



Professional Development Course Catalog

Inclusion/Differentiation

1359 - Brain-Based Learning: A Differentiated Approach to Meeting the Needs of 21st Century Learners

Description: This class is designed to show teachers how they can meet the individual needs of *all* students in their classroom while guiding them towards successful mastery of the content standards. Discussions include:

A step-by-step approach for implementing differentiated instruction into any classroom and the brain-based research to prove its effectiveness.

A culmination of research-based instructional and assessment strategies grounded in the fundamentals of Brain-Based Learning, Differentiated, and Standards-Based Instruction from educational leaders such as Sousa, Jensen, Wiggins, McTigh, McGregory, Dodge, Heacox, Vygotsky, Glasser, Guskey, and Stiggins.

Participants will receive a wealth of research-based instructional materials and ideas to use in the classroom, upgrade pre-existing units, and transform current instructional materials to meet the diverse needs of 21st century learners.

Registration fee: \$60 Out-of-District fee: \$120

Book fee: \$15

One (1) Graduate Credit Hour will be available at the cost of **\$140** through The University of Akron or **\$140** through Ashland University on the first day of class. 15 CEHs will be available at no charge.

Level: **Basic** Audience: **Teachers 6-12** Topic: **Inclusion/Differentiation** Hours: **15.00** College Credit: **Univ. of Akron/Ashland Univ.**

Section: 12-Winter

Presenter(s): **WSADD**

Register by: **01/30/2012**

Enrollment Limit: **15**

Meets on these dates:

1	02/06/2012	4:00 PM	7:30 PM	PROFESSIONAL	Lower Conference Rm.
2	02/13/2012	4:00 PM	7:30 PM	PROFESSIONAL	Lower Conference Rm.
3	02/21/2012	4:00 PM	7:30 PM	PROFESSIONAL	Lower Conference Rm.
4	02/27/2012	4:00 PM	7:30 PM	PROFESSIONAL	Lower Conference Rm.



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Reading

1349 - Fall 2011: Book Group

Description: Join our community of book lovers as we read and discuss literature. While the instructor selects the book for the first session, participants choose reading materials for the last three. In addition to whole-group book discussions, teachers engage in small- and large-group activities that reinforce skills, invite creativity, and broaden literary experiences. For each class session, participants need to bring the chosen book to class plus five (5) written discussion questions about the book. You must attend each session.

The class includes a working dinner at a nearby restaurant (or you may bring your own food). The first three sessions meet in the 1907 room (second floor) of the Medina library, and the last session meets in Community Room B of the library.

The first reading selection is Sarah Blake's *The Postmistress* (paperback). Remember to bring the book as well as the discussion questions you have created from your reading. Also, for the first class, please bring solid adult reading suggestions for the other sessions.

Registration fee: \$60 Out-of-District fee: \$120

One (1) Graduate Credit Hour will be available at the cost of **\$140** through The University of Akron or **\$140** through Ashland University on the first day of class. 15 CEHs will be available at no charge.

Level: **Basic** Audience: **All Staff** Topic: **Reading** Hours: **15.00** College Credit: **Univ. of Akron/Ashland Univ.**

Section: 11-Fall Presenter(s): **DULICH** Register by: **10/18/2011** Enrollment Limit: **14**

Meets on these dates:

1	10/25/2011	4:00 PM	7:30 PM	MEDINA LIBRARY	1907 Room (second floor)
2	11/22/2011	4:00 PM	7:30 PM	MEDINA LIBRARY	1907 Room (second floor)
3	12/06/2011	4:00 PM	7:30 PM	MEDINA LIBRARY	1907 Room (second floor)
4	12/20/2011	4:00 PM	7:30 PM	MEDINA LIBRARY	Community Room B



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Special Education

1350 - Response to Intervention

Description: RTI is a multi-tiered approach to help struggling learners and/or students with behavior issues. Student's progress is closely monitored at each stage of intervention to determine the need for further research-based instruction and/or intervention in general education. We will explore criteria for students to begin the process and theory behind the pyramid. You will be able to design your own pyramid, identify the learning or behavior problem, locate research-based interventions, implement the intervention, collect data, and make a presentation with graphs.

Registration fee: \$120 Out-of-District fee: \$240

Two (2) Graduate Credit Hours will be available at the cost of **\$280** through The University of Akron or **\$280** through Ashland University on the first day of class. 30 CEHs will be available at no charge.

Level: **Basic** Audience: **Teachers K-12** Topic: **Special Education** Hours: **30.00** College Credit: **Univ. of Akron/Ashland Univ.**

Section: 12-Winter Presenter(s): **EBEAL** Register by: **12/20/2011** Enrollment Limit: **15**

Meets on these dates:

Session	Date	Start Time	End Time	Level	Location
1	01/07/2012	8:00 AM	3:30 PM	PROFESSIONAL	Lower Conference Rm.
2	01/14/2012	8:00 AM	3:30 PM	PROFESSIONAL	Lower Conference Rm.
3	01/21/2012	8:00 AM	3:30 PM	PROFESSIONAL	Lower Conference Rm.
4	01/28/2012	8:00 AM	3:30 PM	PROFESSIONAL	Lower Conference Rm.

Teacher Resources

1358 - Refocusing and Regaining Your Passion for Teaching

Description: This class will reignite the fire within the teacher to be excited about the profession! An emphasis will be on reorganizing priorities and creating an atmosphere that creates renewed enthusiasm for being a part of the world's greatest profession - teaching! This class will present strategies for developing positive relations with students, peers, parents, and the school administration. Nine strategies will be presented for avoiding burnout, a common characteristic of educators. Teachers will also reflect on their career and what changes are needed. In addition to a holistic look at all aspects of the teaching profession, educational models found in Defour, Wong, and Marzano will also be examined.

Registration fee: \$60 Out-of-District fee: \$120

One (1) Graduate Credit Hour will be available at the cost of **\$140** through The University of Akron or **\$140** through Ashland University on the first day of class. 15 CEHs will be available at no charge.

Level: **Basic** Audience: **All Staff** Topic: **Teacher Resources** Hours: **15.00** College Credit: **Univ. of Akron/Ashland Univ.**

Section: 12-Winter Presenter(s): **DHAFT** Register by: **02/24/2012** Enrollment Limit: **20**

Meets on these dates:

Session	Date	Start Time	End Time	Level	Location
1	03/03/2012	8:00 AM	3:30 PM	PROFESSIONAL	Lower Conference Rm.
2	03/10/2012	8:00 AM	3:30 PM	PROFESSIONAL	Lower Conference Rm.



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Technology

1348 - Using Internet Resources in the Classroom

Description: Discover fun and easy ways to use the Internet to support curriculum standards. Experience interactive sites that could replace software. Work with sites to reinforce communication and information skills such as Google, wikis, blogs, Moodle, and virtual tours. Create lessons such as WebQuests and Internet Hunts.

Registration fee: \$60 Out-of-District fee: \$120

One (1) Graduate Credit Hour will be available at the cost of **\$140** through The University of Akron or **\$140** through Ashland University on the first day of class. 15 CEHs will be available at no charge.

Level: **Basic** Audience: **Teachers K-12** Topic: **Technology** Hours: **15.00** College Credit: **Univ. of Akron/Ashland Univ.**

Section: 11-Fall Presenter(s): **AEBERSOLE** Register by: **11/04/2011** Enrollment Limit: **15**

Meets on these dates:

1	11/12/2011	8:00 AM	3:30 PM	PROFESSIONAL	Computer Lab
2	11/19/2011	8:00 AM	3:30 PM	PROFESSIONAL	Computer Lab

1351 - SMART Board Back to Basics

Description: Learn how to use the Notebook software by building authentic learning applications ready to use inside the classroom. Build applications step-by-step by following along with instructor-lead and professionally produced video tutorials designed to support every step of the way to building Notebook applications. THIS IS A HANDS-ON WORKSHOP! Teachers will be actively engaged as they work through the different activities: orient the board, become familiar with the SMART Board toolbar, group two or more objects, lock objects, clone a page, clone an item, hyperlink, screen capture, attach files, navigate to another page, create shapes, and more. Participants will make their own lesson structure, first by searching for pre-made lesson ideas already available. (Web sites will be given to the class.) *Lessons must be interactive.* Download several lesson plans, then modify them to fit into your curriculum. Once you have seen a number of lessons, it will better prepare you to make a lesson on your own. Participants will begin designing their own lesson plan from beginning to end using the slides and tools in Notebook software. Participants will present their project in class using the SMART Board. This back-to-basics class is geared for beginners and others who would like a good review of the basic tools and how to use them. *Bring a flash drive to collect and share files for each session.*

Registration fee: \$60 Out-of-District fee: \$120

One (1) Graduate Credit Hour will be available at the cost of **\$140** through The University of Akron or **\$140** through Ashland University on the first day of class. 15 CEHs will be available at no charge.

Level: **Basic** Audience: **All Staff** Topic: **Technology** Hours: **15.00** College Credit: **Univ. of Akron/Ashland Univ.**

Section: 11-Fall Presenter(s): **SKELLY** Register by: **10/07/2011** Enrollment Limit: **15**

Meets on these dates:

1	10/15/2011	8:00 AM	3:30 PM	PROFESSIONAL	Computer Lab
2	10/22/2011	8:00 AM	3:30 PM	PROFESSIONAL	Computer Lab



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1352 - SMART Board Beyond Basics

Description: Prerequisite for this class is "SMART Board Back to Basics." *This class is not for beginners. You must have a working knowledge of SMART Notebook software.* In this class, training will include many facets of hands-on learning and best teaching practices across the curriculum. Build applications step-by-step by following along with instructor-lead and professionally produced video tutorials designed to support every step of the way to building advanced Notebook applications. Participants will learn some "tricks" of the SMART Board and create interactive lessons that can be used over and over. We will be creating recordings on the SMART Board for playback and finding out how to use the video player that comes with the SMART Board. We will also learn how to attach audio files to objects, embed videos to create interactive and engaging lessons, and how to save frequently used items to the "My Content" folder in the Gallery. We will also be spending a great deal of time in the Lesson Activity Toolkit. (The Lesson Activity Toolkit is a Gallery collection of customizable tools and templates, including activities, games, and graphics that you can use to create professional-looking, interactive, and engaging lessons.) Participants will begin designing their own lesson plan from beginning to end using the slides and the advanced tools (embedding videos, audio, recordings, and the templates in the Toolkit) in Notebook software. Participants will present their project in class using the SMART Board. *Bring a flash drive to collect and share files for each session.*

Registration fee: **\$60** Out-of-District fee: **\$120**

One (1) Graduate Credit Hour will be available at the cost of **\$140** through The University of Akron or **\$140** through Ashland University on the first day of class. 15 CEHs will be available at no charge.

Level: **Intermediate** Audience: **All Staff** Topic: **Technology** Hours: **15.00** College Credit: **Univ. of Akron/Ashland Univ.**

Section: 11-Fall Presenter(s): **SKELLY** Register by: **10/21/2011** Enrollment Limit: **15**

Meets on these dates:

1	10/29/2011	8:00 AM	3:30 PM	PROFESSIONAL	Computer Lab
2	11/05/2011	8:00 AM	3:30 PM	PROFESSIONAL	Computer Lab



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1353 - SMART Board Back to Basics

Description: Learn how to use the Notebook software by building authentic learning applications ready to use inside the classroom. Build applications step-by-step by following along with instructor-lead and professionally produced video tutorials designed to support every step of the way to building Notebook applications. THIS IS A HANDS-ON WORKSHOP! Teachers will be actively engaged as they work through the different activities: orient the board, become familiar with the SMART Board toolbar, group two or more objects, lock objects, clone a page, clone an item, hyperlink, screen capture, attach files, navigate to another page, create shapes, and more. Participants will make their own lesson structure, first by searching for pre-made lesson ideas already available. (Web sites will be given to the class.) *Lessons must be interactive.* Download several lesson plans, then modify them to fit into your curriculum. Once you have seen a number of lessons, it will better prepare you to make a lesson on your own. Participants will begin designing their own lesson plan from beginning to end using the slides and tools in Notebook software. Participants will present their project in class using the SMART Board. This back-to-basics class is geared for beginners and others who would like a good review of the basic tools and how to use them. *Bring a flash drive to collect and share files for each session.*

Registration fee: \$60 Out-of-District fee: \$120

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Level: **Basic** Audience: **All Staff** Topic: **Technology** Hours: **15.00** College Credit: **Univ. of Akron/Ashland Univ.**

Section: 12-Winter Presenter(s): **SKELLY** Register by: **01/27/2012** Enrollment Limit: **15**

Meets on these dates:

1	02/04/2012	8:00 AM	3:30 PM	PROFESSIONAL	Computer Lab
2	02/11/2012	8:00 AM	3:30 PM	PROFESSIONAL	Computer Lab



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1354 - SMART Board Beyond Basics

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Registration fee: **\$60** Out-of-District fee: **\$120**

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Level: **Intermediate** Audience: **All Staff** Topic: **Technology** Hours: **15.00** College Credit: **Univ. of Akron/Ashland Univ.**

Section: 12-Winter Presenter(s): **SKELLY** Register by: **02/10/2012** Enrollment Limit: **15**

Meets on these dates:

1	02/18/2012	8:00 AM	3:30 PM	PROFESSIONAL	Computer Lab
2	02/25/2012	8:00 AM	3:30 PM	PROFESSIONAL	Computer Lab



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1355 - Going Google: Using Google to Create a Classroom Web Site

Description: This workshop is designed for participants who desire their own classroom Web site, but don't know where to begin. Using free Google products and cloud computing, participants will create a practical Web site for student, parent, and teacher use. By creating a Gmail account and first learning about Google Docs, participants will gain knowledge of the building blocks required for creating a Google Site. They will engage in exercises and activities to assist them in learning how to go Google. Next, participants will begin the process of creating their own individual site by using Google Sites. There will be an active demonstration on how to more effectively search the Internet for items such as clip art as well as how to insert images, videos, attachments, and links into one's Web site. While not necessary, it is recommended that before attending the workshop, participants should have a general idea of what they would like to include in their classroom Web site and bring along any electronic documents, images, or resources they would like to post to a Web site. Participants will have time to generate new ideas for the content of their Web site as well as view sample sites created in Google Sites. Upon culmination of the workshop, participants will have a live, up and running Web site that they will be able to implement into their classrooms to better service their learners.

Registration fee: \$60 Out-of-District fee: \$120

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Level: **Basic** Audience: **Teachers K-12** Topic: **Technology** Hours: **15.00** College Credit: **Univ. of Akron/Ashland Univ.**

Section: 11-Fall Presenter(s): **SCOATES** Register by: **10/11/2011** Enrollment Limit: **15**

Meets on these dates:

1	10/18/2011	4:30 PM	8:00 PM	PROFESSIONAL	Computer Lab
2	10/20/2011	4:30 PM	8:00 PM	PROFESSIONAL	Computer Lab
3	10/25/2011	4:30 PM	8:00 PM	PROFESSIONAL	Computer Lab
4	10/27/2011	4:30 PM	8:00 PM	PROFESSIONAL	Computer Lab



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1356 - Going Google: Using Google to Create a Classroom Web Site

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One (1) Graduate Credit Hour will be available at the cost of **\$140** through The University of Akron or **\$140** through Ashland University on the first day of class. 15 CEHs will be available at no charge.

Level: **Basic** Audience: **Teachers K-12** Topic: **Technology** Hours: **15.00** College Credit: **Univ. of Akron/Ashland Univ.**

Section: 12-Winter Presenter(s): **SCOATES** Register by: **02/29/2012** Enrollment Limit: **15**

Meets on these dates:

1	03/07/2012	4:30 PM	8:00 PM	PROFESSIONAL	Computer Lab
2	03/08/2012	4:30 PM	8:00 PM	PROFESSIONAL	Computer Lab
3	03/13/2012	4:30 PM	8:00 PM	PROFESSIONAL	Computer Lab
4	03/15/2012	4:30 PM	8:00 PM	PROFESSIONAL	Computer Lab



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Technology

1357 - Technology Tools for Today's Teacher

Description: This class will overview popular and FREE tools that can aid teachers in the classroom using technology. Topics include collaborative teaching tools, creating and presenting Pod / Vodcasts, video editing for enhanced presentations, creating your own teacher Web site, file and information sharing with students, as well as spreadsheet use in the classroom for teachers and students. Participants will be able to take several ideas immediately back to the classroom to implement. Do you want to share information, lesson plans, presentations, and general classroom policies online? Do you want to support student learning needs from home? This class will overview some powerful online tools to help execute your instructional goals all from your own teaching Web site.

Registration fee: \$60 Out-of-District fee: \$120

One (1) Graduate Credit Hour will be available at the cost of **\$140** through The University of Akron or **\$140** through Ashland University on the first day of class. 15 CEHs will be available at no charge.

Level: **Basic** Audience: **All Staff** Topic: **Technology** Hours: **15.00** College Credit: **Univ. of Akron/Ashland Univ.**

Section: 11-Fall Presenter(s): **GMATHEOU** Register by: **10/25/2011** Enrollment Limit: **15**

Meets on these dates:

Session	Date	Start Time	End Time	Level	Location
1	11/01/2011	4:00 PM	7:30 PM	PROFESSIONAL	Computer Lab
2	11/03/2011	4:00 PM	7:30 PM	PROFESSIONAL	Computer Lab
3	11/08/2011	4:00 PM	7:30 PM	PROFESSIONAL	Computer Lab
4	11/10/2011	4:00 PM	7:30 PM	PROFESSIONAL	Computer Lab

1360 - "Smart" Ways to Use Interactive Boards in Elementary Classrooms

Description: This class will help teachers understand how easy it is to incorporate interactive (SMART Board) lessons into an elementary classroom. Learn how you can use an interactive board to start your morning meeting, reading lessons, math (Everyday Math) lessons, and review games.

Registration fee: \$60 Out-of-District fee: \$120

One (1) Graduate Credit Hour will be available at the cost of **\$140** through The University of Akron or **\$140** through Ashland University on the first day of class. 15 CEHs will be available at no charge.

Level: **Basic** Audience: **Teachers K-3** Topic: **Technology** Hours: **15.00** College Credit: **Univ. of Akron/Ashland Univ.**

Section: 12-Winter Presenter(s): **CCAMILLETTI** Register by: **03/09/2012** Enrollment Limit: **15**

Meets on these dates:

Session	Date	Start Time	End Time	Level	Location
1	03/17/2012	8:30 AM	4:00 PM	PROFESSIONAL	Computer Lab
2	03/24/2012	8:30 AM	4:00 PM	PROFESSIONAL	Computer Lab



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Technology

1361 - Introductory Microsoft Excel Concepts and Projects

Description: This class will focus on the introductory concepts of Microsoft Excel. Participants will begin with several independent tutorials to illustrate fundamental concepts. Participants will also choose a project to apply the concepts learned to their specific needs (i.e. teachers may choose a project related to classroom management, grade reporting, student progress, etc.) Topics include: terminology, calculations within worksheets, formulas, functions, graphs & charts, and formatting worksheets. No prior experience of Excel is required!

Registration fee: \$60 Out-of-District fee: \$120

Book fee: To Be Determined

One (1) Graduate Credit Hour will be available at the cost of **\$140** through The University of Akron or **\$140** through Ashland University on the first day of class. 15 CEHs will be available at no charge.

Level: **Basic** Audience: **All Staff** Topic: **Technology** Hours: **15.00** College Credit: **Univ. of Akron/Ashland Univ.**

Section: 11-Fall Presenter(s): **GMATHEOU** Register by: **10/31/2011** Enrollment Limit: **15**

Meets on these dates:

1	11/14/2011	4:00 PM	7:30 PM	PROFESSIONAL	Computer Lab
2	11/16/2011	4:00 PM	7:30 PM	PROFESSIONAL	Computer Lab
3	11/18/2011	4:00 PM	7:30 PM	PROFESSIONAL	Computer Lab
4	11/21/2011	4:00 PM	7:30 PM	PROFESSIONAL	Computer Lab

1362 - Introductory Microsoft Access Concepts and Projects

Description: This class will focus on the introductory concepts of Microsoft Access. Participants will begin with several independent tutorials to illustrate fundamental concepts. Participants will also choose a project to apply the concepts learned to their specific needs (i.e. teachers may choose a project related to: classroom management, custom grade reporting, statistical tracking, etc.) Topics include: terminology, database design, table & query structure, creating queries & reports, sorting, and joining tables. No prior experience in Access is required!

Registration fee: \$60 Out-of-District fee: \$120

Book fee: To Be Determined

One (1) Graduate Credit Hour will be available at the cost of **\$140** through The University of Akron or **\$140** through Ashland University on the first day of class. 15 CEHs will be available at no charge.

Level: **Basic** Audience: **All Staff** Topic: **Technology** Hours: **15.00** College Credit: **Univ. of Akron/Ashland Univ.**

Section: 11-Fall Presenter(s): **GMATHEOU** Register by: **11/15/2011** Enrollment Limit: **15**

Meets on these dates:

1	11/29/2011	4:00 PM	7:30 PM	PROFESSIONAL	Computer Lab
2	12/01/2011	4:00 PM	7:30 PM	PROFESSIONAL	Computer Lab
3	12/06/2011	4:00 PM	7:30 PM	PROFESSIONAL	Computer Lab
4	12/08/2011	4:00 PM	7:30 PM	PROFESSIONAL	Computer Lab