

AN INTRODUCTION TO TECHNOLOGY IN ENGLISH LANGUAGE TEACHING

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Course aims

For anyone wishing to develop their knowledge, skills and confidence in using educational technology in any English language teaching context.

Participant teaching experience

The course is for native and non-native speakers (min B2 level) with a minimum of one year's teaching experience, and at least a basic TEFL qualification.

Course cost: US\$ 500

Course dates Flexible

Course delivery: Online via Moodle; Zoom for the webinars

Course participants: min. 12 max. 20

Education technology experience

Little or no education technology experience is required, but word-processing skills are preferred. Access to the internet will be essential via computer or tablet, plus a headset with microphone.

Background of tutor

All PSA tutors are highly qualified and with extensive global experience.

Course details

The course total time is 30 hours:

- 5 x one-hour fortnightly webinars at 15:00 GMT with a PSA teacher trainer
- 3 hours' online work per week, over 8 weeks, using the Moodle platform, plus final course assignment (one hour)

Course content

- Models to help teachers understand the pedagogy of using Educational Technology
- How digital technologies have changed ELT (focus on grammar, vocabulary, four skills and pronunciation)
- Gamification
- Blogs, wikis and Virtual Learning Environments
- Online tools, including forums and chat
- Interactive whiteboards
- Mobile learning with smartphones, tablets and apps
- How to create digital materials
- Constraints and future developments, including augmented reality and adaptive learning
- Final course assignment

Assessment of participants

Participants will be assessed and will receive a pass, merit or distinction.

The assessment is based on submission of coursework and the final assignment.

Certificate

There is a PSA Certificate for all who complete the course.

Materials All participants receive a copy of *Blended Learning – Using Technology in and beyond the language classroom* (Sharma and Barrett) 2007 Macmillan Books for Teachers

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