

# Integrating Quality Matters into Online Faculty Development Program

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#### Context

In response to the growing needs and interests in quality online courses, the Online Learning office at the University of Southern Indiana (USI) initiated the Online Course Development Program (OCDP) to help faculty develop new online courses or redesign existing ones. Placing faculty development at the core, the program integrates Quality Matters (QM) standards, coupled with sound pedagogy to help participants think through the process of online course design and development.

### Goals

- Empower faculty to become self-sufficient in quality online course development and teaching
- Design and develop online courses that promote online student success
- Design and develop online courses that reflect the QM quality standards for teaching excellence
- Foster and promote the collaboration between faculty across colleges and disciplines



Specifications

- Stipend-based
- Duration: 8 12 weeks
- Hybrid & Fully Online
- Midterm & Final Showcase
- Weekly One-on-one Consultations
- Instructional & Technical Support
- Optional QM Workshop

## Program Overview Curriculum Preparation Blueprint Teaching Teaching Style Experience & Needs **Faculty** Program Student Voices & Faculty \_\_\_ Development Success Evaluation Feedback Lead Collegial & Incentives & Collaborative Rewards Recognition & Internal Celebration Review

#### Testimonials

"This was a great course! So much of it really applies to course development in general (not just online). I wish I had had something like this when I was just starting here."



--Dr. Ken Shemroske: Computer Science

"Although I have not taught online yet, the course (ODCP) has dramatically changed the way I organize my Blackboard sites and how I communicate with students."



--Dr. Oana Popesu-Sandu, English

"The program was so useful. I implemented many concepts I learned from the OCDP in my other courses"



--Dr. Kimberly Parson, Dental Hygiene

"It should be required to go through this program in order to teach an online course. That is how valuable the OCDP program is."



--Paula Harmon, English

"This program has made a big impact on the USI campus by improving faculty understanding of course design and delivery. It has also expanded faculty and student confidence in online learning as a viable option for degree completion."



--Lee Ann Shafer; BPS

