRENDS AND PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES IN AN ONLINE TEACHING ENVIRONMENT

In this course, candidates will demonstrate knowledge and understanding of digital citizenship, legal issues with online education, and confidentiality procedures and protocols. Candidates will be reviewing policies and tools to ensure they are legal, ethical, and safe for use with students. Included in this course: professional interactions with students, colleagues, and parents around student success, organizing media and content, and effective instruction in an online environment.

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