



**With Great Teaching,  
Students Succeed.**

**ACUE**  Association of College  
and University Educators

In collaboration with

**ACE**<sup>®</sup> American  
Council on  
Education<sup>®</sup>

## The key to student success? Great teaching.

The call is unequivocal. We must—and can—graduate more students prepared for rewarding careers, engaged citizenship, and purposeful lives.

Faculty members have a singular impact. Together with ACUE, colleges and universities are providing their educators with comprehensive support and their students with an extraordinary education.

## Courses

ACUE's courses prepare faculty in the teaching essentials that improve student achievement. Courses are offered online, certified by **Quality Matters**, and equivalent to three hours of graduate credit. Faculty work together in cohorts and receive expert facilitation.



Faculty learn about and implement practices that address:

- Foundations of effective instruction
- Online teaching essentials
- Career readiness and 21st-century skills
- Civic and service learning
- Inclusive learning environments
- Course and class design
- Active learning techniques
- Higher order thinking and learning
- Formative and summative assessment

## Credentials

ACUE's certificates are awarded in collaboration with the American Council on Education (ACE) to faculty who demonstrate a commitment to excellence in teaching.



## Community

Teaching is both a science and an art. Members of ACUE's Community of Professional Practice receive information and ongoing support to refine their craft and stay current on research.



## Participating colleges and universities include:



## Analytics

ACUE's tracks real-time changes in instruction and in student outcomes. Metrics include:

1. Faculty engagement
2. Faculty learning
3. Faculty implementation
4. Student engagement
5. Student academics
6. Retention and graduation rates

**93%**

*Students gave ACUE-credentialed faculty stronger evaluations.*

## Services



**Academic support:** Program design and implementation support



**Assessment:** Evaluation of course-taker assignments



**Accountability:** Analytics to track progress and assess impact on faculty and students



**Teaching center collaboration:** Ongoing work with campus teaching center to expand impact



**Facilitator training:** Onboarding and continuous support to course facilitators



**Recruitment:** Faculty recruitment and enrollment support, on-site course launches



**Recognition:** Issuance of digital badges and certificate for completing modules and courses



**Secure course access:** Course access through a private LMS instance

## Partnerships

### Strategic adoptions

Multi-year collaborations enable partner institutions to enroll and credential an unlimited number of educators to ensure that all students benefit from evidence-based instruction.

### Focused adoptions

Single-year collaborations address specific needs such as strengthening STEM, reimagining the first year, implementing high-impact practices, or focusing support to new or adjunct professors.



West Virginia University



The University of Texas at El Paso



Sacred Heart University



Naugatuck Valley Community College



Crown College



University of the District of Columbia



Connecticut State Colleges and Universities



Donnelly College



The Council of Independent Colleges



University of Central Missouri



West Virginia Wesleyan College



Park University



Colorado State University



Eastern Maine Community College



Goucher College



Broward College



California State University, Los Angeles



The University of Southern Mississippi



Delta State University



University of Arkansas-Pulaski Technical College



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## ACUE's Effective Practice Framework®

The Framework is an independently validated statement of teaching competencies that every college educator should possess. ACUE's courses recommend over 200 evidence-based practices aligned to the Framework, equipping faculty with a comprehensive foundation of teaching essentials.

### 1. Designing an Effective Course and Class

- Establishing Powerful Learning Outcomes
- Aligning Assessments With Course Outcomes
- Aligning Activities and Assignments With Course Outcomes
- Preparing an Effective Syllabus
- Planning an Effective Class Session

### 2. Establishing a Productive Learning Environment

- Leading the First Day of Class
- Promoting a Civil Learning Environment
- Connecting With Your Students
- Motivating Your Students
- Engaging Underprepared Students
- Helping Students Persist in Their Studies
- Embracing Diversity in Your Classroom

### 3. Using Active Learning Techniques

- Using Active Learning Techniques in Small Groups
- Using Active Learning Techniques in Large Classes
- Delivering an Effective Lecture
- Planning Effective Class Discussions
- Facilitating Engaging Class Discussions
- Integrating Civic Learning Into Your Course

### 4. Promoting Higher Order Thinking

- Providing Clear Directions and Explanations
- Using Concept Maps and Other Visualization Tools
- Teaching Powerful Note-Taking Skills
- Using Advanced Questioning Techniques
- Developing Self-Directed Learners

### 5. Assessing to Inform Instruction and Promote Learning

- Developing Fair, Consistent, and Transparent Grading Practices
- Developing and Using Rubrics and Checklists
- Providing Useful Feedback
- Checking for Student Understanding
- Using Student Achievement and Feedback to Improve Your Teaching

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