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More Information and Registration

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Prerequisites: Participants should have completed AVLN's Integrating Technology in the Curriculum or equivalent course (must be proficient with their available technology, such as Word, Excel, Access, PowerPoint, FrontPage or other web design program; all of these may not necessarily be used but may be incorporated into participant's projects).

This instructor-led course is completely online. It is organized around 6 weeks of discussion, experiences, and application assignments.

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Time Commitment: 6-8 hours per week

Course Syllabus

Recertification
Please note this course has been approved by TDEC for teacher recertification at both levels.

Cost: US$250 plus academic credit fees. If you decide to cancel, you must do so by the end of the first week of the class; otherwise you will be charged the full amount.

Andrews University Graduate Credit:

- Andrews University graduate credit is 2 semester credits. US$400 plus US$250 AVLN Course Fee.
- A transcript will be sent to you automatically upon completion of the course.

La Sierra Graduate Credit:

- La Sierra University graduate credit is 3 quarter credits. US$75 plus US$250 AVLN Course Fee.
- Plan to request a transcript from LSU a few months after completion of the course.

Course Objectives:

Participants will:

- Learn to function in an online course.
- Assess local technology availability
- Form a philosophical basis for incorporation of service learning into the curriculum
- Investigate current service learning projects and ideas
- Discuss ways to integrate technology through service AND the content areas
- Create a service learning project utilizing available technology, integrating content, and involving the community
- Discover possible funding sources
- Assess project for content standards, student technology
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What is required of me as a student?
You should be able to work independently and discipline yourself to complete work in within the timeframe given. The course is offered over eight weeks, and you'll need to commit to six to eight hours a week. Each week you will have assigned readings, various experiences to reflect on, and you'll discuss the readings and experiences with fellow participants.

I'm Ready To Sign Up. What Do I Need to Do?

1. Make sure you meet the prerequisites:
   - Do you have basic computer skills? Can you save a file and find it again?
   - Are you comfortable browsing the Internet? Do you regularly use email with a reliable email address?
   - Do you have consistent reliable Internet access throughout the duration of the course? (Note: special arrangements can be made for the summer if you are offline on vacation for no more than a week during the course.)

2. Do you have time for this course? Have you looked at your schedule and determined how you will get 6-8 hours in per week? The course is organized so that best participation includes an hour or two a day Monday through Friday, with the weekends used to catch up if necessary.

Payment:
   - Mail check to AVLN; 1001 White Cottage N.; Angwin, CA 94508
   - OR Pay with secure credit card payment online.
   - OR Supply contact information for your employer if your institution is paying.

Please make sure your check or verification letter from your employer arrives by the 2nd week of class. Otherwise, your login will be disabled until your payment arrives.

Withdrawal Refund
If you decide to cancel, you must do so by the end of the first week of the class; otherwise you will be charged the full amount.

Incomplete Policy
A participant must submit an incomplete request form before the end of the 4th week of class. Incomplete grades will only be granted in emergency situations beyond a student's control. Otherwise the participant will receive the grade earned.

Certificates and Grades
Please note that course certificates and grades will be sent only when it has been paid for and has been successful completed.

Note on Graduate Programs
AVLN classes are not part of a graduate program; therefore it is up to the student to determine if their university will accept AVLN classes towards a graduate program.

K12 Teachers Needing Credit for Recertification: Please note that all courses are offered ONLY for graduate credit now.

Register Now and also complete the Credit Form.

Note: Your registration is not complete until you receive a confirmation email and you have completed the Credit Form. Be sure to click through all the registration screens to confirm.

Need Help?
   - Email the instructor listed above or...
• Call 1-951-790-AVLN (2856)