

2009 Professional Development Program**Teaching and Learning in a Virtual Environment
(Professional Certificate)**

- Presenter:** Pam Wright
- Venue:** La Trobe University, Melbourne (Bundoora) Campus
- Mode of Delivery:** Blended learning: 2 hours per week on-line (75%); 10 hours of face-to-face workshops (25%).
- Dates:** On-line commencement and face-to-face dates to be advised
- Cost:** \$900 or \$1000 with assessment
- Prerequisites:** Reasonable skills in web page development with a sound knowledge of the principles of teaching and learning.
- Assessment:** Development of Curriculum Materials - 3500 words (or equivalent) (70%)
Online Reflective Journal - 1500 words (30%)
- Recognition:** If completed with assessment and appropriate academic pre-requisites for the specific award program, the Certificate is recognised by the Faculty of Education as equivalent to one 20 credit point unit of study for credit towards a Graduate Certificate, Graduate Diploma or Master program.

About the course:

The course aims to meet the needs of current or future teachers with an interest in virtual learning. It will present theories of virtual learning which then will be applied to students' own learning areas through the development of virtual curriculum materials.

Participants will develop pedagogies for teaching and learning in a virtual environment, together with moderating and facilitation strategies. They will explore instructional design, web design and emerging technologies for E-learning, including the design and application of appropriate assessment and evaluation strategies for teaching in a virtual environment. The course will enable participants to implement a range of communication tools to promote interactivity and student engagement.

- Readings:** Prescribed
Holmes, B & Gardner, J (2006). E-Learning concepts and practice. Sage.
Salmon, G. (2000). *E-moderating: The Key to Teaching and Learning Online*. Kogan Page
- Websites:** Australian Flexible Learning Framework: <http://www.flexiblelearning.net.au/flx/go>
Learning Light e-learning centre: <http://www.e-learningcentre.co.uk/>
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