



University Extension
Professional Studies

TEACH TOMORROW'S LEADERS

Specialized Study Program in Civic Education for the Digital Age



Every new generation of people should, ideally, leave our world in a better place than they found it. To do that, our youth must understand their role in, and responsibility to, their communities, from the local to the national, so that they can learn to think for themselves and make informed decisions. That's where you come in. Learn fundamental concepts related to democratic education, understand the challenges in our democracy through research, and hone that understanding with a focus on the digital sphere's impact.

The barrage of information in the digital age, and the political ferocity in today's climate, can be difficult to sort through, especially for youth. The digital revolution has transformed fundamentally important aspects of our democracy. These changes necessitate changes in civic education. If youth are to be prepared to deal with the challenges and tap into the opportunities afforded in our digital age, all youth will need access to high-quality civic media literacy education.

WHAT YOU'LL LEARN

Classic approaches to understanding democracy and civic learning

How the rise of digital media challenges these approaches

Methods to transform civic learning and integrate it across the curriculum

The importance of digital literacy among youth and ways to demonstrate application



TOTAL UNITS
8



TUITION
\$1,365



COMPLETION TIME
6 months



FORMAT
Online



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BENEFITS OF EARNING A CERTIFICATE

There are several reasons why, Bachelor's degree in hand, you might be considering continuing your studies. An upgraded education section on your resume can open the door to a new career, or, if you're already working, lead to a promotion and a higher salary. While you're working, going back to school is an excellent way to stay current in rapidly changing fields, or, if you've been away from the workforce for a while, to quickly get caught up in the latest trends, concepts, and advances.

While there are as many paths to follow, as there are reasons to follow them when approaching continuing education, there is enormous value in terms of time, financial investment, and personal flexibility while gaining practical training from working professionals in your industry that extends beyond the theory of the classroom and into the real world.

KEY BENEFITS INCLUDE:

- UC quality curriculum
- Professional endorsements
- Schedule flexibility
- Variety of courses and programs
- Instruction from professional leaders in the industry

PAY AS YOU GO



Pay per individual course as you register.

AVERAGE COURSE TUITION
\$545-595 PER (4 UNIT) COURSE

*Learn more about [tuition assistance](#).

CAREER INFORMATION



IN-DEMAND FIELD

Jobs are projected to grow at a rate of 13% over the next 5 years.



STRONG EARNING POTENTIAL

Median Salary **\$83,255**



VARIETY OF JOBS TO CHOOSE FROM

- Classroom Teacher
- Educator



SKILLS FOR SUCCESS

- Critical Thinking
- Time Management
- Judgement and Decision Making



REALITY CHECK. WHAT YOU WILL DO ON THE JOB.

- Establish rules or policies governing student behavior
- Apply multiple teaching methods
- Modify teaching methods or materials to accommodate student needs
- Discuss problems or issues with supervisors, parents or guardians
- Develop Instructional objectives

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STUDY PLAN

Our certificate programs are designed to be flexible, allowing you the option to take just a few courses or earn the complete certificate. If choosing to complete the certificate, we recommend you get the most out of your experience by following the suggested completion path below.

Required Courses		
QUARTER		UNITS
1	Educating for Democracy EDUC X435	4
2	Elective	

Electives		UNITS
Promoting Media Literacy and Youth Civic Engagement EDUC X436		4
Educating for Informed and Equitable Voting EDUC X437		4

ARE YOU READY FOR YOUR NEXT STEP?

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