Overview

Leadership of Curriculum Design and Instruction prepares candidates to evaluate and implement curricular programs and instructional methods observed at the school level. Candidates focus on the knowledge and skills needed to develop, align, and implement cohesive systems of curriculum, instruction, and assessment. Importance is placed on responding to student needs, embodying high expectations for student learning, aligning with academic standards within and across grade levels, and promoting students’ academic success and social and emotional well-being. This course also covers the selection and use of appropriate technologies to monitor student progress and improve instruction support for assessment, data collection, management, and analysis. Candidates are prepared to build a professional culture of trust and collaboration to ensure they are able to work with school personnel in creating curricular programs and instructional methods that are engaging and challenging and relevant to student needs, experiences, and interests. This course is designed to be taken after successful completion of D017: School Law.

Competencies

- **Readiness**
  This competency exists to assess the readiness of students.

- **Advancing Assessment Practices**
  The graduate uses data from culturally responsive and accessible formative and summative assessments to improve instruction and student learning and well-being.

- **Advancing Instructional Practices**
  The graduate advances the quality and effectiveness of academic and non-academic instructional practices, resources, technologies, and services to support equitable access to learning for each student.

- **Implementing and Aligning the Curriculum**
  The graduate implements and aligns the curriculum to ensure achievement of expected learning outcomes.

- **Designing, Evaluating, and Improving Curricula**
  The graduate evaluates curricula and recommends improvements that will ensure academic and non-academic programs are high-quality, technology-rich, and coherent.

Learning

- **Getting Started**
Welcome to Leadership of Curriculum Design and Instruction! In this course, you will acquire competency in the knowledge and skills you need to develop, align, and implement cohesive systems of curriculum, instruction, and assessment. To complete this course, you will work through the materials and activities as presented. This course is delivered in WGU’s module-based learning platform, which includes textbook access, videos, and a variety of other interactive learning components. We encourage you to engage in the interactive components (e.g., questions and quizzes) to remember and practice what you are learning. You will demonstrate your competency by completing a performance assessment.