MACQUARIE University

Beginning to Teach Program

Program Outline

Beginning to Teach (BTT)* is an online teaching development program, designed for those with little to no experience of teaching. It draws on scholarship, academic expertise, and the experience of students, to introduce participants to concepts and issues that are key to getting started with teaching at university. Sessions explore perspectives on student learning, how to plan and facilitate a learning experience, and the basics of assessment and feedback. The program also gives participants the opportunity to plan and deliver a short ('micro') teaching session.

PROGRAM AIMS AND OUTCOMES

BTT aims to help participants develop their understanding of learning and teaching and build skills and confidence in planning and delivering a teaching session. At completion, participants will be able to:

1. Demonstrate understanding of some key aspects of learning, and how these inform teaching in higher education.

2. Plan, deliver and evaluate a short online teaching session that aligns aims and approach with learning outcomes.

3. Give and receive constructive feedback to colleagues regarding teaching and to students regarding their learning.

TIME COMMITMENT + COMPLETION REQUIREMENTS

The program runs over 4 weeks with total participation time of approximately 12 hours.

To achieve the program learning outcomes and meet completion requirements, participants are required to take part in at least three Zoom sessions, as well as attend and meet the requirements of the Practice Teaching session (see Module 4).

Participants will receive a Certificate on completion of the program.

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Schedule - February 2021			
#	**Module**	**Module dates**	**Zoom session held on:**
1	Introduction to teaching and student learning	1 - 5 February	Wednesday 3 February 10-12 noon
2	Planning and facilitating a teaching session	8 -12 February	Wednesday 10 February 10-12 noon
3	Introduction to assessment and feedback	15-19 February	Wednesday 17 February 10-12 noon
4	Trying it out: Practice teaching sessions*	22-26 February	***Friday** 26 February 10-12 noon

*Based on the UNSW Beginning to Teach Program for ECRs and HDRs

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