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34. Online Intercultural Education: How to Make It Work for You and Your Students

Research shows that while students don't develop interculturally merely through learning about and coming into contact with culturally different others, they can when we teach them within a developmental, experiential and holistic framework. We explore the roles technology can play in meeting two challenges: How can we best train students when we are not in the same physical space, and how can we meet the needs of the thousands of students who are not likely to develop interculturally without training?

Designed for: Educators who would like to increase understanding of design and deliver online intercultural learning that is developmental, experiential, and holistic.

Workshop Objectives

You will have the opportunity to:

- Understand and practice a four-phase intercultural learning and teaching process
- Learn to facilitate experiential activities that incorporate these phases into your own e-learning programs
- Understand why and how online learning has evolved in the past two decades
- Understand the role various innovations—peer learning, blended learning, and flipped classroom models—play in a current e-learning program

Learning Activities

- Explore different approaches to assessing e-learning
- Design a new, or adapt an existing, e-learning program for your own students



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