



INSTRUCTIONAL
DESIGN
AUSTRALIA

Foundations of Effective Instructional Design

This course gives a broad overview of the following topics.

1. Defining the Field of Instructional Design
2. Professional Ethics and Guidelines
3. Learning Theories
4. Learning Science
5. Designing technology-based learning resources
6. Introduction to Instructional Design Models

It is delivered through an online Learning Management System. The content consist of writings and images around the above six topics. Students have the opportunity to complete seven individual and group tasks to enhance the learning experience. This includes discussion forums, collaborative writing Wikis, a personal Blog, and submission of small assignments. Individualised feedback is given to students. It is anticipated that the course will take *six hours* to complete the reading and activities though students are given *one month* of access to the course; this allows ample time to make the most of the course materials and to work collaboratively with other students. The entire text is also available for printing.

This course espouses an eclectic approach to the instructional design process, gathering insight from both traditional and contemporary design models. The aim of the course is to facilitate a learning process that will give students a firm footing in the historical and scientific foundations of instructional design. It is designed for people who have done little or no instructional design before. It assumes that you are comfortable with computers and at least interested to discover web 2.0 technologies. We use the Moodle Learning Management System (LMS) and if you are not familiar with a LMS then, as an instructional designer, you need to be. Through this LMS you can access the course content, submit assignments, participate in online forums, collaboratively write in Wikis, reflect on your learning in your personal blog and receive the individual feedback that makes this course come to life.

The next course will start on the 4th February. Students will have access to the course material until the 4th March. The cost of the course is only \$350.

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