

# Institutional Microcredential Courses

## Effective Teaching Practices

In collaboration with our institutional partners, ACUE offers shorter, microcredential options in effective teaching practices and effective online teaching practices. Faculty who complete all microcredentials earn the full ACUE Certificate in Effective College Instruction, endorsed by the American Council on Education (ACE). ACUE-credentialed faculty can return to complete microcredentials to earn an Advanced Certificate in Effective College Instruction.

### Creating an Inclusive and Supportive Learning Environment

- ▶ Leading the First Day of Class
- ▶ Promoting a Civil Learning Environment
- ▶ Engaging Underprepared Students
- ▶ Helping Students Persist in Their Studies
- ▶ Embracing the Diversity in Your Classroom
- ▶ Checking for Student Understanding
- ▶ Providing Useful Feedback



### Promoting Active Learning

- ▶ Developing Effective Class Sessions and Lectures
- ▶ Teaching Powerful Note-taking Skills
- ▶ Using Groups to Ensure Active Learning
- ▶ Using the Active Learning Cycle
- ▶ Planning Effective Class Discussions
- ▶ Facilitating Engaging Class Discussions



### Inspiring Inquiry and Preparing Lifelong Learners

- ▶ Motivating Your Students
- ▶ Providing Clear Directions and Explanations
- ▶ Using Concept Maps and Other Visualization Tools
- ▶ Using Student Achievement and Feedback to Improve Your Teaching
- ▶ Using Advanced Questioning Techniques
- ▶ Developing Self-Directed Learners



### Designing Student-Centered Courses

- ▶ Establishing Powerful Learning Outcomes
- ▶ Aligning Assessments with Course Outcomes
- ▶ Aligning Activities and Assignments with Course Outcomes
- ▶ Developing Fair, Consistent, and Transparent Grading Practices
- ▶ Developing and Using Rubrics and Checklists
- ▶ Preparing an Effective Syllabus

