

About the Certificate on College Teaching

The Virginia Tidewater Consortium for Higher Education (VTC) offers the Certificate on College Teaching program to graduate students, part-time faculty and full-time faculty who want to learn more about teaching at the college level or improve their teaching skills. Participants obtain the Certificate on College Teaching by attending a series of seven (three-hour long) workshops dealing with important aspects of college teaching.

Preparation for the college classroom involves more than a solid base of knowledge in a discipline; it requires a systematic inquiry into the pedagogies and processes that facilitate learning. VTC's certificate program is grounded in the latest educational research of best practices in college teaching, and is designed to enhance the teaching and learning experiences for faculty and students at any institution. By providing participating faculty members with basic pedagogical techniques and support, they will be better prepared to assume their teaching duties and will be more productive in developing their research programs.

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How to Become Certified

Attend and complete these seven (7) VTC workshops on College Teaching

- **Teaching and Learning Styles**
Examine the various teaching styles and their impact on students. This workshop includes assessment of teaching and learning styles and methodologies to determine these styles.
- **Testing and Grading**
Learn basic testing techniques, types of test questions and ways to determine if teacher-prepared tests are valid. Participants will also evaluate tests and learn how to improve test questions.
- **Lecturing and Questioning Skills**
Learn various lecturing techniques, evaluate lectures that utilize these techniques and ask questions.
- **Student-Centered Learning**
Learn various methods to increase student participation and enhance student responsibility for his/her own learning. This workshop also discusses the advantages and disadvantages of student-centered learning.
- **Helping Students Retain Classroom Material**
Learn how to increase student retention of material through the use of advance organization, focused questions, clear objectives, etc., in a way that will allow the participant to apply techniques in their own classroom.
- **The Use of Technology in Teaching**
Examine the most current trends in technology use in the college classroom. This workshop also analyzes the effectiveness of various methodologies in practice.
- **Capstone Course**
Will cover various other issues in college teaching that aid the pedagogical effort.

Enrollment Form

Please complete and attach resume and payment.

Name: _____

Title: _____

Organization: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

Discipline: _____

Cost of Program: \$250.00

Make Checks Payable to:
Virginia Tidewater Consortium
P.O. # _____
Credit card (circle one) Visa MasterCard
Card Number: _____
Exp. Date: _____
Cardholder's Name: _____
Signature: _____

Enrollment form and resume may be sent by mail or faxed with payment to:

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How to Apply

To participate in the Certificate on College Teaching program, please send a resume to the Virginia Tidewater Consortium for Higher Education, along with the completed enrollment form on the reverse side of this page.

All applicants must commit to the series of seven workshops over the course of one academic year. The workshops will be held on Fridays from 1:00-4:00 pm and 5:00-8:00 pm. Check VTC's website for the exact dates. The cost of the Certificate on College Teaching program is \$250.00.

Space is limited, so sign up today! If you have any further questions or concerns, please contact a representative from the VTC Office at 757-683-3183 or by email at vtcreply@aol.com.

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