

ACUE Online Course in Effective Teaching Practices

August 17, 2021 through May 15, 2022



Professional and Organizational Development (POD) is pleased to announce a continuing opportunity designed to enhance our campus commitment to faculty and student success. We are partnering with the Association of College and University Educators (ACUE) to offer its ***Course in Effective Teaching Practices*** to a limited number of faculty participants.

The ACUE Course prepares college faculty to use the evidence-based techniques shown to help students succeed and leads to a nationally recognized Certificate in Effective College Instruction endorsed by the American Council on Education (ACE). This course is approved for 54 hours towards Professional Growth Increment (PGI) and 6 hours Professional Growth Hourly (PGH) for Part-Time Faculty.

This opportunity to participate is offered at no cost to you or your department/division as it is funded through Title V, POD, and SEAP.

What is the focus of the ACUE course?

The ACUE effective practice framework includes 5 core competencies grounded in evidence-based research. Equity is the foundational principle of every unit. The course consists of 25 modules offered online in a cohort model with the guidance of Mt. SAC faculty facilitators. The course promotes teaching techniques for both face-to-face and online instruction across these four pillars:

1. Creating and Inclusive and Supportive Environment
2. Designing Student-Centered Courses
3. Promoting Active Learning
4. Inspiring Inquiry and Preparing Life-Long Learners

You can learn more about the Course and content of each module on the [ACUE website](#).

What is the Time Commitment & Course Timeline?

There are 25 modules. Average time commitment is 2-4 hours per module. The course schedule will be available on the Title V Grant [ACUE webpage](#) soon.

How will completing this ACUE course benefit my career?

- You will be able to integrate evidence-based teaching strategies into your classes
- You will earn 54 hours toward Professional Growth Increment (PGI) for Full-Time Faculty or 6 hours Professional Growth Hourly (PGH) for Part-Time Faculty.

- Upon completion of the course you will receive a Certificate in Effective Teaching Practices that is endorsed by the American Council on Education (ACE) and recognized nationally.
- You will earn digital badges for each successfully completed module and unit, which can be added to your curriculum vitae, used in your online teaching portfolio, and displayed on LinkedIn profiles or webpages as a sign of achievement.

Who can apply?

- Any full-time or part-time Mt. SAC faculty member is welcome to apply.
- Two cohorts of 30 faculty each will be selected, with the selection process including diversity in gender, department, and years of service.

How do I apply?

- Application open May 17 to June 21, 2021
- Apply online at: [Smartsheet Application](#)
- All applicants will be notified by June 30, 2021
- The two cohorts kick off on August 17th

Tell me about recent faculty/student success stories as a result of this ACUE Course

- “I’ve been teaching for 18 years and I have a Master’s Degree in Education. This course has reinvigorated my teaching.” *Kelly Coreas*
- “The ACUE course has impacted how I view my role as an instructor and facilitator, and now that I am equipped with additional effective teaching tools, I feel that my students will be the benefactors of this knowledge.” *Kambiz Khoddam*
- “This program has really helped me become a better teacher.” *Tanysha Laney*
- “One day we were encouraged to make the Discussion Board fun so I asked my students to share what truly makes them happy. It was the best interaction ever and brought the entire class together.” *Lizbet Sanchez*
- “This is the best course I’ve taken for professional development. I have always been focused on classroom discussions, but this course is allowing me to take it to a new level. I’m excited to be able to use these new techniques in the classroom, and I have been able to see the results instantly when I use them.” *Missy Cunningham*

Questions?

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