

Sessional staff PD

Professional development opportunities for sessional staff

As a sessional staff member, you may be new to teaching or may have worked at other universities. Outside of paid activities, you may not have had the opportunity to attend many professional development workshops. You likely value and enjoy keeping up with developments in your field and in teaching generally, so you may prefer self-paced, online professional development whenever it is offered for sessional staff.

The selected professional development opportunities outlined below cater for sessional staff with a range of experiences and teaching roles.

Professional development for teaching			
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Learning and Teaching Staff Induction Module	Get the run down on all the important learning and teaching things you need to know when you first commence at Macquarie.	Required for all learning and teaching staff new to MQ	35 minutes Access via Workday
Academic Integrity Module for Staff (Foundational)	An overview of academic integrity for MQ teaching staff.	Required for all learning and teaching staff new to MQ	45 minutes Access via Workday
Teaching in iLearn for Tutors	An overview of iLearn covering how to access student work online (such as online assignments or quizzes), use forums and make announcements. Available as a facilitated on-campus workshop or a self-paced online module.	Ideal for casual academic tutors or teaching assistants who are not responsible for building or editing content in iLearn but need to access student work.	40 minutes Access module via Workday Register for the facilitated workshop on 21 February
Marking and giving feedback	A short Q&A activity to help staff marking and giving feedback for the first time.	For staff new to marking and giving feedback or anyone wanting a refresher on good practice.	5-minute activity Access here
Active learning module 1	The basics of implementing active learning in your classroom. Popular low stakes techniques, key literature findings and practical tips on using MQ-supported technologies.	For anyone interested in active learning techniques.	45 minutes Access via iLearn
Beginning to Teach Program	Designed to develop teaching capability for teaching at a university. Includes an opportunity to plan, facilitate and evaluate a short ('micro') teaching session and receive peer feedback. Next offered April 2023	For those who are new to teaching, new to university teaching, or have a couple of sessions of university teaching under their belt.	Total 12 hours participation (includes 4 x 90 minute facilitated Zoom sessions) Register here

Zoom for teaching module	Learn how to set up and work with-and in-Zoom for learning and teaching. Practical tips and techniques, using basic Zoom functions, recommended set-up options, tweaking default options and how to make your Zoom sessions more interactive and engaging.	For anyone who will be teaching online using Zoom.	45 minutes Access via iLearn
iLearn basics for Unit Convenors	An introduction to the basic features of iLearn. Available as a facilitated on-campus workshop or a self-paced online module.	For new Unit Convenors	90 minutes Access module here OR Register for the facilitated workshop on 14 February
Teaching in 1CC Central courtyard building	Read the '1CC Complete Guide' for helpful information about getting set up to teach and using the technology in 1CC learning spaces. OR attend a hands-on workshop in February.	For anyone teaching in 1CC.	1CC Complete Guide to using the technology Hands-on workshops in 1CC
Teaching your first class	Calm your nerves about teaching your first class with this checklist to help you prepare	For anyone about to teach their first class at a university	Download the pdf checklist

FIND AND ACCESS ALL PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT IN ONE PLACE

Go to this link for a complete list of all the centrally offered professional development for teaching:

<https://teche.mq.edu.au/2022/01/make-teaching-development-part-of-your-game-plan/>

Note that there are additional face-to-face and other facilitated workshops that are offered at the beginning of session 1 and session 2. These are advertised on the learning and teaching blog events page (called TECHE).

See <https://teche.mq.edu.au/events/>

SUBSCRIBE TO THE LEARNING AND TEACHING BLOG TO KEEP UP TO DATE

TECHE is a blog for the Macquarie learning and teaching community and aims to recognise, share and celebrate good practice in learning and teaching. Subscribe to the fortnightly email that includes highlights from the blog plus details of events and workshops.

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