

Imagine a classroom with students who excel in different subjects, learn at different paces, and have distinct learning styles. How can you, as an educator, design a lesson plan that caters to the individual needs of each student, ensuring no one is left behind? Dive into the world of differentiation and discover the answers that will transform your teaching approach. I'm Megan, and I will be your instructor throughout this course. I have over 15 years of experience in education and a passion for teaching others how to incorporate differentiated instruction into their classrooms.

This course will be a combination of a hybrid and blended model. Participants will complete part one of the course in an asynchronous format. During this part of the course, learners will work at their own pace, on their own time. Learners will be supported by check-ins with instructional coaches and question-and-answer forums. Following completion of this knowledge-gathering portion of the course, learners will participate in face-to-face instruction where they will have the opportunity to watch modeled differentiation strategies as well as showcase learned strategies in their own classrooms, with feedback. There will be multiple sessions and frequent feedback from coaches during this phase. By the end of this course, learners will be able to explain the key principles and purposes of differentiation, assess individual student needs, select appropriate and effective instructional strategies, design lesson plans that incorporate differentiation strategies, and evaluate the effectiveness of differentiated instruction including reflecting and making adjustments on their own teaching practices. After a short introduction of the course and a course overview, participants will progress through an asynchronous informational module where they will learn and read about differentiation. This information will be presented through different formats including articles and videos. Each of the first two modules will have a combination of articles and videos and both will be followed by a discussion board as well as an assessment.

Welcome to Differentiation: How to Get Started. Get ready to transform your teaching and, more importantly, to positively impact the lives of your students. Let's make education an exciting and fulfilling experience for everyone.