## **Basic Principles and Best Practices in E-Learning Checklist**



Course and Lesson Structure	<ul> <li>Course is organized for a scheduled timeframe</li> <li>Course includes a required syllabus</li> <li>Students are introduced to the purpose and structure of the course</li> <li>Instructor starts with a welcome and introduction to the course (video encouraged)</li> <li>Each lesson/module contains measurable learning objectives</li> <li>Learning objectives are appropriate to the course level</li> </ul>
Methods of Instruction	<ul> <li>Ensure appropriate technologies are used to convey course content and facilitate interaction for all learners</li> <li>Focus is on active learning – including a mix of video, collaborative assignments, discussion, hands-on exercises, chat, and peer review</li> <li>Information presented is broken into 10 minute or less 'chunks' of information</li> <li>Emphasis is on quality of your instructional materials and assignments over the quantity!</li> <li>Communicate to students when there are opportunities for feedback (set times for office hours and feedback)</li> </ul>



Instructional Materials	<ul> <li>Materials include engaging visuals</li> <li>Standard templates are used for each lesson</li> <li>Class materials and homework contribute to the stated course learning objectives</li> <li>Assignments and assessments are varied in format</li> <li>Materials are appropriately cited and are compliant with copyright, if applicable</li> </ul>
Accessibility of Materials	<ul> <li>Course provides a variety of materials to meet needs of diverse learners</li> <li>Learning Management System classroom is easy to use and navigate</li> </ul>

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Class activities	<ul> <li>Learning activities are structured to contribute to the stated course learning objectives</li> <li>Activities are appropriate to the subject and grade level</li> <li>Activities are engaging and provide opportunity for interaction</li> </ul>
Student Engagement	<ul> <li>Materials are relevant to real-world application</li> <li>Student feels supported by instructor to learn the material (beyond reason of passing an exam)</li> <li>Instructor encourages student engagement by including peer review, and using students' questions to open class or spur discussion</li> <li>Collaborative assignments spark curiosity and critical thinking</li> </ul>



Assessment & Evaluation	<ul> <li>Course grading policy is communicated at the beginning of the course</li> <li>Assessments measure the course learning objectives</li> <li>Assessments are varied with multiple ways to measure student progress</li> <li>Instructor response time for feedback on assignments is clearly and professionally communicated to students</li> </ul>
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