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Deals for Districts

OPEN NH offers Schools, districts, or SAUs a cost effective way to create online collaboration and use the power of online learning to support the professional development of their staff.

An application form and accompanying registration form are available for download on the OPEN NH website. www.opennh.org

\$1900 Course Delivery Scenarios

Scenario 1 The district requests one course to be delivered at a time of its choosing for 8 – 25 of its teachers.

Scenario 2 The district requests to add one course to a regularly scheduled session for 8 – 25 of its teachers during a regular OPEN NH session.

Scenario 3 The district requests 20 – 25 seats in one regularly scheduled single course offered during one of the regular OPEN NH sessions.

Scenario 4 The district requests 20 – 25 seats in the multiple courses during a regularly scheduled session of OPEN NH courses.

\$450 Course Delivery Scenarios

Scenario 5 The district requests seats in one regularly scheduled course offered during one of the regular OPEN NH sessions for 5 teachers.

Scenario 6 The district requests 5 seats in the multiple courses during a regularly scheduled session of OPEN NH courses.

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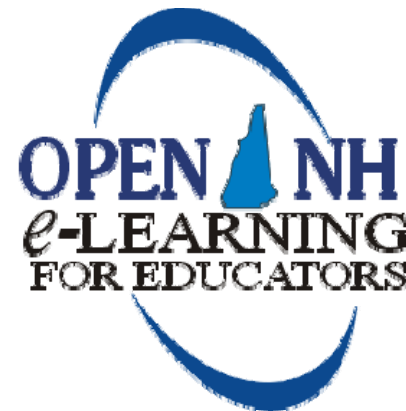


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Professional Development that Supports Literacy Development



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Convenient Course Delivery

Each course unit runs from Wednesday until the following Tuesday. The courses are divided into 7 units, beginning with an optional face to face orientation meeting and an online course orientation week. Weekly participation requires online readings, projects, tasks or assignments, and discussions. An internet connection is all that is required for access to the course. Because the courses are discussion driven, it is important to be present online regularly throughout the week and to participate in the discussions as they happen. Participants completing the course receive a certificate for 30 contact hours of course participation.

Courses Supporting Literacy Development

LA-07 Improving Reading and Writing in the Content Areas

In order to be successful in content area classes such as social studies, science, and mathematics, students must be able to read a variety of informational texts and produce written documents. This course will give teachers the tools they need to integrate literacy strategies into content learning to help raise student achievement. Participants will use the Literacy Matters web site as an anchor throughout this course for exploring instructional strategies. By the end of the course, participants will be able to locate web-based tools, strategies, and lessons that foster literacy skills in all content areas.

LT-01 Reading First: Supporting Early Reading Instruction with Technology

Participants in this course will discover the many ways in which new technologies can support classroom reading instruction in kindergarten through third grade. As they examine existing research on literacy technologies, participants will also review or familiarize themselves with the five areas of instruction discussed in the National Reading Panel's 2000 report on early reading: phonemic awareness, phonics, fluency, vocabulary, and text comprehension. The course will put special emphasis on evidence-based uses of technology for reading instruction.

LT-02 Supporting Literacy Development in Lower Elementary Classrooms

In this course, participants will explore how new technologies can support emerging literacy development in kindergarten through second grade. Participants will investigate tools and strategies that can help build phonemic awareness and facilitate the transition from invented spelling to English spelling. Participants will also explore strategies for integrating reading and writing with meaningful project-based activities, and experiment with software tools for publishing student work and creating class books.

LT-03 Supporting Literacy Development in Upper Elementary Classrooms

This course will help teachers and specialists that work with students in grades three through six to develop a technology-enhanced lesson that addresses national and local literacy standards and that connects reading and writing with other curriculum areas. Participants will experiment with technologies that can be used to develop vocabulary and facilitate each phase of the writing process, including concept-mapping, peer review, editing, and publishing student work. They will examine how the Internet can be used to foster reading-writing connections and to help students develop critical research skills. Participants will also be introduced to assistive technologies that can help students with special

needs learn to read and write independently. Participants will also discuss assessment strategies for technology-enhanced literacy projects.

LT-04 Helping Struggling Readers Improve Comprehension

Struggling readers and writers may have difficulty decoding text, comprehending, and conveying ideas through writing. This course focuses specifically on supporting the academic development of students who are competent decoders but who struggle to understand the meaning of what they read. We will explore the different types of comprehension difficulties students may face and will introduce a number of research-based strategies to improve comprehension skills.

LT-05 Accommodating ESL/ESOL Students in the Classroom

This course is designed for K-12 educators in all content and special education areas. Through this course, you will discover and create strategies to help your English Language Learners (ELLs) improve their reading, writing, speaking, listening and thinking skills in the content areas. The course will include an introduction to the linguistic and cultural issues faced by students who use English as a second language (ESL). You will learn how to use language accommodate to help students understand your content and the concepts you are teaching. A strong emphasis will be placed on the inclusion of all learners and the use of appropriate media.

LT-06 ESOL Literacy Development 1 – Reading

ESOL Literacy Development takes educators/administrators into the world of how second language (L2) learners acquire reading skills. Participants will gain a working knowledge of philosophies behind L2 reading acquisition, the role of culture, how the brain works during L2 reading acquisition, the five essentials of reading (phonemic awareness, phonological awareness, reading comprehension, vocabulary, and reading fluency), and assessments that are unbiased to evaluate reading skills. Educators will not only gain knowledge of how L2 learners acquire reading skills, but will also develop an in depth outline, including a mission statement that will provide as a guide to use in classrooms for L2 reading acquisition.

LT-07 ESOL Literacy Development 2 – Writing

Literacy is an active experience linked to personal and cultural identity. Being literate is not merely the acquisition of reading and writing skills; rather it is the ability to combine these skills to shape one's future. ESOL Literacy 2 – Writing takes educators/administrators into the world of how second language (L2) learners acquire writing skills. Participants will gain a working knowledge of philosophies behind L2 writing acquisition, the role of culture, the development of writing skills (pre-emergent, emergent, early, and fluent), and assessments that are unbiased in the evaluation of writing skills for L2 learners.

Our instructors are specially trained in online professional development course facilitation by the Education Development Center as part of the e-Learning for Educators Initiative.

Not all courses are offered each session. Other Courses may also be appropriate for your professional development needs. The complete list of course descriptions and schedules are available online at www.opennh.org.