



Professional Development Unit Courses

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DESIGNING INNOVATIVE LEARNING SPACES

- **Item #2029111 - Full Day Face-to-Face Course:** Helps teachers collaboratively investigate, research, resources, and practice around creating and using student-centered learning spaces. Explore best practice and apply it to contexts. Prototype ideas for agile learning spaces and identify future plans.

Learning Objectives:

- Explore how physical space impacts student learning
- Develop a vision for their classrooms
- Access tools and structures for managing a flexible, student-designed classroom

CULTURE AND CLIMATE IN THE STUDENT-CENTERED CLASSROOM

- **Item #2029117 - Full Day Face-to-Face Course:** Explores research and examples of best practice in classroom culture. Time and space is included to develop personalized strategies to try out in classrooms, working as a cohort to brainstorm, ideate, and provide feedback.

Learning Objectives:

- Investigate the impact of climate and culture on learning
- Explore best practices in designing climate and culture to support and manage student-centered learning
- Identify practices that they will develop in their classrooms
- Access tools and resources for further development

INCORPORATING AUTHENTIC STUDENT VOICE AND CHOICE IN THE CLASSROOM

- **Item #2029116 - Half Day Face-to-Face Course:** Offers a variety of approaches that establish a culture of student voice and choice, as well as strategies for managing those structures in the classroom.

Learning Objectives:

- Explore how giving students choice impacts their learning
- Experience a variety of strategies for cultivating and managing choice-based activities and routines in the classroom
- Develop and curate activities, resources, and tools to use in your learner-centered classroom.

BUILDING A CULTURE OF COLLABORATION

- **Item #2029114 - Half Day Zoom/Skype or Face-to-Face Course:** Collaboration is at the top of the list of skills that 21st century employers look for. This workshop will provide teachers with an opportunity to do a deep dive into the competencies that are central to collaboration.
- **Item #2029115 - Full Day Zoom/Skype or Face-to-Face Course:** Teachers will also explore ways to build collaboration, and engage in a design challenge to outline how they will build structures for collaboration in their own classrooms.

Learning Objectives

- Explore information and resources around how to best cultivate and manage collaboration in the classroom
- Experience hands-on strategies they can implement to build collaboration
- Engage in a design challenge to create activities to implement in their own classroom context

INSTRUCTIONAL STRATEGIES FOR INNOVATIVE LEARNING

- **Item #2029113 - Online Course:** Innovative learning spaces require innovative instructional strategies, and vice versa. Experience a variety of instructional delivery methods that support student-centered learning and build 21st century skills.

Learning Objectives

- Explore instructional delivery methods that support innovative learning
- Investigate the connections between instructional strategies, design of the learning space, and classroom culture
- Design strategies to try out in their classrooms

Face-to-Face courses are meant for 20-25 participants, not to exceed 40. Face-to-Face courses are not offered in Canada at this time.

Pricing:

Online Course: \$2500

Half Day Virtual or Face-to-Face Course: \$2500, plus \$1200 for travel (Item #2010917)

Full Day Virtual or Face-to-Face Course: \$3500, plus \$1200 for travel (Item #2010917)



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