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Moodle Training Courses

We are offering six FREE online Moodle training courses this fall. We offer Professional Growth Plan (PGP) points for each course.

Basic Moodle for Teachers (10 PGP Points)

A basic introduction to the Moodle LMS. You will learn how to build a classroom course and populate it with files, assignments, and quizzes.

Dates: Ongoing - Register any time!

Intermediate Moodle for Teachers (10 PGP Points)

A continuation from the Basic Moodle for Teachers course. Choose this course if you already have Moodle experience and would like to learn how to use some of the more advanced features like wikis, databases, lessons, and RSS feeds.

Dates: Ongoing - Register any time!

Advanced Moodle for Teachers (10 PGP Points)

A continuation from the Intermediate Moodle for Teachers course. This course will take the Intermediate level course a step further as participants learn advanced grade book features, groups and groupings, conditional activities, and the workshop activity module.

Dates: Ongoing - Register any time!

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Crash Course Activities and Resources for Moodle (8 PGP Points)

This course focuses on learning how to use the Moodle activities and resources to develop quality lessons for students on the online Moodle platform. Teachers will learn how to grade assignments and other activities more efficiently and provide feedback to students in a secure online environment.

Dates: Ongoing - Register any time!

Crash Course on Gradebook & Grading for Moodle (8 PGP Points)

This course focuses on learning how to use the Moodle grade book. Teachers will learn how to add, edit, and update grade items in addition to advanced grade book topics.

Dates: Ongoing - Register any time!

Crash Course on Quiz Question Types for Moodle (8 PGP Points)

This course focuses on learning how to create and use the various Moodle quiz question types.

Dates: Ongoing - Register any time!

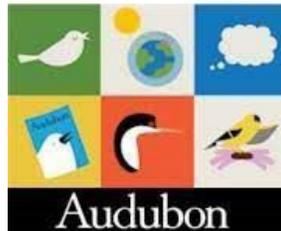
If you would like to register for a course, please log in to the [PRISM website](#) and click the 'Event Registration' link in the Main Menu on the left. Use the drop-down menu to select the appropriate course. You will see a complete description of the course. To sign up, scroll down, enter your information, and click the 'Submit Registration' button.

Resources for Teachers



Lesson Planet was founded by educators for educators. Lesson Planet creates and delivers innovative digital tools and high-quality educational resources for teachers. These resources help to personalize student learning and inspire great teaching. Included in Lesson Planet resources are many free and open educational resources. There are over 550,000 teacher-curated reviews of free and open education resources. Teachers can design and organize personalized, standards-based curriculum with the a drag-and-drop curriculum manage tool. Teachers can also create playlists of resources using a unique collection builder for resources used continuously through time. Lesson Plan has a comprehensive online EdTech professional development program for schools and districts. Educators earn digital badges that certify knowledge, skill, and experience with the option to earn university credit.sdfs

For more information: <https://www.lessonplanet.com/>



Audubon for Kids is designed just for kids. It is a well known fact that the mission of the National Audubon Society is to protect birds and the places they need, today and tomorrow, throughout the Americas using science, advocacy, education, and on-the-ground conservation. Audobon for Kids are resources put together to foster kids learning to learn about birds and specifically to learn to name and identify bird species. Coloring sheets and step-by-step drawing activities inspire kids to learn about different species of birds. Key concepts about birds are presented so that kids can learn and build their knowledge about birds and particularly the main characteristics of many birds. Kids are also able to learn about the migratory habits of birds, where and why they migrate. Students are engaged in learning using interactive games learning about the migration stories of five different species of birds. Audubon for Kids is a great resource for both teachers and parents to be used in the classroom or at-home learning with families.

For more information: <https://www.audubon.org/get-outside/activities/audubon-for-kids>

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Share My Lesson. Website created for educators across the United States by the American Federation of Teachers. Share My Lesson is a community of K-12 teachers, other educators, along higher education faculty, parents and caregivers. Members of this community can contribute content, collaborate, and stay up to date on the issues that matter to students and educators everywhere. Since 2012, The Share My Lesson team has been committed to providing community members with high-quality and effective lesson plans and professional development resources. As of 2021, Share My Lesson has 1.8 million members and more than 420,000 resources (geared to toddlers through higher education), which have been downloaded more than 15 million times.

For more information: <https://sharemylesson.com/>



ClassDojo. This app connects teachers with not only their students but with their families to create incredible communities of learning. Teachers are building positive cultures by encouraging students to work hard, be good citizens and do their best everyday and showing this to the ClassDojo community they have built. Students get to showcase their work, their projects and what they take pride in to their classroom community. Exciting class moments can be shared with parents and parents can be an integral part of the classroom experiences. Photos, videos, other files and announcements can be readily shared through ClassDojo. Teachers, school leaders, and families can partner on ClassDojo and create incredible school communities. The uses of ClassDojo are virtually limitless!

For more information: <https://www.classdojo.com/>

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DragonBox is part of the Kahoot Family of apps. The DragonBox Method is a unique approach that uses motivation-based learning techniques to give children a deeper understanding of how and why things work. DragonBox apps engage students and build motivation. Students learn through exploration and discovery as they are engaged on the apps. The DragonBox difference is that their education games are designed with teachers, parents, and children in mind. Every app is created to address specific challenges that children have in math learning and is meant to take the pain out of the process for all.

For more information: <https://dragonbox.com/>



Inventioners is an outstanding educational app for learning about real-time physics and the science behind different natural phenomena. In the Inventioners game, students can create their own crazy, fun inventions! With the help of the Inventioners, our tiny helpers with unique characteristics, students can invent fun, creative, and often very unique, interesting and perhaps strange inventions. It is a particularly great resource to integrate into units on forces and motion. Students can work in teams and collaborate on their inventions. They will also be able to share their inventions as they work and develop it.

For more information: [Apple App Store](#), [Google Play](#)

Professional Development for Teachers

HASTI 2021 Annual Conference
February 13 - 15, 2022
Marriott East - Indianapolis
Exhibit Hall

The HASTI Conference committee is working hard on the details of the upcoming conference in February. Many events are being planned to celebrate the 50th! Many science teachers and other science education professionals will be receiving an invitation to exhibit and present at the conference. Some significant changes have been made that the HASTI conference committee believes will enhance the overall experience for attendees at the annual conference.

1. New location: Marriott East Indianapolis (7202 East 21st Street, Indianapolis, IN).
2. Lower booth rentals – HASTI will not be using a vendor to set up exhibit tables. The Marriott has tables that will be provided.
3. Additional sponsorships are available: 50th anniversary and awards celebrations (Sunday evening), Science Olympiad (Monday evening), conference bags, lanyards, etc.
4. Additional media links through Whova (Conference program book).

For more information: <https://hasti.org/event-4522730>

What PRISM Can Do For You!

- Easily find the perfect teaching and learning resources from our library of over 5,000.
- Save a list of your favorite resources for quick retrieval.
- Create and share lesson plans that teach your subjects utilizing your favorite resources.
- Develop online classrooms with interactive assignments, lessons, quizzes and more!
- Store your classroom materials online so that they are available to you from any computer.
- Reach your students more effectively by using web media for the digital age.
- Earn PGP points by completing PRISM led online Moodle course – either Beginning Moodle or Intermediate Moodle courses are available to you at no cost several times throughout the year.
- Select from free learning resources that emphasize visualization, rich context, staged-problem solving, and electronically enabled collaboration / communication.
- Augment your own dynamic presence in the classroom with teaching tools that mirror the skills needed for success in higher education and the 21st Century workplace.

*Through our strong support from the **Lilly Endowment** and others, we are constantly growing and improving. Check our site regularly to see what new resources you can use in your classroom.*

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