

Objective

Participants will leave the class with a theoretical and practical understanding of the learning theory of Connectivism and will complete and present a backwards-designed unit plan demonstrating elements of Connectivism paired with content of their choosing.

Standards Addressed

Effective Practices Standard III: Teachers plan and deliver effective instruction and create an environment that facilitates learning for their students Element c: Teachers demonstrate a rich knowledge of current research on effective instructional practices to meet the developmental and academic needs of their students

Technology Standard III: Teachers plan and deliver effective instruction and create an environment that facilitates learning for their students Element d: Teachers thoughtfully integrate and utilize appropriate available technology in their instruction to maximize student learning.

Reflection Standard IV: Teachers reflect on their practice Element a: Teachers demonstrate that they analyze student learning, development, growth, and apply what they learn to improve their practice

Course Outline and Dates

- Unit 1: Overview and OCCL Basics
 - Face to Face- October 5, 2016, 4:00-6:00pm, IT Copper
- Unit 2: Connectivism and Learning Theories
 - Independent Online Work due October 24, 2016
- Unit 3: The Networked Teacher
 - Independent Online Work due November 14, 2016
- Unit 4: Tools to Extend the Discussion
 - Webinar- December 8, 2016, 4:00-5:00pm
- Unit 5: Creating Personal Learning Networks
 - Webinar- January 18, 2017, 4:00-5:00pm
- Unit 6: Intro to Action Research & Time to Plan a Unit
 - Face to Face- March 6, 2017, 4:00-6:00pm, IT Copper
- Unit 7: Action Research Presentations
 - Face to Face- April 12, 2017, 4:00-6:00pm, IT Copper