Online Teaching: Fundamentals of Instruction is an online class that focuses on the principles and best practices of successful online teaching on any platform. Participants practice specific communication skills, how to manage feedback appropriately, and analyze and how to solve common problems. Through class activities, collaboration with colleagues, and dedicated coaching from the course instructor, participants will gain the necessary skills to nurture a reflective online learning community.

**MODULE 1: PREPARING TO TEACH THE COURSE**
- Expectations and Roles
- Security and Legal
- Technical
- Communication Plan
- Tone and Voice

**MODULE 2: COMMUNICATING WITH STUDENTS**
- Keep it Positive
- Supporting Statements
- Empathy Statements
- Approval Statements
- Neutral Correction

**MODULE 3: ENRICHING ONLINE DISCUSSIONS**
- Diagnosing discussions and deepening the dialogue
- Problem solving approaches
- Wrapping and Weaving

**MODULE 4: DEVELOPING A LEARNING COMMUNITY**
- Community Building: 1st Steps
- Community Building: Ongoing
- Collaboration Tools and Tips
- Next Steps

**COURSE DURATION:**
Eight weeks total, approximately six hours per week.

**AUDIENCE:**
K-12 Teachers

**FORMAT:**
Four two-week online modules. Each module includes one week of self-paced and one week of collaborative instruction. The collaborative sessions are fully facilitated.

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