

The Institute for Learning and Teaching

PROGRAM OVERVIEW:

The Graduate Student Teaching Certificate of Completion (GSTCC) Program offers CSU graduate students an opportunity to learn about, reflect on, and enact best practices in teaching at the post-secondary level. Participants will develop greater competence and confidence as current or future teachers by participating in a meaningful series of research-based professional development courses and workshops.

Program participants who successfully complete the requirements earn a Certificate of Completion that demonstrates their commitment to college teaching and can enhance their professional credentials on the job market. The program can be completed in 18-24 months and at no cost.

CERTIFICATE REQUIREMENTS:

Participants must satisfy the five program-specific learning outcomes highlighted below by completing four designated workshops and three Best Practices in Teaching (BPiT) courses (facilitated, asynchronous online three-week courses). You can choose one BPiT course for Learning Outcomes #1-3 from the options listed below.

LEARNING OUTCOMES AND HOW TO FULFILL THEM:

→ Learning Outcome #1: Inclusive Classroom Climate

Develop skills and confidence in creating a supportive, accessible, and inclusive classroom climate

- Take one of the following BPiT Courses: Inclusive Pedagogy, Classroom Climate, or Student Motivation
- → Learning Outcome #2: Inclusive Instructional Strategies

Use a variety of inclusive instructional strategies that engage all students, are accessible, and promote critical thinking

- Take one of the following BPiT Courses: Critical Thinking or Active Learning
- → Learning Outcome #3: Classroom Strategies

Identify and use classroom strategies that cultivate an effective, engaging, and productive learning environment

- Take one of the following BPiT courses: Planning an Effective Class Session or First Four Weeks.
- Take the workshop Classroom Strategies
- → Learning Outcome #4: Teaching Philosophy and Diversity Statement

Create a teaching philosophy and diversity statement informed by research-based practices

- Take all of the following workshops: Creating a Teaching Philosophy, Writing a Diversity Statement, Developing a Teaching Persona
- → Learning Outcome #5: Reflection

Recognize and appreciate reflection as a tool to refine future teaching practices

• This outcome is satisfied through successful completion of BPiT course Practice and Reflect assignments.

For more information and to enroll in the GSTCC Program, visit Graduate Student Teaching Certificate of Completion (https://tilt.colostate.edu/grad-students/gstcc/) or scan the QR code.